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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,

Friday, the 6th November 1857.

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B. No. 2359.

From the Actg Secy to Govt.

Read the following Papers.

Extract from the Minutes Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 16th June 1857.

Approving of the views expressed by the Board in regard to the assimilation of the Land and Sea Tariffs for imports and exports between the Madras Territories and Tanjore settlement in this Presidency, and desiring them to draw up and introduce at once the revised Schedule necessary.

(See No. 595 in Separate Volume)

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B. No. 3317.

From the Actg Secy to Govt.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department, under date the 15th August 1857

Communicating their approval of the Govt for assimilating the Sea and Land Tariff in trade with foreign Settlement in the Madras Presidency as well as of the exemption from duty of certain petty articles of Consumption.

(See No. 820 in Separate Volume)

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Bd. No. 3818.

To the Colls. of Rajahmundry, South arcot, Tanjore, and Malabar.

No. 2359 Fr. Govt. 16th June
Inl. Cons. 6th Nov. 1857.
No. 595 R. D.
3317 Fr. Govt. 15th August
Inl. Cons. 6th Nov. 1857.
No. 820 R. D.

No. Ordered that the following letter be sent

The Collector of Rajahmundry.

Sir

The Collectors of certain Maritime Districts having represented that articles exempt from the payment of frontier duty on passing into certain French Settlements by land were being taken thither for export, whereby the collection of Sea Customs at British Ports was injuriously affected it has been determined, under the orders of the Supreme Government, that the Sea and land Tariffs in the trade with foreign settlements shall be assimilated. This measure is not however intended to affect the present arrangement by which duty is levied by the French Government on behalf of the British Government on certain articles imported into the French Territory by the land frontier on their export by sea from that Territory, nor that by which payment of duty is not required on petty articles of consumption. all articles enumerated in the Sea Customs Tariff will be primarily declared liable to duty on their import or export by the land frontier of a foreign settlement, but the actual levy of duty will be confined to such articles only as it may be considered proper to select for duty with reference to the amount of Revenue they yield. The duty on all other articles mentioned in the Schedules will be suspended during the pleasure of Government. The working of this arrangement does not differ from the practice now in force so far as regards articles of ordinary consumption in the respective Territories. the interchanges of which will be carried on uninterruptedly as at present, but it

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will enable Government, at any time to secure their just dues when trade is unnaturally diverted with the view of escaping from the payment of duty.

2. You will be pleased to submit for publication in the Fort St. George Gazette, after approval by Government, the list of articles on which payment of duty is to be enforced. The amount of duty collected on these articles during last year to be separately shewn for the information of the Board.

3. You will not of course take any measures for introducing the Sea Customs schedules at the frontiers till the necessary notification has been made in the Fort St. George Gazette.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, 6th November 1857.

(Signed) C. D. Ellis
Acting Secretary

Bd. No. 4093 From the Ag. Sec. to Government.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department, under date the 17th October 1857.

Forwarding to the Board for report copy of a Memorial addressed to the Honorable Court by one Augee Lubba. (See No. 1067 in separate Volume)

Bd. No. 3811.

Order thereon. Ordered that a copy of the above Extract Minutes Consultation, with one copy of the Memorial be forwarded to the Collector of Tinnevelly with a request that he will report on Augee Lubba's Memorial with as little delay as possible.

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2. A copy of the Board's letter to Government dated 30th March 1840. was forwarded to the Collector of Tinnevelly on the 20th April 1840.

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Bd. No. 4183.

From the Actg. Secy. to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department, under date the 22d. October 1857.

Communicating the observations of Government in regard to the revised establishment proposed for Kurnool in connection with the formation of that province into a new Collectorate and resolving to submit the whole scheme with sundry modifications for the sanction of the Government of India.

(See No. 1080 in Separate Volume)

Bd. No. 3997

Order thereon.- Ordered to be communicated with Copies of the Board's Proceedings to the Officiating Agent at Kurnool and the Collectors of Bellary and Cuddapah.

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To James Duncan, Esqr.
Acting Secretary
Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

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Bd. No. 868.

From the Collr. of Rajahmundry

Sir,

With reference to the endorsement on Petition No. 3230 of 1856, dated the 28th November last, I have the honor to state that the assessment on the land restored to Padapanty Atchootaramanah Curnum of Nuckaravoolah in the Bickavole Talook, has not yet been refunded.- The amount is Rupees 38-11-0 being the assessment on P. 2 F. 4 m. 10 G. of land at R. 3-3-7 per annum for 12 years, or from Fusly 1254 to 1265.-

Rajahmundry District Collectors' Office
Rajahmundry 28th Feby 1857

(Signed) H. Purvis
Collector

Bd. No. 3862.

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From the above it would appear that on the representation of certain parties the Enam attached to

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to Petitioners. Curneekum was measured, and subsequently on the Curnams complaining to the Collector was again measured, the calculation on the latter occasion being based on the standard measure in use in the Village. The excess discovered was in extent P. T. M. 1 - - - 4 the Tarum assessment of which has ever since been paid by Petitioner.

2 The present claim is for restoration of 3 Tooms which Petitioner alleges to be necessary and to have been included by mistake with the excess for which assessment is now charged. A reference to the measurement accounts shows that the extent of excess was after all, entered incorrectly owing to a miscalculation; and that the resumption of P. T. M. 0 - 2 - 4 - 16 and levy of assessment thereon was unfair. This piece of land has accordingly been restored. The Board do not however consider Petitioner entitle to a refund of the Teerwah he has paid upon it, amounting during 12 years

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Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon Petition No. 3230 of 1856.

Petitioner is referred to the Collector who has received the instructions of the Board on the subject of his Petition.

Assessment on land as per Endorsement dated 22nd May 1845 } 28-8-8
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No. 48

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

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Bd. To. 1542
From the Asst Collr
of Masulipatam

Sir,

As doubts as to the validity of the tenure by which land is held, tend to its depreciation when offered for sale, I deem it my duty to report to the Board of Revenue, an opinion current

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current in this District seriously affecting the value of certain land, and in my opinion arising from a mistaken view of the Board's orders, but as the subject is a complicated one, I submit my views on the subject for the consideration of the Board, before promulgating them in the District.

2 The Circular Order Board of Revenue dated 27th July 1848, contains a proclamation which has been understood in this District to imply that no Enams whatsoever are transferrable by sale or Gift or in any way by the present holders.

3 Now it appears to me that this proclamation cospressly referred to Enams without summud and not to Enams, with grants acknowledged valid by Government. Regulation XXXI of 1802, referring as it does to Hookamee tenures, is taken from the Bengal Regulation 19 of 1793, which certainly declared that grants which by its terms, were valid, were transferrable by sale, gift, or otherwise, and though the penalties for

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not registering such a transfer were severe, the Government in Bengal recognized the power of the holders of such Enams to transfer their property. the Madras Regulations however is not so explicit and leaves it doubtful whether this power of transfer was intended in Madras. In Section XI the word "without let or molestation" are used, and the conclusion that these words give the holder of a valid grant, power to sell &c &c is supported by Para 18 of the Extract Minutes of Consultation 22nd May 1848 printed at Page 456 of the Revenue Board Circular Orders, Vol. I, in which the Right Honorable "the "Governor in Council agrees with the "Board that the transfer by sale or otherwise, of such lands (Hookamee) is unobjectionable, so long as the transfer carries "with it the obligation of service to be rendered".

4 I find however in the annals of Indian Administration part 1 Pages 60 and 61, a strong opinion of Sir Thomas Munro against any Enam

Enam being considered as granted in perpetuity, and a very decided order of the Court of Directors which if applicable to this Presidency, would render all Enams strictly hereditary or entailed property and not transferrable in any way to a person of a family different from that named in the grant.-

5- I trust I have sufficiently explained the subject regarding which I solicit the instructions of the Board.- My own opinion is that when Government have directly or indirectly pronounced valid the grant by which an individual holds his land rent free, and that grant is in perpetuity and not for a life or a term of lives, there does exist a right to transfer the land by sale or otherwise which it is but just and right to acknowledge.-

Masulipatam Collrs
Cutcherry 25th April 1857 } (Signed) T. J. Knox,
Acting Collector.

Bd. No. 3789
Proceedings thereon
(206-207)

The Board are not satisfied with the Acting Collector's arguments and think it undesirable to issue any such notification as he proposes, when a general investigation into Enam tenures is in contemplation. The Govt are already embarrassed by bonâ fide purchases of invalid rights the Board apprehend that such a proclamation as the Acting Collector contemplates, might be misunderstood.

2- Parties desirous of purchasing Enams must do so on their own responsibility and satisfy themselves of the vendor's title.-

To

No. 48.

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

(208)

Bd. No. 1954
From the Collector of Cuddapah
+ Together with Copy of a letter from the District Engineer.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith Plan and Estimate Vcs for a Bungalow which the District Engineer proposes to build at Dowvoor, for the consideration of the Board of Revenue.

2- On examining the Plan, it appears to have been prepared after that at Royachoty, which I consider a very bad one, and as I believe Government have laid down that all Bungalows shall be of standard Plan, the present will probably not be sanctioned.- The estimate is very high and a much more convenient building might be erected from the same money.

3- The town of Dowvoor is situated at a distance of 30 or 35 Miles from Cuddapah, or one nights run, on the road to Hydrabad and Kurnool, but the number of travellers along that road, who are entitled to the use of the Bungalow, are very few, probably not more than

fifteen

fifteen (if so many) in the year; and should the Railway be brought up to Cuddapah, thence to Bellary, travellers will probably pass on as far as Gooty, thence strike into the Hyderabad road without going near Doovoor; few travellers proceeding from Hyderabad to the Presidency will chose the route via Cuddapah as the roads are bad and Bungalows far between, whilst on the main road, viâ Guntoor and Nellore Bungalows are to be found at convenient distances all the way, besides being a Trunk Road. The Bungalow would then be of less use, than it would be at present were it built. it will however be of great use to the District Engineer and his Subordinates as Head Quarters while carrying on the repairs of the different works in that Talook.

4. Under these circumstances I cannot conscientiously recommend that a Bungalow be built at that station until I know that there are sufficient number of travellers to warrant such

such a recommendation.

Cuddapah District,
Collector's Office,
on Circuit, Poolevendalah
21st May 1857.

(Signed) M. Murray,
Collector.

Encl No 1.

No 87.

To, M. Murray, Esqre
Collector of Cuddapah

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for your consideration a plan and Estimate for a second class Bungalow proposed to be constructed at Doovoor on the road from Cuddapah to Kurnool & Hyderabad.

1 Estimate
1 Plan
1 Abstract
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2. The want of a public Bungalow at Doovoor is very much felt by Travellers, and particularly by ladies travelling alone as there is no place whatever in that town where they can remain during the day.

3. Doovoor is also the regular halting place for travellers proceeding by dâwk and

and it appears by a notice in the Fort St. George Gazette that Public Bungalows have lately been built at Paneum and at Scowell on the same road in the Kurnool Territory.

4. If you approve of this Estimate, I have the honor to request you will be so good as to forward it with your counter-signature and recommendation to the Board of Revenue to whom by a late order, all Estimates and correspondence regarding Public Bungalows are to be referred.

District Engineer's Office,
Camp Muddenpilly,
9th May 1857.

(Signed) E. Hemery, Lieut.
District Engineer of Cuddapah

(True Copy)
(Signed) M. Murray.
Collector.

Enclosure No. 2 Estimate amounting to Rupees 2,900.

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Bd. No. 3793

Enclosure No. 3 Abstract of Do

Proceedings thereon The Board concur with the Collector that there is no immediate necessity for a Bungalow at Dioyoor, and in the present state of the Finances they think the project may well be deferred. The construction of a Bungalow at this station would however seem desirable hereafter to complete the line of buildings.

To

No. 141.

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

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Bd. No. 2041

From the Collr of Chingleput

Sir,

1. I have the honor to forward herewith an Abstract Statement shewing the statistics of the several Talooks in this District prepared in the form which accompanied your letter No. 1699 of the 19th Instant.

2. The different designations in the margin of Para 2 of your communication under reply, shew the distinct duties attached to each of the offices to which they appertain. A Writer for instance is an appellation assigned to the English Clerk employed in copying out Letters, Statements, &c.

A Goomastah on the Hoozoor Establishment is a Native Accountant and has to keep and prepare accounts, Statements, &c. on paper in the Vernacular Language of the District.

A Sumpraty has heretofore been employed in

in transcribing accounts of Cadjans; exa-
-mining those received, from the Talooks,
and generally performing all the duties
connected with the Cadjan accounts, and
which he will have to continue when-
-ever these old Cadjan accounts have
to be referred to. Under the recent
orders of Government dispensing with
the use of Cadjan accounts for the
future, they employed themselves in
preparing the same accounts on paper.
A Moonshey reads all the urzees
and Petitions, &c received from the
local Officers, to the Collector and
Magistrate, and prepares the orders
issued by him in the matters to which
they refer, the duties of the Goomastahs,
Moonshees, and Sumpratiys in the Talooks,
are very nearly the same as those in the
Hoozoor. Royasum is a term applied
to the Moonshey in the Police Depart-
-ment, who has to take down depositions
&c from the Parties before the Head
of Police in cases coming before him
and to write out his orders to the
Village Officers on Cadjans. Nevisindah
is the designation of the Goomastahs
employed

employed in the Salt Department and
Mooshariff of those employed in the De-
-partment of Public Works now transfer-
-red to the District Engineer. The Peish-
-car is a Revenue Officer subordinate to
the Tahsildar, and also conducts the Police
duties of his Division under the orders of
the Magistrate. The Zilladars are em-
-ployed in collecting the Revenue balances
of their respective Districts and the Tars-
-dars the same of which there is only
one received with the Villages transfer-
-red from North Arcot. This it will
be seen that each of the above Officers
has a distinct duty to perform as his
name imports, and that the Depart-
-ment to which he belongs is clearly
shewn by it.

3. As the Board however
seems to consider that a list prepared
on the plan laid down by them will
be of great use to them in instituting
comparisons between the strength of
Establishments in the different
Collectorates, I beg to forward

one

one drawn out agreeably to their suggestions, and request to be apprized whether my Moyenzabitah is to be altered accordingly.

4. The instructions contained in Para 6 will be duly attended to, when the Record room, for which an Estimate was submitted some time since, shall have been sanctioned and built, and the Native Records now at Conjeveram removed to Guindy.

5. In the Treasury Department the Treasurer keeps his Cash accounts of Daily receipts, and disbursements, and the Head and Deputy Shroffs are employed in counting and Shroffing the Coins daily received into the Treasury, and the two Gollahs in taking out the bags of money from the Cash Chests and putting them in again whenever required. Of the 3 Goomastahs attached to this Department, one is exclusively employed in examining and checking the Salt accounts received from the Pans and preparing the periodical Statements rendered

rendered to the Board and the Accountant General. The other 2 are employed in preparing the various accounts indicative of the monetary transactions of the Treasury and have always been overworked so much so that they complained to me some time ago of their inability to perform their duty without extra aid, and I was obliged to give them the assistance of an additional Goomastah from the Hoozoor. Though the Collections of 6 Talooks are ordinarily forwarded direct to the Government Treasury, yet the transactions having to be exhibited in the accounts under the proper head of credit and debit, they do not diminish the amount of work required of the Goomastahs in any degree to give an idea of the arduous nature of the work performed by these Goomastahs. I beg to append a Statement shewing the accounts prepared by them in the Vernaculars before they are drawn out in English. The practicability therefore of any reductions in

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in this or any other Department will I trust be permitted to be deferred consideration till the Cutcherry has been sanctioned, and built and a Printing Press provided for my use. The average monthly amount which passed through my Hoozoor Treasury in 1856/57 is entered in the Margin.

* Rupees 91,251—0—0.

6. With reference to the enquiries made in Paras 8 & 9 of your letter under acknowledgement, I beg to refer the Board to the correspondence marginally noted which will give them the information they require after making allowance for 6 Peons recovered from the Public Works Department. As regards the work required of the Peons, I beg to state that the system of Preaudit has nearly doubled it, and converted them into a species of money carriers. This system has led to the presentment of Bills from all the Departments at uncertain and separate periods. Salaries are presented on one day. Sadeyarad Charges on another, and contingent charges on a third, while travelling allowances and Extra tentage will come in on a fourth and fifth, and this not for one Officer or Department, but for every Officer of every Department,

To Bd 19th Feby 1856
To Do 25th March —

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all of whom look to the money being brought to them in the different portions of the District they may be in, instead of coming for it themselves to the Hoozoor or Talook Cutcherries as the case may be. The Board can easily imagine how the District is overrun by Peons carrying money in all directions and the additional demand that is made on them, leaving the Tahsildars often and too often at a loss to know where they are to look for a man when they want him. I see no remedy to this state of things under the present system of Preaudit which, if it has facilitated the accounts of the Civil Auditor, has greatly tended to divert the Revenue and Police Establishments, from the duties for which they are supposed to be more immediately intended. Any reduction in their number is an impossibility.

7. The Sadoomalies are sweepers who keep the Cutcherry clean and lay down mats and rugs used by the servants.

8. With regard to comparing the Establishments of one District with those of another, I would beg to observe that it must greatly

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greatly depend on the amount of work to be done in each, and as regards this District, my Head Sheristadar, who has been all his life in Bellary, tells me, he is quite surprised at its amount far surpassing any thing he had any idea of - I would also desire to bring to the Board's notice that the practice of working beyond hours so general in other Districts is not so easily to be done in Chingleput where the servants try to assimilate their working hours as much as possible to those prevailing in the Presidency, and very properly so, for the Board must be well aware, from their former experience as Collectors, that the time given for work in Cutcherry by the Natives of this Country, far surpasses what is required of Public Servants in any other Country they are acquainted with - I do not mean to say that working beyond hours does not prevail in Chingleput - On the contrary I know that it does, but that from the example the servants have in Madras, it is not practicable even if desirable which it is not, to carry it to the same extent as in Districts further removed, and consequently for the same amount of work in Chingleput

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a greater number of hands

will be required than is the

case elsewhere —

That work is increasing

with every month and every year, the

Board are also well aware of —

Chingleput District
Collectors' Cutcherry —
Sydapet 26th May —
1857 —

Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

List.

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Peons

1st	Class		1	14	"	14	"
2nd	Do		5	10	8	52	8
3rd	Do		40	7	"	280	"
4th	Do		40	5	4	210	"
						2,771	4

Taloor Establishment

Tahsildars

1st	Class		2	100	"	200	"
2nd	Do		4	85	"	340	"
3d	Do		4	70	"	280	"

Peishcars

1st	Class		1	55	"	55	"
2nd	Do		1	35	"	35	"

3rd	Do		6	28	"	168	"
4th	Do		5	25	"	125	"
	Sheristadars		10	28	"	280	"

Goomastahs

1st	Class		1	17	8	17	8
2nd	Do		11	14	"	154	"
3rd			1	12	"	12	"
4th			29	10	8	304	8
5th			9	10	"	90	"
6th			1	9	8	9	8
7th			1	9	"	9	"
8th			90	8	"	720	"
9th			1	7	"	7	"
10th			1	6	"	6	"

Shroffs

1st	Class		10	14	"	140	"
2d	Do		6	10	"	60	"
3d	Do		1	5	"	5	"

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Moonshees

1st Class	10	14 " "	140 " "
2nd Dc	5	10 8 "	52 8 "
3rd Dc	19	8 12 "	166 4 "
Cutwall	1	10 8 "	10 8 "
Peons			
1st Class	27	7 " "	189 " "
2nd	1	6 12 "	6 12 "
3d	4	6 " "	24 " "
4th	310	5 " "	1,550 " "
5th	96	4 " "	384 " "
6th	547	3 8 "	1,914 8 "
7th	17	2 8 "	42 8 "
Moochies	10	4 " "	40 " "
Lamp lighters	10	3 8 "	35 " "
Sweepers	10	2 " "	20 " "
			7,583 8 "

Chingleput District
Collectors Cutcherry
Sy Lapet 26th May 1857.

/Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector.

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Memo.:—

Cash Report of the 10th 20th & 30th
Journal with a Register of Vouchers.
Account Particulars Book.
Account Current of advances on account of the Service
Account Current of advances on account of the Honble
Government.—
Statement of advances on account of Dc
Account Particulars of Civil Fund—
Account Particulars of Charges
Bill of Contingent Charges
Statement of Remd Collection & Balance
Left Account Current.
Account Current.
Abstract with a Muster Roll of the Lascar Guard
Abstract with Muster Roll of the Military Native
Abstracts with Muster Roll of the Military Native
Pensioners Receiving charge of the Invalid Regulations—
Bill of charges for Remitting money to Chingleput—
Return of Military Stations &c Endorsed.—
Return of Military Stations &c Endorsed.—
Bill of Establishments to Employed in the Salt Office
on account of Post Department for Disbursed)
Account of Postage Labels:—
Account of Postage Labels:—
Statement of Salaried Establishments and Contingencies
Statement of Salaried Establishments and Contingencies
Public Works Department.
Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance
Abstract of Demand Collection and Balance
of Monigelpet.—
Return of Peons.
Return of Peons.
Estimate of Gross Collections Charges and Net Revenue
Estimate of Gross Collections Charges and Net Revenue
and also Probable State of the Treasury—
Draft of closing Entries of the Journals submitted
for Approval.—

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Collector.

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Abstract.

Talooks	Area in Square Miles.	Population	Land Revenue	No. of Villages
Conjeveram	504	72,305	1,17,867 12 4	268
Carangody	444	49,207	1,30,177 13 3	386
Manemungalum	204	32,628	1,03,496 8 7	200
Chingleput	248	39,118	81,378 11 5	266
Ootramalore	229	43,217	1,05,241 15 1	177
Peddapallium	280	44,132	1,25,266 3 10	241
Tripolore	230	28,235	56,958 8 7	148
Sydapet	200	38,824	68,743 15 2	201
Poonamallee	105	31,090	43,563 6 10	146
Nayer	549	39,790	1,14,572 - 9	296
	2,993	4,18,546	9,47,293 15 10	2,359

Chingleput District
Collectors Cutcherry
Sydapet 26th May 1857.

/Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector.

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The

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B/ No. 3828

(210-211)

The Government have recently informed the Board that they prefer the mode in which the Moyenjabitahs are now prepared to the Classification proposed by the Board.—

2 The only part of the Collectors

No. CXV of 1857/58
21st September 1857

letter which requires notice at present is Para 6

The Board trust that the Circular of the

12th September 1857

Chief Engineer and Accountant General herewith forwarded will have greatly lessened the additional work caused by the Pranadit System. The Collectors will submit a Statement shewing the actual disposition of the Peons who amount in Number to 1088. The number /if any/ employed exclusively in Revenue Police Postal-Marramut

and

and the Departments or as Treasury

Guards should be shown

Separately as also should any

Temporary Peons who may now

be in Employ-

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No. 95

To

I. D. Sim Esqr

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

212.

Bd. No. 2684

From the Collector of Salem . . .

Sir

With reference to the Board's Endorsement on Petition No. 3115 of 1856 calling for a fuller explanation than my Endorsement of the 31st January 1855 affords, I have the honor to submit the following report.

2 The first Petitioner Lutchmee Ummal states that her husband held the Office of Soni Annegar in the Village of Poothy poorum, in the Salem Talook, up. to the time of his death three years ago that he left a son about five years old named Rungalharry who is heir to his father's Office that she requested the Collector thro the Tahsildar to appoint her son to the vacant Office and to allow her brother to do her husband's duty until her son should attain his majority, that the Collector refused to comply with her request she therefore prays that orders may be sent to the Collector directing him to comply with her application

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3 The Statement made by the Petitioner is correct I refused to appoint the Petitioners son to a share in the Maneyam Office on the ground that the Beriz of the Village was too small to require the service of two Monegars. The Beriz in fasly 1263 was Rupees 15-6- which gave a Salary of Rupees 6-6-7 as the entire Annual remuneration for the Monegars service.—

4 In this District the salaries of the Village Officers are sometimes divided to an excess which is very detrimental to the public interests I have on therefore endeavoured when opportunities occur and the same practice was followed by my predecessor Mr. Phillips to correct this evil I trust that this course will meet with the Boards approval.—

5 In this instance the person who holds the Office of Monegar is required to perform the duties of Moorsiff though he receives no emolument for the latter Office. It is therefore just and expedient in this as in other cases of the like kind that the person who performs both duties should be allowed when the emolument are so small to draw the entire sum. The salaries attached to Village Officers are not private

private property nor is there any good reason why they should be subdivided into shares when such an arrangement impairs the efficiency of the Service

Salem Collectors Office
Salem
30th June 1857.
Bd. No. 3784
Proceedings thereon
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/Signed/ H. A. Brett
Collector

The Board entirely concur in the views expressed in para 4 of the above letter. The division of the salaries of the Village Offices often as in the present case very trifling in amount cannot but have an injurious effect and every opportunity should as observed by the Collector be taken to correct this evil.—

2 Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon petition No. 3115 of 1857.

"The Annual emoluments appropriated to the Office of Moneam are too small to allow of two Monegars being employed. As moreover the beriz of the Village is but Rupees 15-6-0 The Board agree with the Collector in considering the services of one person sufficient. Petitioners request cannot therefore be complied with."—

To

1556 Fort Saint George 6th November 1857.

To

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

214.

Bd No 2613

From the Collr of Salem

Sir

Adverting to the Boards endorsement on the Petitions noted in the Margin, I have the honr to submit the following report.—

No 1807 of 1857
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2 The petitioner Narasiow states that he petitioned the Acting Collector to grant him leave of absence for 3 months, or to transfer him to another Talook, as the climate of the Tripatore Talook did not agree with his constitution, and that the Acting Collector, instead of granting either of the above requests removed him from the appointment of Police Payaem. He therefore prays that orders may be sent to the Collector to reinstate him in the Office from which he was unjustly removed and to pay him arrears of salary from the date of his dismissal.

3 The Petitioner up to November last held

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held the Office of Police Payaem in the Wanalore Talook. In that month, in consequence of some complaints against him, I transferred him to the Tripatore Talook on the 29th January last, the Petitioner addressed a Petition to the Acting Collector Mr Cherry in which he complained of general ill treatment from the Tahsildar, and requested that he might be transferred to another Talook, or that leave of absence for three months might be granted to him. He then added, that in the event of neither request being complied with, he wished his petition to be considered as a resignation of Office. The Collector on the receipt of this petition accepted the alternative last mentioned and removed him from Office from the 5th of the February.—

4 The Board will see from this explanation that the petitioner had not fairly represented his case. The Kaifeet submitted with petition No 1703 shews that he had tendered

Payaumall

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Rajeenamah, but no mention is made of the Rajeenamah in the translation which he furnished.

5 If the petitioner did not intend to resign his situation, he acted improperly in tendering a Rajeenamah. His removal to Tripatore was owing to his own misconduct, and it would have been inconvenient to remove him a second time. I have no doubt that Mr Cherry took this view of the case when he accepted the resignation, and rejected him altogether. I beg now to state that the petitioner is not, in my opinion, a fit person for further employment. I did not myself dismiss him but now that he has voluntarily withdrawn from the public Service, I should much regret to see him reinstated for his general character is by no means a good one. —

Salem Collectors Office
Salem . . . .
30th June 1857. . .

/Signed/ W. A. Brett
Collector

To

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No. 104.

To

J. B. Sim Esqr
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

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B. No. 2937

From the Collr of
Salem . . .

Sir,

With reference to the Board's endorsement on the accompanying Petition No. 2238 of 1857. I have the honor to refer the Board to my report on the subject of the petition under date the 30th June 1857.

Salem Collectors Office
On Circuit
Mc Donald's Choultry
18th July 1857. . . .

/Signed/ W. A. Brett
Collector

B. No. 3865

Order thereon

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Ordered that the following endorsement be passed upon the above Petitions and upon No. 2950. —

"In his petition to the Collector Petitioner requested that if his application to be transferred to another Talook or to have 3 Months leave granted him should be refused his

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his resignation might be accepted. He cannot therefore complain that he has been taken at his word. The Board learn that his character is by no means a good one and that in November of last year he was removed from his post of Police Payasam in the Woomalore Talook for mis= conduct. They decline to interfere in his behalf."

To

17561. Fort St George 6th November 1857

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

(217)
Bd No. 2990.
From the Collr. of Chingleput

I have the honor to reply to Esc: Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No 2151 of the 18th instant forwarding a Petition from the Poyalcarry Inhabitants of Pillarum: taken in the Periapallium Talook=

2 Petitioners assertion that the lands they were made to relinquish in favor of the Irravadars had been previously resigned by the latter in a Rajeenamah are perfectly correct, but the Rajeenamah having been taken from them in consequence of their having failed to pay their assessment, was afterwards Cancelled in Conformity with the Board's orders Conveyed in Mr. Secretary Cunliffe's letter of the 11th December 1854, directing that the demand should not be enforced unless the failure was

not

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not wilful, but attributable to the unfavorable nature of the season. The lands were therefore restored to the Meerasidars and the charges incurred by the Petitioners for bringing them under Cultivation were ordered to be Reimbursed to them. It would seem however that they Rejected the Reimbursement unless accompanied by the Restoration of the land and the loss they have suffered in Consequence is their own.

3. The lands Referred to in the last Clause of Para 2 of my letter dated the 29th November 1855 were lands of which they said they had been deprived several years, and their Rights to which were therefore not Cognizable by this office. They were moreover in the possession of the Meerasidars who, except in a case of actual occupancy by Poyakarie, had a prior claim to them.

4. The lands are not now waste as represented in the Petition, but under Cultivation and pay the Regulated demands.

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
the 27th July 1857.

(Signed) C. I. Shubrick
Collector

17563 Fort St. George the 5th November 1857

Bd No. 3787.
Order thereon: (217-218)

1. Ordered that the above letter be laid before Government with Reference to the Endorsement dated 26th May 1857 upon the above petition.

2 In first bringing forward their case the Petitioners claimed certain lands of which they had been deprived in Fusly 1265 on the plea that they had failed to pay Rent and Sunatum Timis to the Meerasidars. The lands were ordered to be Restored to the Petitioners and the Meerasidars were directed to Recover their fees &c. in the usual manner.

3. A claim to another piece of land was preferred at the same time, but as the Petitioners admitted that the circumstances out of which the dispute arose, dated several years back, and that the Meerasidars had been in possession ever since paying the regular Revenue, it was held that the case was not one for the disposal of the Revenue authorities.

4. On Receiving orders to this effect

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effect the Petitioners refused to receive back the former land unless the latter were given with it. But the Board referred them to their previous order and declined to reopen the question.

5. It is necessary to notice the above as in their present petition the Petitioners distort the Board's order* and make both parts of it refer to the same lands which they were never intended to do. The 1st part of the order has reference to the land mentioned above in para 2 while the 2d bears upon a perfectly distinct claim which will now be briefly noticed.

6. The land which the Petitioners style waste and which they allege was made over to the Merasidars after they (Petitioners) had been induced by the Zillahdar to cultivate it

*16 January 1856 in Trond Chinglepet 29th Nov 25/55

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it was previously engaged for and cultivated by the Merasidars under an express agreement to pay the Government demand on the land being relinquished consequently left waste. the latter were ordered to relinquish it and to give reference to that effect no measures being taken for ascertaining the causes which prevented its cultivation.

7. The Board in their letter dated 19th December 1854, held that the default was not wilful as it was shewn to have been caused by deficiency of water, and that although according to the strict letter of the agreement the Merasidars were liable for the demand it would be harsh to enforce the demand. They accordingly remitted the amount and allowed them a

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to renew their engagements for the land which had in the interim been occupied by the Petitioners-

8. The claims of the latter for compensation for loss of produce and labour was recognized as good, and the charges incurred were ordered to be reimbursed to them- This reinstatement however they declined to receive unless accompanied by restoration of the land-

9- The lands referred to in para 2 and the compensation in para 8 are available to Petitioners whenever they are willing to receive them- but the conditions which they couple with acceptance cannot be complied with

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No. 2525.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Fort St. George, under date the 30th July 1857.

Read the following.

Quarter Master Genl's Office

No. 1774.

To, The Chief Engineer
Depart. Public Works.

(219)

Br. No. 3070
From the Asst.
to the Chief Engr.

Sir,

I beg to suggest to you the Convenience which the public would enjoy if two or three Travellers' Bungalows were built between Chittoor and Royachoty by the new Damilcherry road- It is the best and shortest road to Cudapah from Madras, but it is always a matter of doubt with Travellers whether they should adopt it, arising out of the want of accommodation between the places named which are upwards of 60 miles distant from each other.-

Fort St. George
17th July 1857.

Signed J. F. Reid,
Quarter Master Genl.

Resolved-

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Resolved that a copy of the foregoing letter from the Quarter Master General of the Army be forwarded to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, with a request that the Chief Engineer be furnished with the sentiments of the Board upon the subject.-

(A true Extract)
(Signed) P. O'Connell Lieut.
Asst. to the Chief Engr.
in charge of Central Circle

B. No. 3832.
Proceedings thereon.
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The Board observe that the Con=struction of a Travellers Bungalow at Polur was sanctioned on the 12th January 1857 in Extract Minutes Consultations of that date No. 50, R.D. on that occasion the Government declined to sanction the erection of any more Bungalows between Chittoor and Cuddapah, and the Board are not aware that the number of Travellers to Cuddapah would justify further outlay in the present state of the Finances.-

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No. 177.

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

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B. No. 3219
From the Acting Collector of Madura

Herewith the trans=mitted with 4 enclosures.

Sir,

With reference to the Endorsement of the Board on Petition No. 1673 of 1857 of one Mariappa Pillay of Arichumputtoo Village I have the honor to report Petitioner complains that instead of being allowed to succeed his father deceased on the Meerassi Curnumship the Appointment was given to a grandson of his father's Goomastah.-

2. The 4yn Jummabundy ac=counts of Fasly 1211 and 1212 are signed by the so called Goomastah as Curnum and the maximum and Double accounts of Fasly 1212 have been signed by him on behalf of the father of Petitioner, thus the grandfather of the present incumbent in Fasly 1211 signed the Jummabundy account as Curnum and in Fasly 1212 also - but in Fasly 1212 he also signed the Maximum and Double accounts on behalf of

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of Petitioner's father. The officiating Fysul Curnum was succeeded by his son who was dismissed for bribery when the father of Petitioner succeeded him. On the death of Petitioner's father Mr. Parker restored the appointment to the son of the dismissed man and the grand son of the Fysul Merassidar. -

Madura,
7th August 1857

(Signed) R.J. Sullivan
Acting Collector.

B. No. 3803

211-212

Proceedings thereon.

+ d/28 July/55.

The original decision it would seem was passed on the supposition that Petitioner admitted he was not the heir of the Fysul Curnum. -

2. From the above report it appears that the supposition arose from the appropriation accounts of Fuslies 1211 and 1212 having been signed by the grand father of the present incumbent "as Curnum" but it is now brought to notice that the Maniam and Dowle accounts of the latter year were signed by the same individual, in behalf of the Petitioner's father."

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2. The Board consider that the grand father of the present incumbent having once signed the Accounts "in behalf of Petitioner's father" is positive evidence that the latter was recognized as Curnum and cannot be got over so long as those Accounts are admitted to be genuine. They can easily understand that this man, acting as Goomastah to Petitioner's father who possibly took little or no part in the duties of the office, affixed to his name the title of Curnum when signing accounts required from the Curnum's department. -

4. It is further observed that this individual was succeeded by his son who after, as may be presumed, officiating in the same way as his father was dismissed on Conviction of bribery. -

5. The Petitioner's father then took up the office which is an additional proof he was entitled to it. Under these circumstances the Board are of opinion that the title of the Petitioner's

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Petitioner's Letter to be considered as the Tysul Meerasidar notwithstanding the Tysul accounts being signed by another is sufficiently established and resolved to direct that the Petitioner as his heir shall be put in possession of the office.-

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon Petition No. 1673 of 1857. "Petitioner is referred to the Collector who has been instructed to make over to him the Curnum's office.-

223

Board's No. 3820.

Statement shewing the Amount of arrears to the undermentioned Yeomiadar in the District of Trichinopoly.-

1 Serial No.	2 Name of the Pensioner	3 Amount of Pension per Annum	4 Date of Commencement of Pension	5 Nature of the Grant	6 Period of Arrears	7 Total amount of Arrears	8 Explanation of the Cause of Suspension of Payment	9 Remarks of the Board of Revenue	10 Order of Government
8	Sarah Barbee	14 - 0 or 1 2 8	30 July 1824 per Warrant of 10 Sept. 1824	Subsistence Gratuity for 11 Months from 1st Sept. 1824 to 12 July 1825	12-13-4	1st Sept. 1824 to 31st July 1857	Sarah Barbee did not attend from the 19 Sept. 1856 the date of the last Examination she has now appeared & states that she was prevented by severe illness from attending to draw her allowances in consequence of her absence her Stipend was not paid for 11 months as the Collector is not aware of any objection sanction is requested for discharging the arrears with reference to the Circular Order of the Board of Revenue dated 31st May 1855. Page 71. The age of the Yeomiadar is 56 years and her identity corresponds with the Descriptive Roll kept in the Office.-		

(Signed) J. Bird,
Collector.

Trichinopoly -
15th August 1857.

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B. of R. No. 3823.

Remarks thereon

223-224

The cause of the Pensioner's non-attendance being explained and her identity satisfactorily proved, the Board authorize the disbursement of her arrears amounting to Rupees 12-13-4. due for 11 Months from 1st September 1856 to 31st July 1857. and also the future payment of her allowance.

To be Communicated to the Collector and to the Civil Auditor.-

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Read again Return from the Collector of Cuddapah dated 10th and entered in Consultation 15th September 1857.-

225

B. of R. No. 3792

Proceedings thereon -

The Board observe that 14 out of the 16 important offices entered in this return are held by Brahmins.-

2. The Collector's attention is called to the repeated orders of the Board and Government on this subject.-

3. Future Returns should be prepared in Foolscap paper.-

Read the following Papers-

Board

17574 Fort St. George 6th November 1857.

To,
J. D. Sinn, Esqre
Acting Sect. to the Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

(226)
B. No. 3964
From the Collector
of Chingleput

Sir,

With reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 14th Ultimo No. 3065 I have the honor to report that the District Engineer and his Executive Officer Lieut. Hankin being only willing to pay Rupees 10 per Mensem as rent for the Bungalow at Streeperumatoor, I do not think myself justified in allowing them to have it on those terms, & requesting the Board to move further in the matter. The informations desired by the Board seems therefore under the Circumstances to be superfluous.

Chingleput Distt.
Collr's Cutcherry,
Sydapet 7th October 1857.
B. No. 3805.
Order thereon -

(Signed) C. I. Steuberg
Collector

(226-227)

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer - The Board would still wish for the information called for in their former Proceedings as they presume the Bungalow is now little if at all, used by bona fide Travellers.

17575 Fort St. George 6th November 1857.

No. 252.

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

(228)
B. No. 4036
From the Collector
of N. Arcot

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit for the information of the Board of Revenue, Copy of Mr. Banbury's letter dated 9th instant reporting the progress he has made in the Remission of the Assessment during the past month. -

North Arcot
Collr's Cutcherry,
Chittoor 12th Octr. 57.

(Signed) C. Whittingham,
Collector.

Enclosure 1.
No. 46.

To, C. Whittingham, Esqre
Collector of N. Arcot.

Sir,

I have the honor to make the following report regarding the progress made in the Revision of the Assessment during the past Month. -

2. As soon as it became known that Government had authorized the reduction to be made in the South on the Inam lands the preparation of an account shewing the number

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number and amount of the different rates, and the quantity of land in each of these rates cultivated and uncultivated had to be prepared for each Taloor as was done for the month, this involved considerable labor the rates being more numerous than in the North, there being for instance in the Trinnettoor Taloor nearly 1000 different rates.-

3. This work has however progressed very favorably during the past month, and is now completed, it consequently only remains to fit the numerous rates now ascertained into the reduced and simplified scale to ascertain all necessary information regarding the financial result, and then submit the Scheme for the South to the Board, this Trust to be able to do either at the end of the current or the commencement of the ensuing month.-

4. The "A" Register of the resumed Avelcondah and Maunmundoor villages, the preparation of which was entrusted to me, has been nearly completed.-

(Signed) G. Banbury.
Actg. Addl. Sub Collector.

(True Copy)
(Signed) C. Whittingham,
Collector.

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228-229

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.-

No. 215.

To,

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

239

B. of No. 4096
From the Acting
Sub Collector of
Madura

Sir,

I am not aware that it will in any way influence the suit, but I deem it right to inform you that, in your letter to Government dated 28th. August 1857, Para 3, Ramasawmy Tavar is designated as Ramasawmy Saithoopathy and Moodooramalinga Tavar. The word Saithoopathy is a title only borne by the reigning Zemindars whether male or female, and in the latter case is not imparted to the husband.

Madura
14th. October 1857

(Signed) J. R. Cockrell,
Acting Sub Collector
for Actg. Collector.

B. of No. 3800.
Proceedings thereon-
para 2-

230-231

The Board observe that the passage of their letter to the Revenue Secretary to Government of the 28th. August last in which they call the husband of Mungalesuara Natchear Ramasamy Saithoopathy purports to repeat an allegation

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4. The "A" Register of the resumed Avelcondah and Maunmundoor villages, the preparation of which was entrusted to me, has been nearly completed.—

Signed / G. Banbury.
A.J. Addl. Sub Collector.

(True Copy)
Signed / C. Whittingham,
Collector.

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228-229

Order thereon — Ordered to be recorded.

No. 215.

To,

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

239

B. of No. 4096
From the Acting
Sub Collector of
Madura

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Madura
14th October 1857

Signed / J. R. Cockerell,
Acting Sub Collector
for Actg. Collector.

B. of No. 3800.
Proceedings thereon—
para 2—

230-231

The Board observe that the passage of their letter to the Revenue Secretary to Government of the 28th August last in which they call the husband of Mungaleswara Katchear Ramasamy Saithoopathy purports to repeat an allegation in

17580 Fort St. George 6th November 1857.

No. 306.

To,

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

234

B. No. 4153.
From the Collector of Chingleput

Sir,

I have the honor to request early sanction for the remission of the Peishcush due on the lands situated in the Jarry Zemeen and Shrotriem villages and occupied by the High Western and Northern Roads in this District as contained in the statements retransmitted with my letter of the 13th July last, as the parties concerned have repeatedly applied to me on the subject and the speedy adjustment of their claims seems necessary for the reduction of the balances against them.—

Chingleput Dist.
Collr's Cutcherry,
Sydapet 21 Octr. 57.

(Signed) C. J. Shubrick,
Collector.

B. No. 3796
Proceedings thereon.

The Collector is informed that the orders of Government have been solicited to his former letter and their reply will be communicated to him as soon as received.—

234-235

No.

17581 Fort St. George 6th November 1857.

No. 201.

To,

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

236

B. No. 4317
From the Acting Collr. of Masulipatam
5th October 1857
No. 3335.

Sir,

Para 1. In reply to your Circular requesting a report about the application of Act 21/55, I beg to state that the Act has not been brought into operation. The Ootoocoor Minor a few days ago arrived in Masulipatam for education, but no plan has as yet been decided on.—

2. The Commissioner Northern Circars in 1855 ordered the Krootteveenoo Minor to attend a School here which he has done ever since, but in this case the general authority of the Court rather than special power under this Act was acted upon.—

3. There is no money in deposit, but the Krootteveenoo Manager having reported he had 3,000 Rupees Surplus in hands has been ordered to remit it for investment in the 5 per Cent Loan.

Masulipatam,
Collr's Cutcherry,
28 "Octr. 1857.

(Signed) J. J. Knox,
Acting Collector.

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Bd No 3780

Resolution thereon

(237-239)

Resolved that Messrs Oakes and Co be furnished with a copy of the letter of the Collector of Sea Customs dated 13th October 1857 No 427

Resolved also that the Collector be instructed to suspend the sale of the goods referred to pending the decision of Government on the appeal Messrs Oakes and Co are about to prefer

Resolved that a copy of these proceedings be submitted for the information of Government with reference to the Boards letter dated 27th Ultimo No 3537

Resolved that the following letter be despatched

Read again the following letter from Offg Agent at Kurnool 25th April in Cons 3d May 1856.

24th September 56 in Cons 19th January 1857

9th March in Cons 3rd November 1857 No 964

From

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From the Collector of Cuddapah 15th Octr 56 in Cons

19th January 1857

26th May in Cons 2nd November 1857 No 2047

From the Collector of Bellary 27th Septr 56 in Cons 19th January 1857

13th April in Cons 2nd Septr 1857

23d Septr in Cons 2nd November 1857

30th March in Cons 2nd November 1857 No 3810 & 4110

(240)

Bd No 3830

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the above letters be laid before Government with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 20th November 1855 No 1293 In Cons 6th Decr 55 In Cons 29th April 57 R.D.) and 19th February 1857 (No 134 R.D.)

2 The correspondence above quoted refers to improvements of the internal as well as external boundaries of the three Districts Kurnool Bellary and Cuddapah. The formation of the first into a larger collectorate than was at first designed affects the proposals of the Offciating Agent and the Collector of Cuddapah but the propositions of the Board are framed with reference to the charge with original plan The most of Cuddapah

Cuddapah referred to in Extract Minutes Con-
In Cons 29th April 57 sultation 19 February last is herewith returned with
the additions required by Government Two other
maps also accompany these proceedings to shew
the proposed alterations

In Cons 3 May 56 3 In his letter dated 25th April 1856
the Officiating Agent suggests the transfer of 5
Villages to Cuddapah and the addition of 40
villages from that District and of 23 from Bellary
to the new Collectorate of Kurnool which as ultimate-
ly directed by Government will comprise the
Cuddapah Talooks of Gurrumcondah Coopaud and
Cailcondah and the Bellary Talook of Punchapollum
in addition to the present Agency.

4 The first set of villages named by Ct
Captain Russell are 15 now attached to the
Donnoor Talook of Cuddapah, the cusbah of which
Sodaloor The Engineer of Kurnool agrees with the
Agent but the Collector of Cuddapah
opposes the exchange.

5 The line here will leave the Cuh

boundary of Kurnool and it is desirable that
it should be carefully considered

6 On referring to the Map it will
be seen that Chagul murray is just half way
between Cuddapah and Nundial the seat of
the Civil and Criminal Courts of Cuddapah
and Kurnool under the new arrangements so far
therefore as proximity to the Courts is concerned
the South boundary between the two Districts
should be drawn in the neighbourhood of
Chogulmurry. In Revenue matters too this would
seem the most convenient boundary as parties
appealing to the Collector would have to proceed
only 36 miles to Cuddapah instead of about
75 to Kurnool

7 For these reasons the Board are
disposed to concur with Mr Murray that
the boundary shown in his map is about
the best that can be laid down. His map

is

and the Board recommend it for sanction.—

16 The Additional servants necessary will be provided by reductions in the Establishments of the other two Talooks.—

17 The Hoodkye Talook is most affected by the proposed changes and its revenue will be reduced from about 147,600 Rupees to about Rupees 95,000 — The Collector proposes accordingly to reduce the Talsildars pay from 110 to 90 Rupees and the Shereshtadars from 35 to 30 in addition to these alterations a Peshcar on 20 Rupees a Goomastah on 12. 2 others on 10½ Rupees each a Duffadar and 9 peons in the Revenue Department as well as a Duffadar and 12 Peons a Cutwal and 3 Dundiahs in the Police Department are to be transferred to the new Talook

18 The Revenue of Hoodkye Talook will be reduced if the Collectors propositions are approved by about Rupees 11000 — The only alterations proposed in its Establishment are the transfer of 2 Revenue Goomastahs on Rupees 10½ each: one Duffadar 8 Revenue and 8 Police Peons—

19 The Revenue of the new Talook which is to be called Hoospett will be about 66000 and though this is much below what Government in the case of the Nellore District considered the proper Revenue of a Talook the Board think that the distinct position of the villages which Mr. Pelly proposes to convert into the Hoospett Talook will induce Government to sanction the arrangement now proposed — The villages are probably now managed by a Peshcar on Rupees 25 under the new plan they will be under an Officer of superior grade located in a convenient station with enlarged powers and a separate Establishment.—

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20 The Board trust the arrangements now sketched out by them will meet with the approval of Government.—

21 Ordered that a copy of the survey Map of Kurnool be forwarded to the Officiating Agent with a request that he will have the existing Talook Boundaries marked on it leaving the District boundaries proposed by the Board between Kurnool and the adjoining Zillahs to be entered on receipt of the orders of Government.

22 The Cuddah Stations and passes through the Hill ranges should also be shewn

Recorded

17594 Fort Saint George 6th November 1857.

Received the under=
=mentioned Miscellaneous
Letters and State=
=ments.

241
My No. 2386
From the Collr
of Madura
=tor of Madura

Returns for
certain Statements
during last
month.

17595 Fort St. George, 7th November 1857.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,
Saturday, the 7th November 1857.

Read the following Papers.

242.
Bd. No. 1871.
From the Deputy Secretary to Government. ...

Memorandum.

The undersigned has the honor to forward, for the perusal of the Board of Revenue, the papers* refered to in their Acting Secretary's Memorandum of the 20th May 1857.

* to be returned

Fort St. George,
20th May 1857.

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

No. 185.

To,
J. Pycroft, Esqre
Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit, for the consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying application from Sami Karuna Pantalou, the Naib Sheristedar of this District for a Superannuation Pension.

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Fort St. George, 7th November 1857.

2. I beg to forward the usual state-
ment detailing the applicants period of ser-
vice and the grounds upon which I re-
commend the grant of a retiring pension;
but I regret to say that the medical
Officer of this station has not felt himself
warranted to give a Certificate of incapacity
for further active service, as will be observed
by the copy of a letter from that Officer
which I send up with this.

3. Under the peculiar circumstances of
the case, I am induced to hope that an
exception may be allowed to the Rule by
which applications for pensions are required
to be supported by Certificates of the kind
and that the Government will be pleased to
consideration of the past services of
Ianikaram Puntoloo, extending
as they have done over a period of
nearly thirty-eight years, to permit him
to retire upon a pension.

4. I have already expressed it as
my opinion, as may be seen by the
accompanying Extract from a letter
addressed to the Board of Revenue
under

Fort St. George, 7th November 1857.

under date 28th February last, that Ianikaram
Puntaloo is incapable of discharging any
longer the duties of his Office, and I feel no
hesitation in stating that I consider that
the Public interests demand his removal from
his present position.

5. He has passed an uninterrupted
period of 38 years in the service of Government
and has earned for himself a high character
for integrity and zeal, but failing powers
of mind and body now render him, in
my opinion, quite unfit to perform the duties
which are required of him.

6. He is a man of naturally slow
mental capacity and of but little physical
activity, and in both respects his powers are
fast failing.

7. His case appears to me to be
one of those which was contemplated in
the Proceedings of the Honorable the
President of the Council of India under date
7th September 1855, by which it was ruled
that a medical certificate could be dis-
pensed with when the Head of the office
gave it as his decided opinion that a
public

x dated 7th inst.

x Received with Extract from Minutes of Consultation dated 11th October 1855. Paras 5 and 6.

public servant was incapable of serving any longer by reason of old age and failing powers of mind or body.

8. Altho' this decision has been modified by Para 34 of a Despatch No. 11 of 1856 from the Honorable the Court of Directors, it does not appear that special cases may not be treated as exceptional ones, and I therefore venture strongly to urge the claim of the present applicant to the bounty of Government.

9. It may be asked whether there is not any other situation in which Ianikaram Puntolou could be employed without detriment to the Public service till such time as he could obtain the requisite Certificate.

10. I will not say that there are not such situations, but still I would submit that it would be a hardship to reduce a man, after 38 years service, to an inferior post which he would regard as a disgrace and which would diminish the rate of pension to which he would afterwards become entitled.

South Arcot Collector's Cutcherry, Cuddalore, 11th April 1857.

(Signed) Arthur Hall,
Collector.

No. 1

To,
A. Hall, Esqre.
Collector of South Arcot.

Most Honored Sir,

I most respectfully beg leave to inform you that I have served Government for the last 38 years in different capacities, but being now incapacitated from performing the active duties of my Office by reason of bodily infirmities, I humbly request you will be so kind as to bring my case to the favorable consideration of Government to confer upon me from 1st May next the benefit of superannuation Pension according to Rules.

I beg also to request that you will be so kind as to allow me to draw my Pension from the Collectors Treasury at Chingleput.

Cuddalore 9th March 1857.

(Signed) Ianakiram Puntoolou,
Naib Sheristadar.

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

Fort St. George, 7th November 1857.

No. 3.

To

Arthur Hall, Esqre

Collector and Magistrate

South Arcot.

Sir,

I have the honor to state that I have duly examined the Cutcherry servant named in the margin, and that I do not find him Physically disqualified from performing the duties of his Office. I have no means of forming an opinion as to the state of his mind.

Janakeram Puntoolo.

Cuddalore, 7th April 1857.

/Signed/ I. Crawford,
Civil Surgeon.

/True Copy
/Signed/ Arthur Hall,
Collector.

No. 4

Extract from a letter from the Collector of South Arcot to the Board of Revenue dated 26th February 1857.

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Para 15. Unfortunately, however Janakeram Puntoolo, the present Nail Sheristadar, is a man of such slow apprehension and

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and so little natural ability, that he is totally incapable of performing the duties which would devolve upon him.

16. He bears a high character for integrity, but so deficient has he shewn himself to be in his mental qualifications that I was unable either to make use of him myself at the settlement of last Fusly 1265. or depute him to go out with the Head Assistant.

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/True Extract/

/Signed/ Arthur Hall,
Collector.

242-243

Bd. No. 3308.

Proceedings thereon. The Board approve of the arrangements herein reported though they regret the necessity of reducing an Officer of Janakeeram Puntoolo's character to a lower situation after a service of 38 years.

2. The Board are inclined to think that the Notification of the 21st July, 1854. (Gazette Page 818) is not affected by the orders subsequently conveyed in Extract Minutes of Consultations 12th May, 1856, and that Janakeeram

Jud Cons. 29th May 1857.

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Janakeeram Puntoolor may be recommended for a special pension under that notification if his claims are sufficiently strong.

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B^d No. 4091.

From the Acting Secretary to Government ... } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, under date the 17th October 1857.

Authorizing the defence, at the public cost, of the appeals instituted in the Civil Court of Tellicherry against the decrees passed by the Principal Sudr Ameen of that place in Original suit No. 7 of 1855 and 5 of 1856. (See No. 1065 in separate volume)

B^d No. 3812.

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

(244-245)

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Read again letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly, dated 28th November and entered in Consultation 4th December 1856

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B^d No. 3842.

Proceedings thereon.— In Column 1 of the above Return, the quantity of salt in store on the 30th September 1855 is given at Indian Maunds 616,947 which differs from the quantity in Column 8 of the account Current for September 1856, by Indian Maunds 34,922 as shewn in the margin. In explanation of this difference, it is stated in a foot note of the statement under review that the former quantity or Indian Maunds 616,947 is the Salt for which bonded warrants was debited in the Treasury accounts while the latter

Statement of 1855 Column 1 — 616,947.

Account Current for September 1856 Col 8 — 581,025

Difference — 34,922

X The account Current for September 1855 is not forthcoming, consequently reference is made here to that of September 1856 Column 8, which shows the Balance of Salt "up to the end of the corresponding period of the previous Fusly." The Collector is requested to forward a copy of the account Current of September 1855.

or

or Indian Maunds 5 82025 is that actually in store in the Chowkies including Salt for which Coodewarum had not been debited. But examining the entries in Column 5 of the Statement under review it will be perceived that the difference alluded to exactly equals the quantity said to have been written off in the account current of September 1855 on account of loss by change of equivalent calculated at 6% on the Balance in store shown in Column 8 of the account of September 1856, so that the explanation given by the Collector regarding the difference cannot be correct.

2. Again, it will be seen that in all the accounts current from October 1855 to October 1856, the course followed in deducting the loss by change of equivalent has been invariably to exclude it from the Receipt entries instead of bringing all the receipts first regularly to account, and then excluding formally the amount of deduction.

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The latter is the correct course and revised accounts are therefore necessary.

3. These deductions do not seem to have been made at $5\frac{5}{8}$% as directed in the Board's Circular of 3d June 1856, but at 6% on the received quantity. The Collector will explain why the larger rate was adopted.

Read the following Paper—

No. 247

To I. D. Sim, Esqre
Secretary to the Board.

Board of Revenue,
Fort St. George.

Bd. No. 44.

From the Acting Collector of Ganjam . . . . .

Sir,

Adverting to your Circular letter of the 29th October last, No. 3573, I have the honor to submit in the form furnished by the Board on account of the difference occasioned by the change in the equivalent of the Indian Maunds recently ordered by Government, by writing of $5\frac{5}{8}$ per cent from that portion of the stock which was received at the old rate. The instructions contained in the 3d para

of

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of the above circular will be attended to.

In reference to the 4th para, I have the honor to state that the change in the equivalent of the Indian Maund was introduced in all the Cotours of this district immediately after the receipt of the first order on the subject.

Ganjam District,
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry,
Purlakemidy,
18th December 1856.

[Signed] W. Knox,
Acting Collector.

Statement

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Fort St. George 7th November 1857.

Ganjam District.

Statement shewing the Assessment Light on the Stores of Rice and Paddy in the Stores of 120 Indian Maunds to 2424 pounds as per Circular Order dated 7th September 1855.

Quantity in Stores and received at the rate of 400 pounds per 120 Indian Maunds.	Quantity already written off in the accounts current for the months noted below.	Difference between Column 1 and 2.	Quantity to be deducted on account of 3 at 5/8 per Cent by change of Equivalent and allowed under Circular Order dated 7th September 1855 as per margin.	Quantity to be deducted from Column 3 at the rate of 3 at 5/8 per Cent as per Circular Order dated 7th September 1855?	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6
Ist Stores on the 30th September and 30th June 1855.	Received between 1st October 1855 and 30th June 1856?	Total of Column 1 and 2.			
1,459 72	2.8 "	None "	445922 28 "	2.50	83 5 "

Received.

Ganjam District.
Collector's Circuit Cutcherry,
Purlakemidy, 18th December, 1856.

[Signed] W. Knox,
Acting Collector &c.

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B.P. No. 3795.

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Proceedings thereon,

The quantity of salt in sto
on the 30th September 1855 as given in le
x 445,922. lumn x1 of the above return differs from
x 442,969 that exhibited in the accounts current f
2,953. the quarter ending 30th September 1855 by S
dian Maunds 2,953. The acting Collecto
is requested to explain the discrepancies

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In Column 5 of the statemen
under review, the total quantity written off
in the accounts current for the several mon
from October 1855 to June 1856 is entere
at Indian Maunds 27,430. But in the
x June 1856. account current of the last month, no separate
entry exhibits the loss. The acting Collector's
letter dated 18th September 1856 however show
that a portion of the above quantity or
Indian Maunds 11,381 was included in the
wastage, Viz. Indian Maunds 31,075 show
x in Column 7 of the above accoun
27,430 current. Deducting this therefore from the
11,381 total quantity written off, the residue 16,04
16,049 Indian Maunds remains to be accounte
for.

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3. The Balance of Salt at the Close of July 1265 is given in the Account Current of June 1856 as Indian Maunds 364,338 while the quantity in store at the Commencement of the ensuing July, shown in the Returns of July, is only Indian Maunds 363,933 - The difference of 1.05 Maunds between the two entries Requires explanation -

Read again letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam dated 2nd and entered in Consultation 13th January 1857 -

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B.P. No. 3797.

Proceedings thereon. The Board observe that in Column 3 of Statement No. 3 the remainder of salt, after deducting the wastage Viz., is given at Indian Maunds 215,988 and the quantity to be deducted from it at 5 5/8 per cent as per Lr. of 3rd June 1856, is entered in Column 4 at 11,503 Indian Maunds, but the Result obtained by

as per statement of loss Column 4	11,503	calculation in this
as per calculation	12,149	office is 12,149 - The dis-
Difference	646	crepancy as shown in the

Margin Requires explanation -

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2 In Column 5 of the same statement the total quantity of salt written off in the accounts Current is given as Indian Maunds 13,726 which does not agree with the similar entry in Column 7 of the account Current for June 1856 This difference also requires to be accounted for as Corresponding adjustments will have to be made in the accounts of the ensuing Fasly 1268

as per statement of Loss Column 5	13,726
as per account Current Column 7	12,633
Difference	1,07

No 1122.

To I D Sim, Esqr &c

Acting Secretary to the Board of Rev
Fort St George

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B No 562

From the Collector of Nellore — — — Sir

With reference to the Board's endorsements on Petitions No 3584 and 3585 herewith returned presented by Abdaul Kauder and others, I have the honor to forward herewith Copy of the order passed by Mr Ratliff regarding the resumption of the Inamiums therein referred to

Nellore District, Collrs office, Podamatapollem, 14th Feby 1857 (Signed) F B Elton Collector

Enclosure No 1 Telugoo

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B No 3803

Proceedings thereon (250-251)

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The Board observe that this Maniam, which appears to be one of those coming under Regulation VII of 1817, should not have been resumed without a previous Reference for sanction

2. The Board learn from their Acting Sub Secretary that the over-Crowded state of the old Mussulman burying ground and its proximity to the dwelling houses led to the appropriation of the piece of ground referred to for a place of burial

3. As however under Section IX of the Regulation above quoted a Report of the Resumption should go to Government the Collector will be pleased to state more fully the Circumstances under which it took place

No 288.

To I D Sim, Esqr

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort St George

Sir

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B No 2015

From the Acting Collector of Masulipatam — — — (Para 5) With reference to your letter dated 11th Instant, calling my attention

in

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in the first instance to Proceedings from the late Commissioners 3d November 1852 requiring a statement of Pagoda allowances which proceedings remain unanswered, I have the honor to submit the following explanation

2 The matter was sent to the Collectors for report in the Board's letter 30th March 1846, to which Mr. Mathison as Collector replied on 12th February 1847. The Board sought for further information in their letter dated 6th May 1847, 29th July 1847 and 30th October 1847.

3. On the 31st July 1848 Mr. Porter reported very fully on the subject but apparently this letter has escaped the Board's notice for, on 3d June 1852, Mr. Dalrymple the Board thro' the Commissioner called for the long desired explanation of Mr. Mathison's letter. The matter was revived by Mr. Ballard who reported at length to Government 31st January 1855, and eventually on 30th November 1855 the Government issued final orders and this matter is so far settled regarding the salt Reversions. Mr. Lushington [illegible] reported

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Reported on 11th March 1856 and there only remains the question of the Mokrassa Deductions alluded to in Mr. Porter's letter to the Board. Mr. Lushington has declared the Mokrassas resumable at pleasure, it therefore remains for the Board to say whether a searching enquiry should be made into their tenure.

Masulipatam, Collector's Cutcherry, 27th May 1857 — (Signed) T. J. Rhose, Acting Collector.

Bd's Co's 3801 Proceedings thereon.

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The Board find that the Macassah Remissions were referred to in para 6 of Mr. Porter's letter dated Ld Cos 17th augt 1848 31st July 1848 and that a Statement of the annual amount also accompanied that letter.

2. The information before them is too general to enable the Board to submit the question for the orders of Government, and they would wish the acting Collector to prepare a report on the claims in sufficient detail to enable the Board and Government to deal with them. Meanwhile the payments will continue to be made.

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No. 150.

To, I. D. Smith, Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to report
that agreeably with the Request contai
in the accompanying Petition No. 392 of
1857, bearing the Board's endorsemen
dated the 10th February last, on petitio
land assessed at Rupees 60 per annum
has been ordered to be made over to
Petitioners for the support of the Choultry
therein adverted to under the sanction
Government Conveyed in Extract from
Minutes of Consultation, No. 351, of the
23d March 1854, Communicated with
Extract from the Board's Proceedings
dated the 11th May following. The dela
in acting on the orders of Government
has been Consequent on the omission on
the part of the Proprietor to select the
lands required by him notwithstanding
the orders Repeatedly issued

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B. R. No. 2096
From the Collector
of Chingleput

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issued to him on the Subject-

Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet,
30th May 1857
B. R. No. 3806.
Proceedings thereon-

(Signed) C. S. Shubrick,
Collector

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Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon the above Petitioner

"The Board learn from a Communication Received from the Collector that the land Referred to has been order-ed to be made over to Petitioners and that the

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the delay in acting on the orders of Government has been occasioned by the Petitioners omissions to select the Land Required by him notwithstanding that orders were Repeatedly issued to him on the Subject — His Claim for arrears is consequently inadmissible. —

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No. 82

No.

J. D. Sim Esqr.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Sir,

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Bo. No. 2241 From the Jt. Coll.r of Nellore ..... Submitting a proposition from the Sub Coll.r and recommending a competitive shew of Cattle to take place in the North of the Sub Division as a branch of the general exhibition.

With reference to the Agricultural Exhibition proposed to be held in this District during the present year a proposition has been made to me by the Sub Collector that a competitive shew of cattle should take place at Cadalumky in the North of this Division instead of at Nellore, not in supersession but as a branch of the general Agricultural Exhibition to be held at the Chief Town of the District. Mr. Minchin states that the last two Exhibitions in Guntoor were thrown open for competition to the Ryots of Nellore, and a locality selected within the reach of the people of this District. The advantages of this competition were obvious, and were specially noticed by the late Committee, and it is therefore very desirable that the Nellore District should reciprocate in this respect, and by holding a cattle show in the centre of the breeding

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"I am aware that the Board originally expressed themselves opposed to the allowance of second prizes, in a Cattle show experience has shown that such are absolutely necessary to invite Competition, and my experience of several of these Meetings, has led me to add a Novelty in the shape of a certain sum to be awarded by the Committee in small Prizes, to really first rate animals exhibited by otherwise unsuccessful competitors."

"The advisability of such a step was strongly felt by the Committee at the Guntoor Exhibition there is of few very little difference in the Merit of the best two or three animals in each class, and I am confident that the distribution of a few extra Prizes, though small in amount would prove most popular with the Ryots."

"The proposed scale of Prizes though liberal, is not more so than the value of the Cattle bred in these Districts warrants being offered, and if it had not been that I feared to take too large a sum from that Sanctioned for the general purpose of the exhibition, for a particular portion

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portion of it, I would have proposed an additional 1st and 2d Prizes of Rupees 70 and Rupees 35 for 4 year old steers as it is unquestionably heard on an animal with only six teeth in his Mouth to make him complete with full grown bulls, as these animals in fact hardly obtain there full development until six years of age."

"The Sheep bred in the Districts are so poor that the Prizes offered for them are of no importance and might, if thought advisable, be omitted altogether."

5. It seems to me that the Matter has been carefully considered by the Sub Collector, and that he is competent to carry out his arrangements in the manner proposed - I beg therefore to recommend that his proposition be adopted and that the expenditure specified above be sanctioned out of the amount which may be set a part for the general Agricultural Exhibition of

the

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connected with the extra sources of Revenue being conducted in the name of that village no inconvenience arises from continuing this practice and there are no grounds for making any alteration.

No. 94

To,

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

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Bde No. 2688
From the Collr of Salem

Sir,

Adverting to the Board's endorsement on petition No. 925 of 1857, calling upon me to report as to the steps I had taken in regard to the lease of the Alkary farms in the District I have the honor to explain that the Alkary farms referred to in this petition was put up to public

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public auction on the 2d of last month, and sold to the highest bidder.

2. The petitioners have objected to an application made by the Alkary renters in the month of July 1856, that their lease might be prolonged for 3 years from the determination of the existing lease, which expires on the 12th July of the current year, as this application has not been acceded to, there is no need for further explanation.

Salem, Collectors Office
30th June 1857

(Signed) H. A. Brett,
Collector

Order

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Bd No. 3807

Order thereon

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Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed upon the above petition.—

"The Akkarry farm having been put up to public auction and sold to the highest bidder no further notice of this petition is required."

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For

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No. 110

To,

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

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Bd No. 2797.

From the Actg Collector of Malabar—

Sir,

I have the honor to report the demise on the 5th April last of Eddatarah Walia Nair, who was on the receipt of a Malikanah allowance of Rupees 1031—6—4 per annum—

The deceased is succeeded by Togatinguel Paddathe Perakoomy alias Eddatarah Walia Nair his nephews and heir at law, as shewn in the accompanying Statement I have accordingly the honor to request that sanction may be obtained for continuing the payment of the said Malikanah allowance to him from the 6th Idem—

Calicut
8th July 1857—

(Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector

Tabular

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27 Vaddaka koonttala Komoon:
=ny Nair ——— 18
28 Manirapally Ittekan Nair — 17
29 D° Koonjoony Nair ——— 16
30 D° Coonjoo Nair ——— 16
31 D° Kakoonny Nair ——— 15
32 Karinkollangara Coojy Oondan
Nair ——— 13
33 D° Kamboony Nair ——— 12
34 Manirapally Coonjy Oondan
Nair ——— 12
35 Karinkollangara Kakoony Nair 11
36 D° Itty kellackan Nair ——— 10
37 D° Thoondoo Nair ——— 10
38 D° Istnaikan Nair ——— 9
39 Manirapally Kakoony Nair 8
40 D° Coonjy Vaingar amack — 72
41 D° Ittechy D° ——— 70
42 Kerakekoottala Istnooly D° 62
43 Manirapally Ithay — D° 61
44 Karinkoollangara Ittechy D° 60
45 Kerakekoottalla Coonjy amah D° 55
46 Manirapally Koomoony D° 50
47 Malakompatta Ittichy D° 44
48 Karinkollangara Imatty D° 41
49 Manirapally Istnooly — D° 38
50 Karinkollangara Cherotty D° 35
51 Vadelakekotta Istnooly D° 35
52 Karinkollangara Coonjy D° 34
53 Manjerapally Ittchey — D° 33
54 Manjerapally Cherotty Vaingar amah } 32
55 Karinkollangara Amachy D° 30
56 Manirapally Coonjy — D° 30

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Dr. No. 3810

Fort St. George 7th November 1857.

Resolution thereon. Resolved that the above letter with its enclosure be laid before Government with reference to Contract Minutes Consultation 30th May 1857, No. 519.

From 11th June 157

2. The annual allowance of Rupees 1,031-0-4 enjoyed by the late Edadatarek Weba Nair, one of the 8 chieftains of Paulghaut, is included in the Statement of Malikana sanctioned by Government on the 16th December 1845 and forms the subject of the correspondence marginally noted. It was first granted at the assumption of the District by the British in the year 1804 and has always been regarded as strictly hereditary.

From letter 9th Augt. to Con 25th September 45
Enclosure C.
To Govt. 25th September 45
From 10th December 56
with 5th January 57
No. 1403 R.D.
From Jg: Collr. 15th May 1857
To Govt. 20th April
& 2nd July 1857
From Govt. 30th May 57
No. 519, R.D.
to Collr 11th June 1857.

3. Government having recently declared the Malikana allowances paid to the Rajahs & other independent Nair Chieftains of Malabar to be "perpetual during good conduct," and authorized the payments to be continued to their heirs on the occurrence of lapses pending formal sanction the Board recommend that sanction may be accordingly granted for continuing the payment of Rupees 1031-0-4 per Annum to Logathigal Peddatte Para Bloomy alias Eddatarek Weba Nair Nephew and heir of the late incumbent from 6th April 1857 the date of lapse.

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From the Collector of Calicut 8th July 1857.

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Department though his ignorance of Telugu is an obstacle to his employment in the District generally.

10. I can only propose that his case be submitted to Government with a view to his receiving an appointment as Peguine talliar, shroff, or cash-like, with permission that he draws 15 Rupees a Month of his pay two as Persian Monshee till so provided for, or even tho he has had no long service Monshee 1856.-

Masulipatam Collectors Cutchery 28th July 1857

[Signed] T. S. Rivers
Acting Collector

To

The Acting Collector of Masulipatam

Sir

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To The Acting Collector of Masulipatam

Con 7th Novr 57
3082.

Adverting to your letter dated 28th July I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acquaint you that in any of the Orders issued by Mr Lushington and Mr Fraser in passing the Petitioners portion of the salary (in arrears) of the Office of Persian Monshee, there is any intimation of the position Petitioner really did hold and of the character in which he was to be employed thereafter. The Board would also wish to be informed of the amount of such a Persian Monshee would have to perform and the manner in which Petitioner really in this capacity conducted himself. It should also be stated whether he was ever borne on the books of the Cutchery as a Monshee, drawing pay like any other servant of Government.-

Revenue Board Office Fort St George 7th Novr 1857

(Signed) L. Forbes
Acting Sub Secretary

To

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No. 201.

To,

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

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Bd No. 3776.
From the Ag Collr of Madura

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 5th Instant No. 2958. I beg the honor to forward replies to the queries of the Board of Revenue in the Ramnad suit.-

2. I have not yet obtained information to enable me to reply to the 1st 2d and portion of the 7th queries as I am unable to trace any thing from my own records as regards the Appellant Seevagunga Zemindar's father's death owing to the individuals adverted to in those questions not having been Poligars or Pensioners drawing Pension from this Treasury. I hope to be able to supply the information

3. -tion as soon as I receive replies to my orders to the Zemindar of Ramnad-

4. Copies of the documents required in your letter are herewith forwarded. I am precluded forwarding translations immediately in consequence of the pressing nature of the call they will be sent as soon as ready.-

Enclosure No. 1 to 7

[Signed] R. J. Sullivan,
Ag Collector

Madura Kodaickanal 19th September 1857

Questions

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Enc: No 1.

	Questions	Answers
1	State the date of the marriage of Ramasawmy Sauer, with the Sheristeriar Zemindar Mungalaswary Nauchear?	Takeels have been sent to the Rauts of Ramnad to ascertain the date and will be communicated as soon as an answer is received.
2	State the date of his death?	
3.	State the date of the Summud of Sheristeriar for Ramnad?	Dated 22nd April 1803
4.	State the date of actual adoption of Ramasawmy Sauer Moothapatty?	5th July 1803, see Mr Hills Letter to Board 7th June 1812 Para 4, and 23rd December 1812.
5.	Is it asserted by Ramasawmy Sauer in his appeal Petition that his ancestor Moothoo Carpa Sauer, married 2 Wives Wallay Cheeloy Ammaul, and Vally ammay were they sisters and what relation did they bear to Ramasawmy Sauer, husband of Mungalaswaytan-chear	Seevasawmy Sauer's assertion, that Moothoo Carpa Sauer married 2 Wives Wallay Cheeloy Ammaul and Vally ammay is true, but they were sisters. The first Wife Wallay Cheeloy Ammaul was the sister of Ramasawmy Sauer husband of Mungalaswaytanchear as appears from the pleadings of the suit.

Hold

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6.	State the date of the death of Ramasawmy Sauer Moothapatty, husband of the present Zemindar?	Ramasawmy Sauer Moothapatty died on the 21st April 1830, see Mr Vincents letter to Board 24th April 1830.
7.	State the name of the father of the Appellant Seevasawmy Sauer and the date of his death as nearly as you can?	The name of the father of the Appellant, Seevasawmy Sauer, was Soondra pandya Sauer, alias Mungalaswamy Sauer. The date of his death is not known. And Takeel has been sent to Seevasawmy Sauer to ascertain.
8.	Copy of the plaint brought by Moothoo Veeroya Sauer the present Zemindar for the Estate, taking care that the date is correctly inserted?	Copy sent herewith which was obtained thro' the Government Vakeel from the records of the Court.
9.	Send Copy of the answer filed in suit in Civil Court of Madura in No 1 of 1851?	Sent herewith which was also obtained thro' the Govt Vakeel from the records of the Court.

Send.

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10.	Sund Copy of Exhibits from No.2 to 12 filed by Plaintiff in O.S. No.3 of 1853?	The suit was appealed against to the Court of Sudr Adalut. the Bundle connected with the case was sent to that Court with the appeal Petition by the Civil Judge of Madura. Hereto annexed from the Court of Sudr Adalut.
11.	Do Exhibits A B & C in the same suit filed by Defendants	Herewith Sent.
12.	Do Copy of the Decree in No.200 of 1804 presented by the Collector & Civil Court of Madura with Petition No.495 of 1856 & A. P. No.157 of 1857 filed by Plaintiff	Sent herewith was also obtained through the Government Vakeel from the records of the Court.

Madura,
Kodaicharuly
19th September 1837.

/signed/ R. J. Sullivan
Ag. Collector

Encl.s Nos 1 to 5 Email.

Translate

17041

Fort St. George 9th November 1837.

Encl.d 6

Translate of a Deposition given by Lawny Tauer son of Vance Tauer Saitoorama Tauen son of their Erooralay Veeshapoogul Conda Tauer Sheemuthachee Antal Daughter of Davash: cody Tauer of Areya Cody - Chittranarrayana Tauer of Paundyvalachy - Rancoosreya Tauer of Ethompandil, Mooneandy Tauer - Mootoocurpa Tauer of Arundechy, Colum Mootiomera Tauer of Sheenomcoody, Mootalaga Tauer of Serooboothas on the 29th April 1812 correspond: ing with 19th of Chittray Year Angeiesha -

The grounds of right upon which present Mootoovezya Raghoonada Sied-duthee are -

As Rannee Sied-duthee is of the Meera Roy Kelay caste, and Vulliammay (one of the descendants of her posterity) of the Meera: Roy Kelay Caste was married to Mootoo Curpa Tauer Brotherinlaw of Ramasawmy Tauer (Husband of the Rannee) and as he is the offspring of Vulliammay he is in every respect a rightful heir to the Rannee Sied-duthee and is so declared and confirmed by us all and with the consent of the Father and Mother the Rannee has adopted him to the knowledge of all people -

As

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As they are related to us as we usually intermarry with the Sumvanam (the habitation of the chiefs) and as we are Poligars and head inhabitants of this Country, we have given in marriage our females to Mootoovenjea Ragoonada Sadhuthee, the adopted son of Rannee Sadhuthee - therefore the said Mootoovenjea Ragoonada Sadhuthee the adopted son of the Rannee Sadhuthee is known to us to be the lawful heir - He was born in the year Nala Vaanth Chittry.

Witnesses

/ Signed / Cawaree toombachee naik.
" Mootalagar Iyen.

/ Signed / Lawny tauer
/ Marked / Lachmana tauer
" Sheemuttachee aatal
" Chittra Narrayana tauer

/ Signed / Sooreya tauer
" Mootoovera tauer
" Moneandy tauer
" Mootalaga tauer
/ Marked / Mootoo Curpa tauer

/ Signed / R. Peter,
Collector.

True Copy.
/ Signed / R. I. Sullivan,
Ag. Collector.

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To

The Sub Collector in Charge of
Madura

(266-267)

Bd. No. 3809
To the Sub Coll.r in Charge of Madura —
To the Ag. Coll.r 5th September 1857
From D.o 19th Sept.r 1857
In Cons.y 7th Nov.r 1857

Sir

With reference to the correspondence noted in the Margin I have the honor to request that you will ascertain and report as early as possible the exact date of the Sunnud Milkeut Istimrar granted to the Zemindar of Rammad

2 A Counterpart on the Boards Office is dated the 13th July 1802 and mentions the date of the Sunnud itself as 22d April 1802 but in the Decree of the Sudr Udalut relative to this Estate in Appeal Suit No. 18. of 1814 the Deed of permanent settlement is said to have been granted in 1803 and a similar assertion is made in the Urzee of Mootoovenja Ragoonadha Sadhoopatty (Annasawmy Tauer) enclosed in Mr. Peters letters to the Board of the 6th April 1812 as well as in Enclosure No. 1 of Mr. Sullivans letter of the 19th September 1857

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Revenue Board's Office
Fort St. George
7th November 1857 —

/ Signed / J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

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No. 314

To

J. D. Sim Esqr.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

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B. No. 4006 Sir

From the Collr. of

Tinnevelly

With reference to the Boards Endorsement on Petition No. 3701 of 1856 herewith returned I have the honor to submit the following report

1 The Petitioner states that in 1242 he together with two other persons named Thurmaraja Pillay and Arunthapurapaudi Pillay executed a Muchilika and obtained the Hill Rents of Calacaud Thuroocoorongoody and Vullyoor for Rupees but that owing to a dispute between this Government and Travancore regarding the Hills at Vullyoor he did not enjoy the produce of the same which Farm was consequently kept under Attumary and till while the case stood thus his property was sold by auction in satisfaction of the balance of Rent.

2 On a search of the old records the original Durkast tendered by the Petitioner and one Thurmaraja Pillay on the 6th May 1833 previous to the sale of the above rent for Fusly 1242, has been found which shows that the

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the Petitioner and the other Individual above named were willing to hold the rent of the Calacaud Hill on payment of Rupees 185 per annum the Chittahs and other papers forthcoming from the Talook records contain the following entries viz.

"Receipts on account of the Hill rent of Calacaud"

"Receipts on account of the Hill rent of Thuroocoorongoody attached to Do."

3 The Petitioner states that he had obtained the Hill rents of Calacaud Thungoonary and Vullyoor but the Purkast tendered by him on the occasion contains the mention of only the Calacaud Hill

4 The Petitioner further states that as the rent of the Vullyoor Hill was not enjoyed by him in consequence of the same having been taken possession of by Mr. Hughes on the ground that it was included in the grant obtained by him from Travancore he sustained a loss of Rs. 380-5-4 and requests that the amount unjustly collected from him on account of the balance of rent may be refunded to him.

5 It appears that the Petitioner having started causeless objections to pay the arrears of Rent outstanding against him on the ground that he did not enjoy the produce of the Hill that was not as shown above included

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included in his rent the same was realized a
to Regulations

6 Besides as the Petitioner has f
forward his claim for the restoration of
sum that was collected from him about 24
ago it cannot now be taken into consideration.

Tinnevelly Collectors
Circuit Cutcherry Tincausey
6th October - 1857

/ Signed / J. Silver
Collector

B.d No. 3864

Order thereon

(268-269)

Ordered that the following Endorse
ment be passed upon the above Petition

"Petitioner claims refund of Rupees 380
on the ground that the Cullyoor Hills which
were leased to him with those of Calacand
and Thuroboorcongoody were taken possession
of by a Mr. Hughes as being included in
a grant obtained by him from the Travan
Government From a report received from
the Collector The Board learn that Petitioner
in his original dunkast dated 6th May 1856
offered to pay Rupees 1185 per annum for the
rent of the Calacand Hills no mention being
made of Cullyoor. the claim is therefore inad
admissible. The collection it is observed of
this Rupees 380- 5- 4 was made upwards of 12
Years ago.

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No. 256

To

I. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

(270)

Bd. No. 4136

From the Collr of
North Arcot

Sir

I have the honor to state for
the information of the Board that I have
with reference to Note 4 Circular Order Board
of Revenue dated 3d August 1840. approved of the
proposal of the Sub collector to transfer the
Tahsildars of Arcot to the Paloor Talook for
the reasons given in the accompanying copy of
a letter from Mr. Sullivan dated 1st April 1857

2 An order was issued by me on the 8th
April cancelling the sale of land No. 519
adverted to in para 3 of Mr. Sullivans letter
The Tahsildar was informed in that order that
he was liable to be held responsible to the purchaser
for any loss the purchaser might incur -

North Arcot
Collectors Cutcherry
Chittoor 19th October 1857

/ Signed / C. Whittingham
Collector

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giving rise to an independence and litigeousness of spirit not elsewhere met with—

7. The duties of the Tahsildar consist in the Collection of the Land Revenue Demand and adjustment of disputes about the parties from whom it is due (for many usufructuary tenants pay Revenue and are entitled to do so) the parcels of land on Garden trees on which it is assessed, &c. On the head of the Tahsil denotes the dissovery and assessment of Concealed unassessed or increased Cultivation whether immemorial or western temporary cultivated—The examination of claims to Remissions or exemptions on Rice and Garden lands as well as under the head of Motharpha—The apportionment of the Land Revenue Demand on alienations or sub Divisions of assessed land (an intricate and often laborious duty)—the detection and rectification of frauds in Relation to these alienations of Revenue (often involving extensive Survey and measurement) the Collection of arrears by sale of property, &c.

8. Another extensive branch of a Tahsildar's duty in Malabar arises from the fluctuating nature of the sources of Land Revenue known under the names of Tiruvilla Nair Pemain / Melvaram / Kolvaram / Nokkuvaram / modern / Hill Cultivation / yellow / Coil Seed

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yellow and of land not brought under perma-
nent Land Revenue assessment, but subject
to annual inspection and valuation of the
Standing Crops—The Revenue dependent on these
three sources is shewn in the margin
and the whole administration of
these heads Requires the closest and
very laborious supervision of the
Tahsildar—

	Fasly 1265 Rs	Fasly 1266 Rs
Modan	23,519	36,850
Ponam	14,567	16,179
yellow	12709	15069
Total	50,825	68,998

No of Cowles for 5 years 3453

9. The issue of Cowles forms another exten-
sive branch of labor and responsibility as most
cases are attended with enquiry into conflicting
claims or objections by Proprietors or soi-disant pro-
prietors—The land is inspected and classed—the probable
Crops and outlay estimated by the Tahsildar
before the accounts are submitted and when
of the Collection the Cowle is issued, the Case Requires constant
watching that the land may be brought into
Condition to pay the instalments—

10 Enquiries as to enam and Survanam Lands and the management of extensive esc-
heats existing in Malabar devolve on the Tah-
sildar—Their difficult and intricate character
is known to the Board—sales of lands by decree of
Civil Court, Require careful watching in the interest

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of the public and the duty devolves on the Tahsildar

11. The valuation of land taken for public purposes and of compensation payable for improvements adds largely to business- that for Railway land has during this year fallen short of 1½ lac of Rupees in Malabar-

12. Add to these the Treasury duties and heavy pecuniary responsibilities of a Tahsildar connected with the receipts from 40 to 60 different sources amounting to lacs of Rupees requiring minute watch over his subordinates the disbursement of salaries to about 163 officials of all grades- the drawing and paying contingent and Sundry Bills- paying Military and Railway Bills- Civil Engineers' Drafts- and debiting of Postal, Salt, Sea Customs, D.P. Works Receipts and disbursements, &c. &c. The Tahsildar is the Stamp Darogah of his Taluk for which he draws a Commission; but he has to maintain at his own cost one or more Gomastahs at several stations- the Moonsiff's Court is at a different station from the Taluk Office and a detached staff of Officers must be kept up there under the Tahsildar's responsibility-

13. Other numerous duties devolve on him in the conducting the periodical Census- in the management of his subordinates- applications for appointments and enquiry into fitness and responsibility of Village officers, Peons, &c.- applications for leave- dismissal of public servants- enquiry into validity of security and servitude tendered by Public officers- There are besides Miscellaneous duties

† He gives security to the amount of 5000 Rupees-

‡ The detachments are paid at the Taluk- and Railway Bills are drawn direct on Talooks Treasuries-

This is the case in 6 Talooks-

† Moodyastems-

duties connected with District Posts and enquiries relating to lost letters, parcels, &c. by Regular post- Runners hats, torches, Postal Payments- posting Bearers, Conservancy of Public Bungalows, Choultries and Inspection thereof, supplying troops and travellers with food and Carriage, aiding D.P.W. Reports of failure of works, &c. measures for improving the products of the Country, Exhibitions &c. &c.

14. Every Tahsildar transacts a good deal of business which cannot be pointed to in official Returns- who for instance, amicable adjustment of disputes about distribution of Malabar allowances, family properties, &c. &c. are sought at the hands of the Collector- they are referred to the Tahsildars, and the more able and zealous the officer the more duty of this character devolves upon him-

15. The qualities of character and temper, the energy, Courage and ability required to make a good Tahsildar are of the highest- His position is more important by far than that of a District Moonsiff, and his legal acquirements, especially in Criminal law, ought not to be inferior to his- judicial Compeers- His power and his opportunities for good and evil are incomparably greater and

more

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now numerous and his influence wider. Many thousands never see the Moonsiffs Cauzbut there is not a Cottage where the influence of a good Head Tahsildar may not brighten or darken the innates heart-

16. The position and merits of the Character & integrity of the District Moonsiffs throughout the Country have greatly improved within the last 12 or 15 years - our Courts worked and often by used Tahsildars have, I can confidently assert now decidedly improved in Character and integrity as a body they are becoming upright and intelligent those that yield to their manifold temptations are in a Minority - but I must earnestly plead for their being placed in precisely the same advantageous position in Regard to Emolument as the District Moonsiffs - the necessary expenses attending their travelling (night and day frequently) &c &c are far greater than a Moonsiffs, and their incidental outlay in entertaining Peons officers &c &c are enormous to a Moonsiff -

17- In short a Tahsildar can scarcely be honest unless he has other means besides his pay -

Calicut
21st October 1857 -

(Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector and
Magistrate -

Memo:

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No 1.

Memorandum shewing the various duties performed by Tahsildars prepared by Rama Kuiny, Tahsildar of Betatnaad, with Reference to the orders issued by the Collector of Malabar in Conformity with the letter from the Board of Revenue dated 22d august 1857, No 2788 -

Revenue Department -

	Collection	No of Revenue Payers	Summa or amount	Revenue		
1	Land Revenue on Lands	9211	6871.3	7	5	
2	" Gardens		29,552	1	"	
3	" Modons	3569	1255	5	11	
4	" Pullimarkails		156	5	8	
5	" Ellow oil seed Cultivation		539	13	10	
6	" Coonjah or dry Grain Do		"	"	"	
7	" Ponam or Hill Cultivation		"	"	"	
8	Protessha on Houses, Shops, warehouses, &c &c	2541	5,574	1	4	
9	Abkarree, Hutty, Chatty or Knife and Hill Taxe		1568	"	"	
10	Ferry Farmes		44.10	"	"	
	Total Collection in Fusly 1266		11,1799	3	2	

Disbursements

As per Reports of Balance of Cash furnished to the Collectors Office

1	Revenue Department, Salaries, Sudermuttu Charges, &c &c	3541.54	10	"
2	Judicial and Police Do Do Do	1764	"	5
3	Miscellaneous Charges	1824	"	2
4	General Treasury, Madras Bills discharged	87000	"	"
5	Collectors Money orders Do	22,184	14	6
6	Military Department	"	"	"
	Total Disbursements in official year 1856/57	11,8206	15	1

1- This Taloork Contains altogether 29 Towns or Parishes As Regards Revenue Collection, & Marginally indicated, it is to be remarked that although the items of Revenue, with the exception of No 3 to 7 bear a permanent Summa or assessment

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Rules - still when unpropitious season
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and occasions a failure of Crops when
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No. 2 from plantations going to the
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Revenue Department - As to

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Particulars of Accounts furnished to the Huzzoor Cutcherry -

1	Daily Report of Treasury Re: =ceipts and Disbursements	Next day	Agmash or testing sur: =veying made by the Tahsildar himself - 2. Statements as per Margin are then pre: =pared in the Tahsils office and submitted to the Huzzoor Office dur: =plicates being Kept in the Tahsils office - 3. The Revenue Riots or =stalments are 8 in Number
2	Trimonthly Report of Balance of Cash Remaining in the Treasury	on the 12th of the Months	
3	Trimonthly Report of Stamped Paper and Cadjans	Do.	Do.
4	Trimonthly Report of Postage Labels	Do.	Do.
5	Bimonthly Accounts of Collec: =tions up to 20th and last day of each Month	on the 22d of the Months and 2d of the following Months	
6	Statement of Demand Collection and Balance	22d of the Months	
7	List of Pensions paid with Receipts from Pensioners	12th of the following Months	
8	Muster Roll of Pensioners	5th of Do.	
9	Statement Shewing the state of Public Bungalows	Do.	Do.
10	Land Revenue, Registhundy account	22d of the Months	
11	Account of Interests Realized (on arrears of Revenue) Statements	Do.	Do.

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12	Statement of Court Certificates for the Refund of stamps duty Received upto 5th and 20th of each Month and Compared with the Talook Register-	7th and 23rd of the Month	All cases where objections and impediments in Regard to Collection are raised by the Payers- the Tahsildar himself inquires either in adjusting disputed, or forcing the demand by attachment & other legalized measures
13	Monthly Accounts of Treasury Receipts and disbursements	2d of the following Month-	
14	Monthly account of stampt papers and Cadjans ——	Do. Do.	
15	Do. Do. of Postage labels.	Do. Do.	
16	10 Salary Lists ——	1st Do.	
17	Sadirmared Accounts	5th Do.	
18	6 Accounts Connected with postal Department ——	5th Do.	
19	Price lists of staple articles	10th Do.	
20	Report on the state of the season	25th of the month-	
21	Rain Report ——	2d of the following month	
	Quarterly-		
1	Account of Postage Lables on hand	5th of the Months following the Quarter	of each & single such instance an account is submitted to the higher Authority in Conformity with
2	Price lists of articles at the various public Bungalow Stations	Do. Do.	
3	Account of Shroffs property	5th of the Months following the Quarter-	
4	List of Sunnds Adigarries and Peons ——	1st of —— Do. ——	

5	Returns of fines awarded under Regulation IX of 1822 ——	1st of the Months following the Quarter-	with whose instructions the property is either sold by public auction or the demand otherwise adjusted — the responsibility of this and the duty of Collecting the Government Revenue Especially on the Talookdar and he is responsible for the Talook Treasury from which Receipts and disbursements on a large Scale Military Railway
6	Do. of fines on Public servants on the Receipt of pay of 10 Rupees and upwards ——	Do. Do.	
7	Do. of Public Servants dismissed and suspended —	Do. Do.	
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3	Gardens- Statement of new gardens assessed —	Do. Do.	
4	Do. of increase in old gardens from Young trees becoming productive —	Do. Do.	
5	Do. of trees which have become unproductive	Do. Do.	
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12	Statement of Court Certificates for the Refund of stamp duty Received upto 5th and 20th of each Month and Compared with the Talook Register-	7th and 23d of the Month	remarks All cancelled Objections and impediments in Regard to Collectors are raised the Papers to Tahsildars himself in Person with adjustments disputed forcing demand attachment other legal measures of each single instance an account is submitted to the legislative Authority in Conformity with
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4	List of Summadi Adigarrias and Menons ——	1st of —— Do ——	

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7	Kuthy or Toddy Kurimes-Statement of new Kurimes taxed	30th Instt.	
8	Statement of Kurimes no longer in use	Do.	Do.
9	Do. of Remissions to be granted	Do.	Do.
10	Moturpha-Statement shewing new items added to Moturpha	Do.	Do.
11	Statement of Houses shops &c. gone to decay	Do.	Do.
12	Do. of Remissions to be granted	Do.	Do.
13	Abstract Comparative Statement Relating to all the Tumshams which should accompany the above Returns	Do.	Do.
1	Statement of Public Servants as they exist on the 30th April	10th May	
2	Annual List of Pay of Public Servants	10th June	
3	Do. Do. of Batta to Prisoners	Do.	Do.
4	General Summabundy account exhibiting the particulars of Summa Vcas. of each Tumshams	15th June	
5	Statement of new Avenue Trees planted	10th	Do.
6	Statement of Subrums and Tanks Vcas. built for Charitable purposes	5th	Jany.

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7	Statement of Contingent Charges incurred in the Talooks	15th June	
8	Statement of Modern Cultivation upland for the whole Talook	15th October	
9	Do. of Pally Manjarjil	Do.	Do.
10	Do. of Ellow or oil seed	Do.	Do. Do. Do.
11	Do. of Magarow Pallimaukail &c.	15th Febry.	
12 19	Statements received from the Timshams according to new forms of Revenue Account		
	Ryotwar or Correspondence Department-		
1	Revenue order File Book Monthly	10th of the following month	
2	Tarsee or waste land order	Do.	Do. Do. Do.
3	Maramut	Do.	Do. Do. Do.
4	Railway	Do.	Do. Do. Do.
5	Talook Arzee File Book	Do.	Do.
6	List of orders issued to Subordinate Talook officers Vcas.	5th	Do.
7	List of Fines on Holidays	Do.	Do.
8	Half yearly Register of Securities from public servants the Competency of which has been established by enquiry	1st Decr. and 1st June	
9	File Book of orders on Petitions to Board of Revenue and Government Monthly	3rd of the following month.	
10	List of places where the Talsildar has held his Cutcherry Monthly	2nd	Do.

of lands Vcas during the Summabundy Settlement for that Fusly amounted in the aggregate to 11,12 and the whole of which had to be duly investigated- A similar number of Petitions of this nature is received every year- The duties detailed above are those which usually fall more or less on every Talsil: dar- It is simply to give the particulars of these duties that an Abstract of

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of Receipts and Disbursements in the Talooks with a detail of accounts relating to them which are furnished within the prescribed period, is exhibited in the margin. Besides this in some Talooks funds to the

N.B. Trunk Railway and Military Disbursements

Amount of 4,000 Rupees have to be retained in the Talook Treasuries on the Responsibility of the Tahsildar to meet Current expenses according to orders.

Applications for waste lands on Cowles.	
Applications for immemorial waste on Cowles for Gardens Received in 1856	Nos 59
Cases in which disputed claims on Do had to be investigated into and settled	15
Applications for waste lands on Cowles for Paddy Cultivation	11
Cases in which disputed claims on Do had to be investigated into and settled	6
Applications for waste lands assessed	2

6. In this Taluk there are numerous lands immemorially as also lands which, though assessed, have been allowed to lie waste and are included from the Immemorial Cultivation if waste is likewise

advancing in all parts of the Country Ryots apply for such lands for the purpose

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of bringing them into Cultivation and obtain them with a temporary remission of the Land tax with this view the lands have to be inspected and measured and the periods for which an exemption from Revenue should be allowed being then determined according to Circumstances in Consideration of the expenses attending their improvement. accounts are submitted to the Collector from whom Cowles are obtained and furnished to the applicants. These bring the lands into Cultivation, but the Constant supervision of the Tahsildar does not cease. Care must be taken to see that they Conform to the Conditions of the Cowle and that the instalments are paid up and the land Cultivated. The weight of this business lies especially on the Tahsildar when applications for Cowles are received many petitions in opposition to the claims of the applicants are presented by others advancing their own claims for Cowles. The Task of enquiring and investigating into such

Cowles

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Counter Petitions and Reporting upon
to the higher authority is also a part
the Tahsildar's business. These cases
exceedingly numerous in Consequ
of the peculiarity of the tenures &c
Malabar.

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Transfer of Summa from one party's
name to that of another.

Cases in which applications for such
Transfers were made in Fasly
1266 ——— 731

Of these cases in which disputes
about transfers had to be
enquired into &c ——— 219

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assessment be equitably apportioned
as divided as the case may be, and an
account, exhibiting the particulars of
such cases in each Tinshom, is prepared
annually and are often the Results
of long and laborious enquiries, and
involve decisions of a Responsible
and Judicial Character.

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These cases disclose
alienations of an irregular character,
often carrying the enquiry far further
into the tenures and ancient alienation
than in the single instance could have
been anticipated. The annual number
of Cases of this description is very considerable.

Revenue Department.

Arzees submitted in the Land Revenue Dept^t to the Huzzoor Sookeddy Cutcherries in 1856	322	
Do. Do. in Inaamut Depart^t in Do.	181	
Do. Do. about waste Lands in Do.	50	
Do. Do. in the Tappal Depart^t in Do.	11	
Do. Do. in sundry matters in Do.	45	
Letters sent to other Talook Cutcherries &c in Do.	560	
Patteas to Tinshome or Village officials in Do.	2838	
Total	4000	

9. Besides
the duties above
indicated there
are many other
miscellaneous
ones appertaining
to the office
of

Copies of all these should also be kept in the
Talook Cutcherry

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Examining in the Villages under rent the lands which have suffered from flood or drought for the purpose of ascertaining whether the produce exceeds or falls short of the percentage fixed for a division of crop between the Government and the Ryot - the crops being harvested under the Superintendence of the Tahsildar or his subordinates in the latter case.

Transferring to the Meerassidars or other parties the Government share of the produce of the lands reaped under Amany and collecting its value.

Assisting the Meerassidars in harvesting the crops.

Collecting and directing the Subordinates from time to time to collect the Government revenue by the fixed monthly instalments from November to June.

Attaching and selling moveable property in satisfaction of arrears of land revenue in cases where payment is refused on grounds not admissible.

Renting the Jungles and public fisheries and collecting the rent.

Collecting from the owners a proper fine for injury done to crops by cattle.

Seeing that the several subordinate servants do their duties properly.

Remitting the collections to the Huzoor Treasury at the end of each month.

Distributing salaries to the Talook servants.

Superintending the Talook letter Dawks.

Selling Stamps.

In cases of sales of land transferring the Meerassy to the name of the purchaser.

Reporting

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Reporting to Hoozoor on application from the Meerassidars for grants of rent free land for backyards.

Superintending the cultivation of Poramboke waste &c. lands taken up for cultivation on Durkast and reporting to Hoozoor on application for the same.

Enquiring into and disposing of Petitions presented to the Tahsildar and those referred to him by the Collector and Assistants and reporting on such as should be disposed of by that authority.

Delivering to the parties concerned the Petitions addressed to Board &c. after they are received back from those authorities with their endorsements.

Enquiring into and reporting to Hoozoor on Enam lapses.

Selling by auction such of the avenue trees as fall down or are useless for purposes of shade.

Preserving the Talook records.

Examining the Talook Treasury from time to time

Paying the Pagoda allowances.

Furnishing the Salt Department with Palmyra leaves for covering the heaps of Salt.

Taking care of the public halls.

Causing the necessary repairs to be done to the dilapidated Choultries situated on the public roads either by the proprietors or at the public cost on report to Hoozoor

Receiving into the Talook Treasury the collections on account of Sea Customs, &c. as also the batta money sent by the District Moonsiffs in order to its being remitted to other Districts.

Examining under orders from Hoozoor the property tendered by the public servants as security for their situation.

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Seeing that the vaccinators do their duty properly, and sending orders to the Village authorities to render them every aid in so doing.

Attending to the several Takeeds daily received from the Hoozoor

Furnishing Coolies to the Salt Department for embanking the Salt pans and removing the Salt to the platforms &c.

Corresponding with the Taksildars of other Talooks on affairs connected with the cultivation &c of the lands held by parties residing in their Talooks.

Sending the Talook servants concerned in Law Suits to the Court at their requisition.

Transferring the Meerassy Registry to the party for whom judgment is given in Suits regarding lands, and sending orders to the Peishcar &c to assist the Court peon in placing him in possession.

Superintending the cultivation &c of the lands held under attachment under orders from Court and those belonging to Government.

Furnishing supplies to Troops.

Remitting on examination and with the sanction of the Hoozoor, the assessment on lands unfit for cultivation giving to the Ryots other good land to make up the Dittum extent.

Corresponding with the Hoozoor.

Submitting the periodical returns

Police.

Receiving all complaints except those for adultery, abuse of authority, and those preferred against Europeans.

Issuing summonses to the parties concerned in each complaint.

Trying

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Trying and disposing of all cases which the Head of Police is competent to decide, recording the depositions or conducting the enquiry by word of mouth.

Disposing of trivial cases by amicable interposition between the parties.

Reporting for the orders of the Magistrate cases in which the Head of Police deems the punishment he is authorized to inflict inadequate.

Submitting to the Magistrate copy of the decision passed by the Head of Police in cases which he is competent to dispose of.

Sending to the Magistrate cases to be decided by him.

Sending to the Court cases in which the parties are committed by the Head of Police.

In cases of murder, robbery, highway robbery, theft, house breaking, setting fire to houses and other heinous crimes, proceeding to the spot, and enquiring into them.

Sending the persons who have received wounds in an assault to the Surgeon for medical aid.

In cases of murder sending the body if practicable to the Surgeon for medical examination.

Holding inquests over the dead bodies found upon the public roads &c and causing them to be buried at the public expense reporting the same to the Magistrate.

In the event of the persons so found dead having any money &c about them, delivering the same to the relatives if any are forthcoming the property being sent to the Court in the other case.

Publishing the notification received from the Court on the above subject.

Holding enquiry into cases of accidental deaths.

In cases of robbery, theft, &c securing the aid of the Heads of Police of the neighbouring Talooks in detecting them and rendering them similar assistance at their requisition.

Communicating with the Heads of Police of other Talooks for the attendance for trial of persons concerned in any case who may reside in their limits and sending parties at their requisition.

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Sending to the Court unclaimed property and publishing the notification received therefrom about the same..

Settling hire for bandies, bearers and Coolies furnished to Travellers..

Watching the conduct of vagabonds and persons of a notoriously bad character..

Going rounds at night and seeing that the peons &c discharge their duty properly

Keeping the streets &c clean..

Preserving the peace in the markets, fairs, and other public meetings..

Taking care to prevent accidents to the people when the Pagoda Cars are drawn..

Dealing with stray Cattle according to the regulations..

Preventing the sale of unwholesome edibles..

Preventing the inhabitants of the British Territories from being seduced to foreign countries..

Do the mixture with liquor of articles injurious to the health of the people..

Do accidents by fire..

Preventing encroachments on the public roads, &c

Do the use of earth Salt

Paying Batta to prisoners.

Adopting proper measures for apprehending the Convicts who have effected their escape from the Jail, &c.

Seeing that the room in which prisoners are confined is kept clean and taking proper care of the manacles, &c.

Taking care of the Police records.

Taking care to prevent people from carrying arms from any place to any other place without a passport.

Seeing that false weights and measures are not used, and examining and stamping them when required..

Seeing that forged coins do not pass current.

Keeping a daily register of the Proceedings of the Head Police.

Submitting the periodical returns.

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Obtaining from Curnums and Peishcars, estimate of all earth and Masonry works required in the Talook in a year.

Examining and checking the above estimates, deciding by inspection of the Localities, whether the works are necessary or not, and submitting such of the needful estimates as are below Rupees 100 for masonry and Rupees 50 for earth-works to the Collector, and the other estimates above those limits to the superintendent or other Officer of the Engineer's Department - also applying to the Collector for such sums as are needed for the execution of the works.

On the receipt of instructions from the Collector for the execution of the different works appointing a sufficient number of servants for each work - advancing the necessary sums to them, and furnishing them with instructions for their guidance - Inspecting the works now and then - inviting proposals for the supply of bricks, Chunam and other materials - calling for the Contractors and their sureties in person - taking Moochilickas &c, from them, and advancing money to them - Seeing that good materials are made ready, and that each work is properly done.

In the case of any important earth-work, fixing what quota of it is to be performed per Daily of land in the neighbouring Villages, and directing the Local Officers to supply the necessary Labor - On the arrival of the Laborers marking out the site of work for each Village, and taking other steps for completing the work - also frequently inspecting and superintending the work during its progress.

After the completion of the works, reporting the circumstance to the Engineers' Department, and furnishing them with detailed account of expenditure for each work for the purpose of enabling them to examine the works.

When the Officers of the Engineer's Department visit the Talook for the

the purpose of framing Estimates and examining the works done, affording them assistance in the execution of their duties by placing under their orders the Maramut Goomastah and some Votennum and Peon and supplying them with Provisions when paid for.

Submitting to the Collector and Civil Engineer periodical reports of the progress of important works.

Shewing disputed works to the Civil Engineer during his stay in the Talook and bringing the disputes to a settlement.

Inspecting the roads in the limits of his Talook and reporting to the higher authorities any important repairs which they may require, causing the minor ones to be made by the Meerasidars.

Inspecting the river banks during high freshes, and taking steps to prevent the occurrence of breaches in them.

In case of breaches repairing to the spot and closing the breach.

During low freshes collecting the Meerasidars concerned proceeding with them up the rivers, removing any impediments to the free flow of water, and securing irrigation to the lands in his Talook.

Taking various other measures for the execution of works

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No. 124.

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

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B. No. 4285
From the Collector
of Bellary.

Sir,

I have the honor to for-
ward a Memo. exhibiting the duties
performed by the Tahsildars drawn
up by Ranghavendra Row, the Tahsil-
dar of Punchapollem, as directed by
the Board of Revenue in your letter
No. 2788 of 22d August last – The
Memo. is not concise, but it shews
minutely every duty the Tahsildar
has to perform, and from it Mr
Ricketts will be able to make an
Abstract in any form he may require.
There are four Columns appended
to the Memo. which shew the degrees
of labour required for each particu-
lar duty enumerated in the Memo. –

Bellary
Collector's Office,
24th October
1857.

I have &c
(Signed) C. Pelly
Collector.

Memorandum. –

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Enclosing the account of the disbursement
with the Head and Pagodas – &c &c &c

Enclosing the execution of the Sheristadar
Meer Ayoob Saheb –

Furnishing the prescribed Memorandum
Departments under his charge

As may be now and then ordered from by the Hoozoor.

(Signed) H. D. Pheeps
Acting Collector.

granted to the Ryot this duty has become more easy, it has therefore been entered as a second class duty.—

Second. After the completion of the arrangements for cultivation an abstract shewing the Bery of the whole Taloot is submitted to the Hoozoor.———

2 The Curnums once a month inspect the lands engaged by the ryots and furnish the Tahsildars with the accounts in the Board's Form giving particulars as to the lands sown and left waste from which the Tahsildar prepares an account for the whole Taloot and submits it to the Hoozoor within the 15th of the month following that to which it refers.———

3 He at the same time, when he makes the arrangements for the cultivation, settles the disputes of the Reddies and Curnums in regard to their turns to go into Office, and nommates the parties who are to conduct the Circar duties for that year.———

4 He, as a check against misappropriation on the part of the Reddies of money they may Collect, takes suitable Security from them and after receipt of Security bonds for all the Villages, submits a list of the same to the Hoozoor.———

5 The Curnums and Tillaries previous to the Jummabundy take an account of the number of Looms, Sheep Indigo Vats, Cotton machines, &c. and look into the different professions requiring manual labour upon which the Baghy Veesabudy Tax is realized, and upon that arrangements are made by the Tahsildar for the striking off the tax of Sub ryots whose e[illegible]

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trades and professions have ceased in consequence of death, poverty, and desertion and for taxing new Ryots, and increasing the tax of such of the old Ryots who have increased their means of livelihood and a Dowle Beriz is then fixed, which is submitted to the Hoozoor at the time of Summabundy and the payers of the tax are made to attend upon the Hoozoor-the Hoozoor Shereistadar then inspects the said account and if any reduction is found necessary to be made owing to circumstances that may have transpired subsequent to the fixing of the Dowle Beriz it is done and the remainder is entered in the printed Form of the account of this Revenue and Puttahs are thereupon prepared which are distributed in the presence of the Cutcherry at the same time [illegible] Land Revenue Puttahs are given, and if the Ryots are dissatisfied with the settlement made they appeal by Petition and the European Officer presiding over the settlement grants remission when found necessary according to the merits of the case, and this is deducted in the Puttah-when this enquiry is going on the Tahsildar has to be present and afford explanation.

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6 The time for commencing the Veesbady settlement is the beginning of October, but in the event of Summabundy taking place early it is not Commenced till after the latter is closed when the Ryots are summoned by a notice issued according to Regulation IV of 1818, and an enquiry held in regard to the probable diminution of this Revenue owing to death, poverty, &c. from which the probable increase chargeable on new Ryots is deducted, and the Tahsildar then sees that a fair adjustment of the remaining

decrease

decrease in reference to the amount of Beriz fixed by the Government is made by the Punchayet, and that Eyculanmahs are executed—After the completion of which he draws up an abstract account of the Veesabady settlement and submits it to the Hoozoor, and after the Beriz is confirmed by the Hoozoor he prepares puttahs and sends them to the Hoozoor with the Coolwar Jon Kand Deetwar and Coanmar abstract account, & and after the puttahs are returned bearing the Collector's seal and signature, he causes them to be distributed among the Ryots by the Tahsildars from whom he obtains lists of the same & receives

submits them to the Hoozoor, and when any of the ryots appeal against the decisions within 3 days he forwards the appeal petitions to the Hoozoor and afterwards carries out the orders of the Collector thereon.

7 The time for renting out the Tamarind and Mango trees, pasture grounds, Hill forests &c comprised under the head of "Sundry small Farms and Licences," also the new Topes under the head of "Government Plantation" and the Mala Managem, Madiga Managem, Goller Managem, Coomber Managem, and Dholy Managem or privileges enjoyed by the Heads of the Paria, Chuckler, Shepherd, Potter and Washer Castes and also the privilege of manufacturing bangles, is the beginning of August

August, and the Tahsildar at that time invites the Renters of the preceding year and others and puts up the rents to Competition, and after concluding the contracts receives contract bonds and Security from the renters and so intimate an account of the same together with the Contract bonds and puttahs to the Zoorjoor where they are examined, and the puttahs are returned bearing the Collector's Seal and Signature which he causes to be delivered to the Renters by the Villadars and obtains from them lists of the same and forwards them to the Zoorjoor.——

8 After the expiration of the Sowing season an inspection of the fields is held by the Villahours and Rishears in the month of November to ascertain the extent of the cultivation and waste and an abstract is prepared of the same which is delivered to the Zoorjoor at the Jummabundy.

9 On the arrival of the Zoorjoor the Tahsildar for the Jummabundy settlement, the Tahsildar has in the first instance to cause the attendance of the Cummums and after the Coolwar Chittahs are prepared he has to produce the Reddies and Ryots, and to be present when the settlement is being made to explain the causes of the lands being left unmentivated whether from failure of rain, insufficient water in Tanks, Pullahs, and wells bursting of Tank bunds, &c. or other unavoidable causes such as Sickness, death, loss of Cattle, &c. or whether from culpable neglect he also affords information in regard to the Circumstances of the Ryots, and the Tahsildar thereupon either grants or remission

and receipts obtained for the same, after which the book showing the payments made, is sent to the Zillah Cashkeeper.—

16. The Barrawand of Pensions and Pagoda Vth charitable allowances, is submitted to the Zillah thro' the Cashkeeper on the 20th of each month. And on receipt of an order from the Zillah, the total amount is taken from the Revenue collected, and carried to credit in the separate account already alluded to the payments are made to those present within the time for despatching the remittances to the Zillah, and the unpaid portion if it is sent with the remittances to the Zillah Treasury together with a list of the payments made & the receipts of the incumbents. — — — /

17. The work entailed on the Tahsildar in disposing of stamp papers is the endorsing and affixing signatures to the stamps previous to selling the same, keeping a Register of sales according to recent orders, holding a monthly examination of the stamps and sending an account of the same to the Zillah. — — — /

18. He has to sell Postage labels to parties entitled to the higher rate of discount and to others also according to recent orders.— — — — /

19. He receives orders from the Superintendent of Military Police and occasionally from the Collector also in regard to providing bearers for travelling Gentlemen — when he collects bearers and sends them to the different stages with lists of charges — and in the event of any Gentleman not paying the charges, he submits a Memo: with an Urzee to the Zillah, and on receipt of the money pays it to the bearers.— — — / —

20. He makes a collection of all the Urzees and other papers that have to be sent from his Taluk to the Zillah and other Taluks and also those received from the other Taluks and makes them over to the Monthly Tappal Coomaslah to be

despatched

despatched at the proper time.—

21 On the receipt of orders from the Honble to provide supplies to troops, he sends money to the different Peishkars and Zellahdars with instructions to have necessary supplies ready at the different stages within their range, and besides furnishing them with peons, sends written orders to the Village authorities to afford them every assistance and if any articles of Provision are not procurable at the stages where the provisions are being collected, he sends to other places for the same and after the troops have passed on, receives Returns of the supplies from the different authorities to see if they are correct, and submits a report to the Honble on the subject.—

22 Duties connected with Petitions.— 1 " " "

Petitions 1 " " "

and other Village Servants, also by Cumdars and others to the Government, the Board of Revenue and the Collectors stating their grievances— and these Petitions are endorsed and sent to the Tahsildar, who enquires into the matters which lie within his cognizance and disposes of the same by endorsement on the Petition— a copy of which is sent with the Petition to the Honble another copy is furnished to the Petitioner and the original is placed on record in his Office— but if the matter is one disposable by the Collector, the records of the case are submitted to the Honble with an Urzee, and the Petitioner is furnished with an endorsement containing the purport of the Urzee, & after receipt of the Collector's order on the subject, it is made known by a Tahseeld.—

Second.— If the Petitions, addressed to the Tahsildar, are disposable by himself, he does so and furnishes the Petitioner with an endorsement containing his decision— but if the matter has to

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be referred to the Collector, & is done so and the Tahsildar on receipt of the Collector's decision matter is known by a tchit.

33. The Tahsildar has daily to hear and read to him the letters received from Peodies, Curnums, Gillad ars, and Reish-kars, and in regard to accounts from the Sheristedar, and to cause answers to be written to those which will admit of immediate reply, and those which require references to the records are answered as soon after as possible. The depositions taken, the draft of Urzees made, and the replies sent to other Talooks and other papers written daily are very numerous, and too much for one moonshee to do. There is a moonshee on a salary of 10 Rupees and an assistant on 3 or 4 Rupees for each Talook, but in consequence of the trifling remuneration allowed to the assistant Moonshee, no intelligent person can be got for that post, so that the generality of the persons holding this situation are scarcely able to do more than copy. They have not the ability to draft a letter themselves, and consequently can give no assistance in drawing up Urzees and taking down depositions &c. The Moonshee should have a good knowledge of the Regulations and circular Orders and of the orders issued from time to time by the Collector and should have practice in business. He should be able to write a quick and legible hand, and be a good reader, his health must also be good, so that he might be able to endure fatigue. He must also have a good memory and be able to answer readily when questioned on any subject. It is only with such hands that the business can be got on smoothly but if the Moonshy is deficient in these requisites, it tends to retard business. It is necessary therefore that there should be two intelligent Moonshees, one for the Revenue and the other for the Police duties, to the want of which is attributable to the slow manner in which the business is now carried on and the

necessity

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necessity found in the Forgoer for fre quent censures being passed and fines imposed upon the Tahsildars to avoid which the Tahsildars are necessitates to get Curnums and Volunteers to assist them to get through their work.

26. Correspondence.

First To address a Tahsildar of another Taluck to which a Ryot of his Taluck has emigrated requesting that a Document may be taken from the Ryot relinquishing the land he has held in his taluck if he is not desposed to retain it.

Second If Ryots betake themselves to other Talooks either from a desire of changing their residence, or with a view of evading payment of Veesabadi tax, a Memo of the revenue due by them is sent to the Tahsildars of those Talooks.

Third. The same in regard to Bandaga Veesabadi &c.

Fourth. When enquiring into lapsed Enams, if it comes to knowledge that the deceased held Enams in other Talooks, the Tahsildars of those Talooks are written to and an account of the Enams obtained in the usual Form, and the parties who have interest in the Enams are also sent for and deposi-tions taken from them The Tahsildar has much of this work.

Fifth. He has to send to the Post Master an account of fire sticks supplied to the Sappal Chowkies.

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Sixth— He has to write to the Stamp Darogah at the Hoozoor, according to the Collector's order, for Stamp papers, whenever they are required and to send receipts for what he receives—

Seventh— Besides having to write letters when sending remittances to the Hoozoor and sending for Salaries, receipts and accounts he is also to be sent as mentioned in No 33—

23 The guard over the Talook Treasury has to be changed every Quarterly in accordance with Circular Orders, and a report of the same has to be submitted to the Hoozoor———— "

26 The regud waste lands taken on Cowle for a term of 5 years have to be inspected at the termination of the term to ascertain if they have been cleared, and when the lands so taken are excessive, the Tahsildar has to inspect them himself but this seldom occurs———— "

27 The Tahsildar, on receipt of a report from the Reddy of a Village intimating the death of a holder of Butwarthy, Kyrathy or other Lands, has to report the circumstance immediately to the Hoozoor, and afterwards to send for and take depositions from the Claimants to the same, and also from the Village Authorities and witnesses and then prepare an account according to Form and to send a Copy of the same with an Urzee to the Hoozoor, this work entails much trouble———— 1 " " "

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28 The Talookdar has to report, if any of the Talook Servants are found unequal to the duties they have to perform, in accordance with the instructions issued in the Circular Order of the 15th May of justy 1206 No 2382 ——— "

29 He has to make arrangements and report to the Honour, for granting lands in lieu of Circar puttah or Enam lands taken for the purpose of Government Visit for building Cutcherries, Choultries, Court houses, Chattrums, cultivating poors planting Topes, and converting lands under Tanks into wet Lands &c ———

30 He has to inspect the Yeomiahdars and Colegars monthly previous to entering their names in the Barumaul

31 He has to prepare an account at the end of June in each year of the competency of the Securities furnished by the Servants connected with the Treasury, and to Submit the same with an urzee, and when a Surety dies or becomes poor, the circumstance is reported to the Collector and fresh Securities taken according to his Orders ———

32 He has to have new Topes planted when directed by the Collector to do so and promotes the growth of the Toomatees in every Village by having seeds sown ———

33 He has to take depositions from parties who kill wild beasts, and submit urzees to the Honour in regard to rewards payable to them, and has also to send accounts of rewards paid for destroying venomous Snakes ———

34 The following is a Memorandum of the accounts sent from the Talook to the Collector, Honour Cashkeeper and other departments. ———

1.5. Revenue Accounts Viz.

1 Statement of rains fallen, prepared from accounts furnished by the Tillahdars.

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2 Statement of the Supplies of water received by the Tanks

3 Abstract account prepared from the accounts furnished by the Cummums, of the Land Sircar, thes is submitted monthly up to the Summabundy time. –

4 Memorandum of the prices of provisions prepared from accounts of the same obtained from the Principal Towns in the Talook Thes is furnished fortnightly –

5 Report of Lapsed Inams

6 Statement of the prevalence of cholera

7 Do of the loss of cattle by Murrain.

8 Do of inspections of cultivation by Tillahdars

9 Comparative Statement of Collections made daily &c.

10 Statement of Cabooliats made at the different Pandys the Talook

12 List of Establishment –

13 Statement of Lands in the possession of Servants in the public employ from May to April –

14 Annual report regarding the state of Choultries, Chuttrums &c from November to the end of October 1857 –

15 List of the distribution of Veesabady Puttahs in each Village by the Several Cartroons. –

16 Statement shewing the plantation of Throomaplants during the Month. –

17 Statement of Ryots puttah Lands sold during the year in Satisfaction of decrees passed by the Civil Court. –

18 Do of the quantity of rain fallen as ascertained by the raingauge. –

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19 Annual account up to the end of June of deaths by Cholera and loss of cattle by Murrain among the different castes of people.

20 Annual account up to the end of June of the Fasbum. by Beriz shewing the increase and decrease in each Village with remarks, & also particulars as to whether the Surva and Jaree Enams have been cultivated by the Enamdars and others.

21 Statement of the number of packets received and despatched daily by post.

22 —— Do. —— of leave granted to Servants according to the New Rules.

23 —— Do. —— of Topes planted by private individuals under occupied from the payment of Teerwa.

24. Talabum Statement furnished at the time of Summabundy prepared both by the Talook and Village authorities shewing a Comparison between the Cabooleat and cultivation of the present and previous year under each head and source of irrigation &c.

25. Statement shewing the cultivation and waste of Enam Lands.

26. —— Do. —— Shewing the extent to which the dry Lands received moisture and the Supply of water received by the Tanks in each of the Carthies.

27. —— Do. —— of the New Topes.

28. Annual Cowle account.

29. Statement of Cowle Lands which have become fit for Cultivation.

30. Statement of Gouchy Cultivation.

31 Statement of Enams Cultivated by other Ryots who have not cultivated Circar Land.

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5. Comparative Statement of remittances and Invoices of remittances –

6 Cash balance account taken after despatch of remittances

7 Account of Collections of arrears –

8 Account shewing the demd, Collections and Balances of land Revenue Motorpha &c. early and revenues from Topes –

9 Account of Sayer Jumma shewing the amounts remitted and the balances in Bks 1 – 2 – 3 and 4 –

10 Account of receipts and balances during the month of each Province.

11 Bar accounts to be sent to the Bazaar and also to the Bazaar Treasury within the 20th of each month –

12 Account of Fire arms and Ammunition –

13 Annual account of Sayer Jumma up to June –

14. Monthly report recommending removals to be given to those who have discharges not to be sent in –
and 25th of each Month –

15 Quarterly return of the guard over the Treasury –

17 Annual account of the competency of the Securities of Public Servants –

18. Accounts No. 1 and 2, with receipts of Pensions &c paid to Pensioners &c to be submitted within the 20th of each month following that to which it refers –

19. List of Batta paid to Prisoners during a Month to be submitted within the 10th of the of the following month –

20 Bar account of the Monthly Post Establishment to be submitted to the Bazaar and also to the Bazaar Treasury within the 20th of the Month –

21 Yearly account of Postage Labels and Stamped papers the examinations being held on the 1st January and 1st July in each year –

22 Inspection list of Pensioned Sepoys submitted every four Months –

23 Monthly account of Salaries distributed.

24 Account of the Collections of Sayer and Sewoy Jumma and balance of each Ryot –

25. Account of the charges for transmission of remittances –

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26 List of Batta paid to Cuttabadey Peons who accompanied Remittance -

3 Accounts connected with the Mooshee Department Viz^t -

1. Register of Purwanahs and Urzees written in regard to Revenue, Magisterial and Maroomut matters -

2 List of Replies to Yaheeds in regard to Petitions requiring Endorsement -

3 Account of the duties performed daily by the Carkoons both in Revenue and Magisterial Departments -

1 Account Current belonging to the Maroomut Department -

3 Accounts which are sent to other Departments Viz^t -

1 Monthly Statement in N^o 1 2 3 4 and 5 to the Post Office which has to be sent on the 5th of the following month -

2 Receipts of the Post Department to be sent weekly -

3 Account of charges on account of Gunsticks supplied to runners -

The Shereistadar relieves the Tahsildar of two thirds of the labor in preparing these accounts if he happens to be an intelligent and experienced person, but if otherwise the whole labour devolves on the Tahsildar himself -

Magisterial Department -

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On the receipt of intelligence from a Village Police of a Theft, Murder, Highway robbery, Housebreaking and Theft, Robbery attended with violence, Torchlight robbery or other crime or offence committed in any Village, the Head of Police / Tahsildar / proceeds himself to the spot if the case is a serious one but if it be of an ordinary nature he has it sent up to him for investigation and after taking depositions from the parties, reports upon the case by Urzee and if the culprits have not been taken up by that time, he takes documents from the Village Police and Talaries, in which they bind themselves to apprehend them within a given time, and he also nominates Duffadars and peons to proceed with the Surchashmi to trace out the perpetrators and after the delinquents are apprehended, the case is examined by him and if it be within the pale of the powers of an Head of Police - he disposes of it himself, punishing the prisoners if for Petty Assault with fine not exceeding 3 Rupees or confinement for a period not exceeding 3 days

and in cases of theft of property within the value of 5 Rupees, with imprisonment with labour for a period not exceeding 10 days, but if the case is beyond the limit of his powers he forwards it with the copies of the depositions taken to the Magistrate or commits it to the Subordinate Criminal Court, and in the latter case sends copies of the depositions and all the other documents connected with the case to the Magistrate. Bail and released cases also are not disposed of until after an investigation has been gone through, which involves the taking of a number of depositions, copies of which have to be submitted to the Magistrate with an Abstract, there is much work of this description.

2. Jamahs of Peons and Village Servants are placed in those parts of the Talook where robberies &c are frequently committed, and the Head of Police / Inspector has to take notice of these Jamahs.

3. He has to take notice if the Village Servants patrol the Village at nights and if robberies occur notwithstanding their duty being performed he has to enquire into the case to ascertain whether it be owing to connivance or carelessness on their part or whether it be beyond their control, and to report their conduct to the Magistrate if they deserve punishment.

4. In cases of unnatural death &c an Inquest or examination has to be held which the Head of Police conducts himself if it has occurred within a convenient distance but if otherwise it is conducted by a Sub Officer of Police, who sends the proceedings to him and if he approves of the examination, he sends copies of the proceedings to the Magistrate with an Abstract but if he has cause to doubt the proceedings, he either goes to the spot himself or sends for the parties and enquiries into the matter, and reports the result to the Magistrate.

5. He has to take notice that wells are not left without

walls being built round them, and that pits are not dug in thoroughfares for earth to make bricks with and to prevent throwing rubbish in, and to report such cases to the Magistrate as require notice and punishment.

6. He has to examine the arms and ammunition in the Taluk cutcherry once a month and send a return of the same to the Sessions, and if any of the arms require repair they are sent up for that purpose.

7. The property of persons dying without heirs is sent with a list and Wyeu to the Subordinate Court direct in charge of a peon.

8. He has to report to the Magistrate the circumstance of unclaimed cattle found, in accordance with Regulation X of 1816, and the cattle are kept [illegible] the Village in which they are found, and in the meantime the Hillad ars of the Taluk and the neighbouring Taluk authorities are informed of it, in order that notice may be circulated of the same, and after the expiration of the prescribed period, a second Wyeu is addressed to the Magistrate for permission to sell the cattle on receipt of which they are sold and the proceeds of sale are remitted to the Treasury.

9. A diary is kept of all papers received on Police matters and of the examinations held and decisions given by the Head of Police, which he gets read to him daily previous to affixing his signature to it, and a copy of this diary for every fortnight is submitted to the Magistrate.

10. He gets the diaries of the Village Police officers examined by the Sub. Police Officer, and on receipt of their reports that they are properly kept, reports the same to the

Magistrate

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Magistrate by Virgee.—

11. The Village Police dispose of cases within their jurisdiction and send a report of the cases disposed of during the month to the Head of Police, who examines it to see if the decisions are correct and if he finds that any Village Police is deserving of punishment, he reports him to the Magistrate.—

12. The Village Police and other Police authorities have to watch the suspicious characters of a Village and report the same, and if the Head of Police sees reason to suspect their mode of living he examines witnesses in regard to such individuals in order to their being sent to jail, and reports the result to the Magistrate.—

13. Persons found bringing stolen property about for sale are taken before the nearest Village Magistrate and if there are then sent with the property and depositions together with a report to the Head of Police of the Taluk in which the property had been stolen.—

14. When a great robbery takes place in a Taluk lists of property robbed are sent to the authorities of the neighbouring Taluks.—

15. A ten days report has to be sent to the Honour according to present orders showing the number of crimes committed in the Taluk during that period and the number there of in which the perpetrators have been discovered.—

16. A daily report of Magisterial cases has to be sent to the Honour.—

17. Statements from No. 1 to 6 and a list of fines have to be sent monthly to the Honour.—

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Half yearly returns per Post

6 Reports from Nos 1 to 6

1 List of fines

1 Statement of unnatural deaths

1 Do of houses burnt down by accident

1 Do of deaths by drowning

1 Abstract of Report No 1

1 Do of Do No 3

19 Annual Reports per Post

1 Report No 1

1 List of Proclamations

1 Statement of persons who opposed and attacked robbers

1 Do of persons made away with by Thuggs

1 Do of houses burnt down by accident

1 Do of crimes and offences committed during the dark nights, fortnights contrasted with those committed during the Moonlight fortnights.

1 Do Shewing the portions collected of the fines imposed during the year and the portion commuted to imprisonment.

1 Abstract of Monthly Statement No 3.

1 Do of Statement No 5.

1 Statement Shewing whether the Village Police officers have submitted their returns regularly or otherwise.

1 Statement of deaths by drowning

1 Abstract of Statement No 1.

1 Do of Do No 3.

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1 When the Maramet Department was under the Collector, the Jahsildar had much to do in the way of making estimates for works, in collecting work people, in paying workmen, in looking after the works in progress, and in having works not satisfactorily executed pulled down and rebuilt but he

has

1774 Board of Guardians for Newington 1837.

Mr. Lewis to submit an account of the Expenses of the Select Vestry Meeting, as also the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee appointed to confer with the Commissioners of Sewers relative to the Sewer in Kennington Lane.

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No. 231

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

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13th No. 4316
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To Board of Revr
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Bellary Collector's Office
21st October 1857.

Signed

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spection found it was not the case — 7th Defendant
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straw removed by 1st Defendant subsequent to the
institution of this suit.

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contains nothing further.

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1 Prove that the ground in question is his property

8. Points for Defendant.

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Government and forms a portion of the bund
of the Tank.

9. Plaintiff's Documents.

A (35) authenticated Copy of an Extract —
from the Diary of the Assistant Civil Engineer dated
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11. 5th Defendant's documents.

No. I (27) Authenticated copy of the Pt. George account of Fusly 1802/1212 shewing that the land in question is Permmboke.

No. II (28) Do. of Fusly 1854/1264 shewing that the land in question is Permmboke

12. 5th Defendant's Witnesses

1. Mootteecamaroo Modelly, 2. Pully both of Peravan pullay 3. Canagoo pilley and 4. Sowmya pilley

Judgement.

13. This is clearly an attempt on the part of the Plaintiff to lay claim to the land in dispute on the strength of his having been by sufferance allowed for a long time to use it as a place for keeping his straw in. He can produce no document to shew his title thereto nor can he furnish any puttah to shew that he cultivated it (which he says he did in his reply) as garden or any other land while his two Witnesses (for he dispensed with the examination of the 3rd) merely broadly assert that the land is Plaintiff's that he planted Orange trees thereon and that it has long been used by him as a straw yard. Defendant on

on the other hand admitting that the spot has been used by Plaintiff as a straw yard, denies his proprietary right thereto and in support of his denial, filed documents to shew that the land has been Permmboke from 1802 to 1854 these documents are again supported by his Witnesses and it is shewn that the others who in like manner had used the neighbouring spots as straw yards delivered them up directly they were called upon so to do by the 5th Defendant. Feeling as the Court does that the Collector (5th Defendant) had an undoubted right to oust them whenever it appeared to the interest of Government to do so, the Plaintiffs claim under these circumstances is dismissed with all costs.

Costs incurred by Plaintiff

Value of stamp paper	12	8	"	"	"	"
Vakeels' fees	7	"	"	"	"	"
Peons' Batta	2	15	"	"	"	"
				22	7	"
Costs incurred by the 5th Defdt						
Vakeels fees	7	"	"	"	"	"
Batta to Witnesses	1	8	"	"	"	"
Peons' Batta	"	12	"	"	"	"
				13	4	"
Total Rupees				35	11	"

Dadnet.

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To Deduct.

Costs to be borne by Plaintiff ——— 22. 7 - "

Balance to be paid by Do to Do Defendant 13. 4 - "

Given under my hand in the Subordinate Court at Madura on the 16th day of September A.D. 1857.

The Plaintiff and Defendant are hereby informed that in conformity with the order of the Adalut No. 48, no compromise entered into by the parties will be valid unless it first receives the sanction of the Court by which this Decree is passed.

In conformity with the order of Sudr Adalut No. 123 no Decree shall be executed after the expiration of 12 years unless the party applying for execution shows by clear and positive proof that his application is on one or other of the grounds specified in Clause 4, Section XVIII, Regulation II of 1802 excepted from the general rule of limitation as prescribed in that sanction.

Signed and sealed in open Court this 12th day of October A.D. 1857.

The period for preferring an appeal from this Decree will expire on the 11th day of November A.D. 1857, within which time the applications for an appeal accompanied by a

Copy

Fort St. George, 7th November 1857.

Copy of the Decree previously passed on the case, must be presented to the Civil Court or the application will be rejected.

(Signed) A. M. Phillips,
Subordinate Judge.

(True Copy)
(Signed) J. R. Cockerell,
Ag Subcollector in charge.

275-276
B. No. 3817

Order thereon.

Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government with reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 27th February 1856, Revenue — Department No. 224, and Board's Proceedings dated 23d February 1856 No. 530.

Subd 29th Feb/1857

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It will be seen that the suit against Government has been dismissed with all costs.

No. 122.

277
B. No. 4,330
From the Superintendent Revenue Survey

Memorandum.

Captain Priestley requests he may be furnished with 2 Copies of the "Report on the Survey operations of the Lower Provinces from 1st October 1855 to 31st September 1856".

Survey Office,
Cuddalore,
2d November 1857.

(Signed) Frederick A. B. Priestley, Captain
Supt. Revenue Survey.

To The Secretary Revenue Board

Ordered

17723 Fort St. George, 7th November 1857.

Ordered that the following Official Memorandum be sent.

277-278
Bd. No. 3813

To Captain Priestley,
Supt. Rev. Survey.

Memorandum.

The Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to forward to Captain Priestly 2 Copies of the Work applied for by him on the 2d Instant.

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

I Signed I. D. Shaw
Acting Secretary

No. 57.

To,
H. D. Phillips, Esqr.
Acting Collector
of Tanjore.

279
Bd. No. 3814

From the Asst. Collector
of Tanjore.

I have the honor to submit for transmission through the usual channel, an application for three months Privilege leave dating from the 20th Instant under Section XII of the Absentie Rules to proceed to Madras and Calcutta.

I am conscious that some difficulty may attend the grant of this application, but as in making it I am influenced by private affairs of an urgent character I venture to hope that it may meet with favourable consideration.

I have applied for privilege leave because

As

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as far as having served continuously for upwards of 33 months goes, I am entitled to leave of the above description but in order to obviate any difficulty which may arise on that head, I beg leave to state that I am prepared to forego any claims I may be considered to have to the receipt of my full salary during the time that I may be absent should it be considered necessary to assign any proportion of the same to any Gentleman who may be appointed to conduct the duties of my Office until my return.

I Signed G. Vans Agnew
Special Apptant. Collector

2nd November 1857.

No. 154.

The Acting Collector begs to recommend that the leave applied for by the special Apistant Collector be granted if arrangements can be made for nominating in his stead an Officer competent to the discharge of the duties of the special Apistant's Office—there being none in the Tanjore District a Junior Apistant to whom the charge of the special Apistant can be temporarily assigned.

3d November 1857.

I Signed H. D. Phillips
Acting Collector

ordered

their servants do not in any manner dirty or damage the buildings and furniture.

9th No horses or other cattle are on any account to be picketted within the walls or hedge surrounding the bungalows.—

10th A book is kept at each bungalow in which each traveller is requested to write his name, with remarks, if necessary on the conduct of the person in charge. The maltreatment of the servants attached to the public Bungalows is expressly prohibited.—

11th The person in charge is ordered on pain of dismissal to report for eventual representation to Government deviations from these rules, either on the part of travellers or their domestics and followers, and the master is held responsible for any infringement of them by his servants.—

12th A list of the furniture &c belonging to each bungalow and the value of each article shall be hung up in each room for the information of travellers.—

13th Travellers are particularly enjoined to enter all sums paid by them in the Bungalow book as no other proof of payment can be accepted.

Acting Secretary

Bungalows

Date of arrival	Travellers Name	Date of Departure	Duration of Hall	Payments: Occupation Fee.	Payments: Breakages	Remarks
				Rupees As	Rupees As	

(290)

B. No. 3852

To all Collectors Except Kurnool & Coimbatore

To All Collectors Except Kurnool and Coimbatore

Sir.

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 13th May 1886 and Board's Circular thereon of the 22 idem I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that your report on the progress and effect of Public works in your district for the Official year 1886/87 may be submitted with as little delay as possible

No. 1566.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
7th November 1887

/Signed/ J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

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791
Bd. No. 1516

Read the undermentioned Indents

From the Collector of Coimbatore Indent on the Superintendent of
292 Stationery for Stationery Wrs required for the year 1858.
Bd. No. 1572

From the Collector of Madras.— Indent on the Superintendent of
Stationery for Stationery Wrs required for the year 1858.

Order on the 2 abovementioned Indents.— Ordered that the original
291-293 Indents be passed and forwarded to the Inspector
General of Ordnance.—

Received the undermentioned Miscellane-
294 ous letters and Statements—
Mis. No. 2384

From the Collector of Malabar List of letters addressed to the Board of
295 Revenue and remaining unanswered up to 30 September 1857
Mis. No. 2388

From the Collector of Malabar— List of letters received from the
Board of Revenue and remaining unanswered up to
296 30th September 1857.—
Mis. No. 2389

From the Collector of Trichinopoly— Rain Report for October
297 1857.
Mis. No. 2390

From the Collector of Madras— Salt Statement for exportation
to Calcutta on the 31st October 1857.—

Proceedings

E.B.

17731. Fort Saint George 9th November 1857

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

Read again Extract Minutes Consultation
dated 12th and entered in Consultation 12th September 1857.—
Ordered that the following letter be
sent in reply.—

To The Acting Secretary
to Government.—
Revenue Department

298
Bd. No. 3853.

To the Jr. Secretary to Government Revenue Department—
Submitting with his remarks & recommendations thereon, a List of Establishments required for immediate service in that Department of Revenue Survey and Assessment together with Lists of Instruments and Articles of Camp & equipage &c. &c. likewise required for those Departments.—
Sir. 1— With reference to para 6 of Extract Minutes Consultation of 11th September 1857. No. 921. Revenue Department— I am directed to submit List of Establishments, required for immediate service, in the Departments of Revenue Survey and Assessment.

2— The Board have received voluminous communications from Mr. Newill on the subject of his and Captain Priestley's operations, but as the most important portion was not received till October 29th 1857 there has not yet been time to complete the Proceedings of the Board relative to all the various points discussed: but as it is of very—

Superintendent. Their opinion on this point seems to coincide with that of Mr. Ricketts in his Memo forwarded by Government To the Board in Extract Minutes Consultation 30th October 1857 No. 1111 Revenue Department. P. 9-13.

*APPENDIX II

The next portion of the survey Requirement, is the stock of Instruments and Books and office Furniture required for one "Party" and as five Parties will be immediately organized, they are required in Duplicate. Captain Priestley has informed Mr. Newill what can be procured in Madras, but there is no doubt that nearly all must come from Calcutta, and even of all are sent, those that may in the meantime have been procured if the Government so authorize will be available for the next or 3d. Survey "Party"

11. The last part of appendix II relates to the Lithographic Establishment. The first portion is what Mr. Newill estimates, but he also submits Captain Priestley's Estimate on the understanding that while

his

his own is for general purposes, Captain Priestleys is entirely for preparing the Maps.

Neither Mr. Newill nor

15. Captain Priestley has sufficient experience in the working of Lithographic press, to be very precise in their Estimates, and we after considering the matter, are not to recommend that a Lithography will not immediately commence this part of the Estimate be over till Mr. Newill and Captain Priestley have an opportunity of discussing the matter together, and sending in a revised estimate.

As the season for com-

16 mencing Survey operations is drawing near, and as no work can be done in Rajahmundry till an Establishment is sanctioned, the Board trust that although the above Estimates have not been

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been prepared with quite the accuracy that would have been expected had there been experience in these Departments, they will receive the approval of the Government of India, in order that a beginning at all events may be made.

17 The Board desire me to add that the correspondence in which the Establishments are referred to, are not sent herewith, as they are required to enable the Board to report on the plan of operations pursued by Messrs. Prinsep and Priestley, and there has been no opportunity yet to procure them.

I have

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having copies made. The portion of the correspondence there alluded to the Establishments is of small extent. The whole will however be sent to the Government Office if required, and the Boards general report postponed.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St George,
9th November 1857 - - -

(Signed) J. D. Sim
At Secretary

Proposed

Appendix II (Continued)

Estimate for Lithographic Establishment Revenue Department

1 Head Printer	20 - -		
1 Printer	14 - -		
2 Pressmen @ 6/	12 - -		
1 Pressman @ 5/	5 - -		
Per Mensem		51 - -	
Per Annum		612 - -	
Additional for Survey Department			
1 Head Lithographer and Draughtsman	90 - -	90 - -	
1 ____ Dº ____	Draughtsmen and Litho-		
1 ____ Dº ____	-graphers competent		
1 ____ Dº ____	to do the neat work		
	thoroughly		
	60 - -		
	55 - -		
	50 - -		
	45 - -	210 - -	
For tracing work			
2 Draughtsmen @ 35	70 - -		
2 ____ Dº @ 30	60 - -	130 - -	
3 Assistant Draughtsmen @ 25	75 - -		
3 ____ Dº @ 20	60 - -		
3 ____ Dº @ 15	45 - -		
7 ____ Dº @ 10	70 - -		
4 ____ Dº @ 5	20 - -	270 - -	
Total Monthly		700 - -	
For 12 Months		8400 - -	

(Signed) J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

Read the following Papers.

299

B. Nº 4128
From the Sy. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, dated 20th October 1857.

Sanctioning the rate of toll proposed by the Board to be levied on boats using the Pillah Canal of Masulipatam desiring to have detailed information on the subject together with Sketches of the localities referred to and remarking on the great delay that has occurred in reporting on this question to Government.

(See Nº 1075 in Separate Volume)

B. Nº 3824
Proceedings thereon

299-300

The Acting Collector is requested as soon as possible to furnish the additional information required by Government in Paras 5 and 6.

He will also explain the causes of the delay in disposing of the matter in his Office.

301

B. Nº 4171
From the Sy. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, dated 23d October 1857.

Directing the adoption of the plan suggested by Government and approved of by the Board and Collector of Trichinopoly of assessing a fixed Sum on the pattah of each ryot in lieu of the Kuttlay Shistwar levy

(See Nº 1087 in Separate Volume)

Ordered

17754

301-302

Fort St. George 9th November 1857

B. No. 3837

Ordered thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector

303

B. No. 4367

From the Ag. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, dated 5th November 1857.

Authorizing the Collector of North Arcot to furnish Vencut Rao Commandar of Colathoor in the Jaghire of Arnee, with Copies of the accounts referred to in his Petition dated 5th March 1857.

/See No. 1117 in Separate Volume/

303-304

B. No. 3834

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of North Arcot.

305

B. No. 4308

From the Ag. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 5th November 1857.

Sanctioning the refund of Rupees 2.00 being the fine collected from one Yoogillah Rama Row in Case No 8 of the file of the late Special Assistant of Masulipatam

/See No. 1118 in Separate Volume/

305-306

B. No. 3833

Ordered thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Acting Collector

B. No. 4369

From the Ag. Secretary to Government

307

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department dated 5th November 1857.

Authorizing the refund to Messrs. Oakes & Co. of Rupees 7 the amount of Import duty paid by them on a Case on which this duty had already been paid by Messrs Byrnes & Co.

/See No. 1119 in Separate Volume/

ordered

17755

Fort St. George 9th November 1857

307-308

B. No. 3836

Ordered thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector of Sea Customs.

309

B. No. 4370

From the Ag. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, dated 5th November 1857.

Resolving to Submit to the notice of the Honorable Court the letter with its enclosure from the Collector of North Arcot reporting the progress made in the repairs to the Choultry at Vencatgoo palatchiatiapooram

/See No. 1121 in Separate Volume/

309-310

B. No. 3835

Orders thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of North Arcot.

311

B. No. 4371

From the Ag. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department dated 5th November 1857.

Authorizing the payment to M. Narrasinga Row the Boards Head Shirestadar of the allowance sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation of 6th October 1856 during his privileged leave.

/See No. 1124 in Separate Volume/

Ordered to be recorded.

311-312

Order thereon

B. No. 4343

From the Ag. Secretary to Government

313

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, dated 5th November 1857.

Communicating the orders issued to the Civil Auditor as to the principle to be observed in passing the Bills of Sadr inward Charges for Gunjam.

/See No. 1126 in Separate Volume/

313-314

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.

Extract

B.t. No. 4345.
From the Ag. Secretary to Government
315

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, dated 5th November 1857.

Sanctioning the payment of Rupees 85 to certain Servants of the Seerpah Establishment in Canara who were omitted in the Pay abstract of the District for July 1857. / See No. 1127 in Separate Volume /

315-316
B.t. No. 3829
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector

B.t. No. 4345
From the Ag. Secretary to Government
317

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation. Revenue Department, dated 5th November 1857.

Directing that the arrears of Quit Rent in deposit belonging to the Courtallum Pagoda in Tinnevelly be disbursed to the Trustee of that Pagoda, to be appropriated to the purposes for which the allowances were intended. / See No. 1128 in Separate Volume /

317-318
B.t. No. 3859
Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector with Copy of the Boards' Proceedings.

2 The Collector's attention is particularly drawn to the order at the close of para 4.

319
B.t. No. 4346
From the Ag. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, dated 5th November 1857.

Sanctioning the removal of a certain Lapsed Service Tycoonah in the District of Rajahmundry / See No. 1129 in Separate Volume /

319-320
B.t. No. 3820
Order thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector of Rajahmundry.

Extract

B.t. No. 4347
From the Ag. Secretary to Government
321

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, dated 5th November 1857.

Approving and authorizing the Course recommended by the Board to be pursued with respect to a certain lapsed Poligar pension enjoyed by one Khattee Baboo in Cuddapah. / See No. 1130 in Separate Volume /

321-322
B.t. No. 3851
Order thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector of Cuddapah with a Copy of the Boards Proceedings.

B.t. No. 4345
From the Ag. Secretary to Government
323

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, dated 5th November 1857.

Authorizing the removal of two lapsed Service Tycoonahs in the District of Nellore. / See No. 1131 in Separate Volume /

323-324
B.t. No. 3825
Order thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector of Nellore.

325
B.t. No. 4379
From the Ag. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Revenue Department, dated 6th November 1857.

Approving and Sanctioning the proceedings of the Collector of Coimbatore in regards to the arrangement entered into by him with Major Crawford for his land required for the Elk Hill Cutting / See No. 1134 in Separate Volume /

325-326
B.t. No. 3839
Order thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector.

Extract

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(327)

B.d No. 4380

From the Actg. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation.

Revenue Department, dated 6th November 1857

Sanctioning the Charge of Rupees 400 for printing the Tabular blank Statements of Trade for the years 1856/57 - Authorizing the Civil Auditor to admit the charge for printing those of 1854/55. and Stating that there is no objection to the Statements being printed at the Price Current Rates. ——

/ Do. No. 1135 in Separate Volume /

(327-328)

B.d No. 3838

Order thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector of Sea Customs. ——

(329)

B.d No. 4382

From the Actg. Secretary to Government

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department, dated 6th November 1857. ——

Passing orders on certain cases of lapsed Exams in the District of Bellary. ——

/ Dos No. 1132 in Separate Volume /

(329-330)

B.d No. 3841

Order thereon

Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector of Bellary. ——

To

Fort St. George 9th November 1857

No. 187.

To J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort St. George

(331)

B.d No. 3875

From the Actg. Collector of Ganjam ——

Sir

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 14th August last, No. 2506, I have the honor to inform you that the difference noticed by the Board arises from the Exhibition of the whole quantity of Smuggled Salt on the plat forms as required in the new Salt forms. Prior to the introduction of these forms the practice was to show only as much Smuggled Salt as was actually Sold during the quarter as the quantity remaining in Store at its commencement.

With reference to the 2d para of the above Extract of Proceedings, I beg to observe that the quantity of loss occasioned by the Order of Government fixing 1½ Percents

to

to be equivalent of 100 Indigos. Maunds was included in the quantity of wastage.

wastage 19094—22
loss 11981 "
31075—22

3 In selling Salt wholesale a deduction was made of Rupees 64—8—0 the value of 240 Mercals, the loss sustained by allowing 24 instead of 400 Mercals per Indian Maund the balance was 1075-7-0 which divided by the number of Maunds viz 10 Garce heap gave the cost per Maund at 1/4 3/107 the difference of the price noticed in the last para of the Boards Proceedings.

Ganjam District
Collector's Office
Chatterpoor
18th September 1850

/ Signed / W. Knox
Ag. Collector

331-332
Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.

To

No. 118

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

333

B/ No. 3066
From the Collector of Madras

Sir

I must trouble the Board with a Copy of another letter from the Superintendent of Police at the Mount in which he declines acceding to my request twice made to send all Ab Karry Cases within his limits for my disposal

To Superintendent 26th June 1857
Do. 21st July

Colonel Browns determination is to me inexplicable as

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Copy of Extract Boards Proceedings 25th conveying Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 12th June was duly forwarded to him and in Para 2 of the latter his Jurisdiction in those cases is expressly denied. His allegation of the bad character of my renters

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for this Duty, is in my opinion an after thought consequent on late proceedings He never before took objection to them on this score.

Madras
30th July 1857

/ Signed / B. Cumliffe.
Collector

1762. Fort St. George 9th November 1857

No. 76

To B. Cunliffe Esqre
Collector of Madras.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 24th Instant I have the honor to state that I consider that offences against the Act No. XIX of 1852 committed within the Nilgherry Limits of this Cantonment is not cognizable by you but invariably applicable to me in my capacity of Superintendent of Police and Joint Magistrate and I am bound to punish the parties without reference to the above act for infringing upon the rules and Regulations noted in the margin which are interested for my guidance within the said Nilgherry limits of 4 Miles radius from the Main Guard house of this Station vide G. O. G. 1st June 1832 No. 139. I therefore beg to State that I consider myself Competent to punish these cases under the authority above quoted without forwarding the parties to you for disposal as requested in your letter now under acknowledgement.

The Shopkeepers named in your letter are persons of bad character and old offenders who have often been convicted on former occasions and punished for infringing upon the Regulations consequently I demanded the required Security from them for preserving discipline and good order but now Cancelled by Minutes of Consultation forwarded in your letter under date the 23d Instant.

/Signed/ J. R. Browne Lt Col
Superintendent of Police

/True Copy/ /Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

Sections 4, 5 to 17 Regulations of 1832 G. O. G. 1st June 1832 No. 139 Act No. 18 of 1853 and Law and Bazar Regns

To

1763. Fort St. George 9th November 1857

No. 136.

To,

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

334

B. No. 3472

From the Collector of Madras ... Para 1

Reporting on the representation made to Government by the Brigadier Commanding St. Thomas' Mount that the Collector has granted Licenses to two persons of bad character who have been convicted and punished on former occasions for infringing upon the Regulations

Sir,

As directed in Extract Board's Proceedings 24th Instant, I have the honor to report upon the representation to Government of the Brigadier Commanding St. Thomas' Mount that I have "granted licences to two "persons to open six shops in the Cantonment two of whose persons "are of bad character and old offenders and have already "been convicted and punished for infringing upon the Regulations."

2. In the first place I will observe that the seven shops are not in the Cantonment proper, but one at the station, and the other within the Cantonment limits, that is, within 4 miles.

3. How far the Brigadier is justified in making such a representation to the following relation of facts declare.

4. The names of the suspected renters are Chellapah Gramny and Asa poor Soobarayar Gramny to

to whom I granted these shops Kat Sydapet and also
nity to the former and one at the Mount to the latter
by public auction on the 1st July.

5 To the first of these in conjunction with one
Devarsagamany Lyanny Granted these shops in July
1856 for Fanam 1266. They were not placed in posses
sion as they declined to give local security for their
good behaviour, the illegality of such a requisition
being as the Board will remember the subject of my
reference to them, and which has been decided by the
Government, directing that the Mount. Adkarry for
all fiscal purposes should be under my control and that
such security should not be taken. The Superintendent
of Police on informing me of the refusal of the parties
to give the security describes them as strangers Vide from
superintendent 30th June 1856. No. 1 in Enclosure.

6. In July last, as stated before, I granted these shops
by Auction to Chellapa and Soobroya Grannies
The superintendent declined to allow them to enter
upon their shops, because they would not give security
for good behaviour Vide from Superintendent

2d

2 July No. 2 in Enclosure. Upon this I addressed
the Board in my letter of the 4th July, and in conse
quence Extract Minutes of Consultation 15th July issued
declaring that the "proceedings of the superintendent
were contrary to the orders of Government."

7. The Superintendent then wrote to me 28th July
that he should still continue exercising jurisdiction
in Adkarry matters within the Mount limits, quoting
Regulation 7 of 1832, G. O. G. 1st June 1832, Act 18 of
1853, and Local Regulations as his authority for so
doing, and stating that my renters were men of bad cha
racter and old offenders Vide.

8 Copy of this letter I forwarded to the Board with mine
of the 30th July, giving it as my opinion that the allegation
as to character was "an after thought consequent on
late proceedings, as objection had never before been
taken on this score."

9. Looking at the facts of the case, 1st that so
far back as July 1856 one of the renters Chellapa
was not allowed to hold his shop because he would
not give security, and moreover being styled as strangers

2dly

2d as both he and Soobiaroya the renters of the present year were denied their shops on account of not giving Security, 3d as only after the receipt by him of Extract Minutes of Consultation 15th July, prohibiting the taking of security, did the Superintendent for the first time say one word against the character of these men, can the Brigadier fairly say in his letter that security had been demanded from these parties because they were of bad character? and even admitting that they were such can that Officer fairly charge me with having licensed such persons when the previous correspondence regarding them & the Superintendent's letter being dated 28th July, contained not a word against their character, and when the allegation is first made, only when the Government had removed the hitherto sole objection taken by the Superintendent of Police to the renters, he declaring that security for good behaviour should not be taken?

10. When I received the Board's Proceedings under reply, I felt that I was quite innocent of having knowingly given the rent to men of bad character, but I

thought it very possible that these men had been fined for irregularities (as there is scarcely a shopkeeper who has not) though not to an extent which would stigmatize them in future as old offenders and bad characters.

11 They have now appeared before me and given their depositions, translations of which are enclosed Nos 3 and 4.

12 To my surprize I find that Chella pa Iyraumy has never rented a shop within the Mount limits, and never, as he states, been punished by the Police in any way (confirming indeed the designation of a stranger given of him by the Superintendent of Police 30th June 1856.

13. The other renter A. Soobaroya Iyraumy declares that he took the Mount shops some 7 or 8 years ago (my records show in Fusly 1258) and held a shop in partnership with others for a short time either before or since that period. That he was in Fusly 1258 (1848/49) fined 10 Rupees for supplying what was declared to be bad Toddy to a Bakery and that he has never been

been punished in any other manner.-

14 In justice to these men and to myself I am sure that the Board will request that the Brigadier may be called upon to specify the † instances of bad conduct to which he alludes.-

† dates to be given

15. The Brigadier also declares that there "are several individuals of good character willing "to undertake the contract and pay the same rent "for the shops as heretofore has been paid." These individuals must be of the class of Toddy shop keepers and I should be glad if their names were communicated to me, that I may learn from my own enquiries, whether they surpass in character those whom the Brigadier has designated "old offenders."

16. I have no doubt that they are ready to accept the shops at the rate of last year, and the Superintendent intimated as much to me by letter, but the rents this year are Rupees 1893-7-0 in excess of that of last year, and were sold by auction at which these men of alleged good character might have competed had they been so inclined.-

17. I think that I have established to the

the satisfaction of the Board, that security was not required inconsequence, as the Brigadier and Superintendent declare, of the men being of bad character, but that it had been demanded except at the 11th hour when it was necessary for the Police authorities to shift their ground, for the purpose of maintaining alleged discipline and good order within the Cantonment.-

18. I think that I have also established that the Brigadier without one word with me on the subject, has formally charged me with appointing men of bad character, his assertion moreover resting, as far as I am able to discover, upon very questionable authority.-

19 However I will go further than merely declare that these men are not liable to the imputation of the Brigadier but will also state my conviction that I could not have selected among the whole class of shop keepers men of greater influence, substance and respectability though as the rents were sold by auction, they were not selected by me, but obtained the rents as the highest bidders.-

20. They have not been long established shop keepers at

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at Madras Chellapah holding two 3d class toddy shops at the daily rate of 2-10-4 or 965 Rupees yearly and Soobaraya having two first and one 3d class shop at the daily rate of 6-14-10 or Rupees 2528 yearly. The latter may be styled wealthy for his position, has property in lands and houses, and in 1852/53 took the Palmyra Jaggery contract from this office, and received in payment for Jaggery 12,000 Rs.

21. The objection taken by the Brigadier to a man renting two or more shops I have before replied to. It is impossible, as the Brigadier requires, that a man having his gardens and toddy drawers to look after can always be in his shop. He must leave it at times to the charge of others and this alternative is expressly provided for by section 21 of the Act by which the shopkeepers is responsible for the Acts of his servant in charge of the shop. His moreover in my opinion desirable that the shop should be taken by one or two substantial men, rather than that each shop should be rented individually.

Paras 678 To Bn. 22d July 1856

22. I have hitherto in my correspondence with the Board on the subject of the Mount Abkarry referred only

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only to the "native police agency" but the time has now arrived when I should speak more definitely and inform the Board of the real cause of the misunderstanding between the Mount and those who I allude to the Cutwal who has obtained a degree of influence far above what his official position would warrant.

23. Let the Collector of Chingleput and the District Engineer be asked regarding this man's power, and I believe that they will agree with me that it is paramount and that in all their dealings with the Mount Butler that in all their dealings with the Mount Butler this interference is plain and extremities his interference is plain and extremities.

24 I would beg to reference to my letter 9th January 1857, as to the manner in which this man shifts his ground on his various objections being shown to be invalid, and as to what the superintendent is made to say at this man's instigation. Captain Smith objected to the rent being given to two men who had obtained it from me, and without the aid of the Cutwal when he had before actually recommended that these very men, who had been his renters of the previous year should be continued in the rent as "having conducted themselves entirely to his satisfaction."

Paras 12 & 19

† From Superintendent 23d July 1855

‡ From Superintendent 9th July 1855

25. The Government have lately directed

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directed that for all fiscal purposes the Mount Alkarry shall be under my control, and my renters have taken up their shops without giving the security for good behaviour, so pertinaciously demanded by the Superintendent of Police; subsequently however the renters have declared to me that the Contmt is determined to oust them, and seeing his unbounded influence, I think it more than probable that he will and the following is one step in pursuance of his design.-

26. The Mount Camicopillay reported yesterday that Chellapah had been in the morning fined 20 Rs per and the woman in charge of his shop sentenced to imprisonment and labour on the roads for one month because he had not registered the name of the woman as his servant in charge of his toddy shop at Tiruppapuliyur 3 Miles from the Mount station.-

27. This registry is not required by this Department under which the Mount Alkarry has been placed. Chellapah paid his fine but declares that the woman was not given the option of doing so or he would then have discharged it and that she was at once sentenced as above.-

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28. If these are the facts and I do not doubt them, I think that it is a marked instance of the manner in which the Outwallers can make the Police Court bear oppressively upon those he wishes to injure.-

29. Neither Chellapa nor the woman infringed the provisions of the Act, by which under the late orders the Mount Alkarry is to the regulated. He was my the Mount Alkarry is to the regulated. He was my ostensible renter and the woman was as ostensible in charge of the shop, and had they kept a disorderly shop or acted contrary to their license, they were easily tangible for proceedings against them so that I maintain that a registry was not necessary for the preservation of good order within the Cantonment, and that the Superintendent has acted contrary to the orders of Government which confines his interference strictly to Police purposes. I beg that the Board will call for the original record and sentence in this case.-

30. I see that the superintendent contends, contrary to the opinion of the Government Legal advisers, that he has jurisdiction in Alkarry matters under Act XVIII of 1853 for regulating the sale of liquor in Military Cantonments

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32 I have endeavoured to superintend the Mount Abkarry because such control is part of my Official duty but I am in doubt whether this control is continued to me and think indeed that it should not be so, if as within the last 18 months, my acts are interfered with, and my authority subverted by the Cutwal, at the same time I think that I may declare, that if the Mount Authorities will act fairly with me and the Cutwal is confined to the proper duties of his sphere, I shall be able to manage the Mount Abkarry with its seven shops, without in any degree risking the maintenance of good order and discipline and in the same manner as I manage the Madras Abkarry with its 401 shops, to the satisfaction of the present Commissioner of Police and his predecessor, with whom I have had the good fortune always to act cordially and with perfect cooperation.—

Madras . . . .
28th August 1857. }

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

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No. 1
No. 107

To, The Collector of
Madras

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 26th Instant which I have the honor of acknowledging I beg to state that it is objectionable to allow one or two Individuals to hold 7 Toddy Shops as it is impossible that they can give their constant attendance at every Shop to preserve order, and regularity therein, I have directed the present Shop keepers to continue their Shops on their agreeing to pay the usual rent until further orders, I beg also to bring to notice that the Individuals are strangers to this place and decline to furnish the required Security in this Office.—

× Chollapah Grammy and
Daingasekamany Grammy

Police Office . . . . .
Saint Thomas' Mount . .
30th June 1857. . . . . }

/Signed/ J. R. Brown
Superintendent of Police

/True Copy/
/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collr

No. 2
No. 67

To, The Collector of
Madras

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 1st Instant I have the honor to inform you that the parties

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Superintendent of Police

True Copy
Signed B. Cumliffe
Coll.r

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To, The Collector of
Madras

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 1st. Instant I have the honor to inform you that the parties

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/a/ A. Soobroy Grammy and M. Chellapah Grammy.

/a/ parties therein named have declined to find sureties absolutely required to preserve discipline and good order at their shops within the limits of this Cantonment, consequently I have been obliged to reject them under the authority of Paro 2 of M. C of 28th November 1856, No. 1262 and I have permitted all the others

/b/ Gopaloo Pillay Soondrasa Rala Pillay and Mooneappa Moodaly

/b/ named in your letter of the 29th Ultimo to open their Shops, who have already furnished the security required in the usual manner.-

I beg to observe that I cannot comply with the your request made in Para 4 of your letter of the 26th Ultimo, to forward the offenders who infringe upon the Rules and regulations in this Cantonment for your disposal.-

Saint Thomas' Mount 2d July 1857.-8

/Signed/ J. R. Brown, Lieut. Col.
Superintendent of Police

/True Copy/
/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

No. 3.

A translation of the Tamil Kyfiet given in by Chellapah Grammy, Contractor of the 6 Toddy Shops at Sydapettah for the current Fusly 1267 before B. Cunliffe Esqre Collector of Madras on the 27th August 1857.

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I never at any time hitherto opened a Toddy Shop either at Saint Thomas' Mount or within the four mile limit around it. consequently I never paid a fine at all ever since my father's time I had Toddy dealings in Madras, but no fine was ever paid by me in the Police.

Question Why does the Police authority of the Mount accuse you of being an old Offender.

Answer. I dont know why it is, which on the enquiry of the Gentlemen, will plainly be known

/Signed/ Chellappah Grammy

True Translation

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe
Collector

No. 4

A translation of the Tamil Kyfiet given in by Asappoor Soobraya Grammy Contractor of a Toddy Shop at the Bengalee Bazar at Saint Thomas' Mount for the Current year 1267 before B. Cunliffe Esqre Collr. of Madras.

Question- The Officer commanding and Police Superintendent of Saint Thomas' Mount having communicated to Government that you are a man of

for/ A. Soobrey Gramney and M. Chellapah Gramney.

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True Translation

/Signed/ B. Cunliffe Collector

No. 4

A translation of the Tamil Kyfiet given in by Asappoor Soobraya Gramny Contractor of a Toddy Shop at the Bengalee Bazaar at Saint Thomas' Mount for the Current Fusly 1267 before B. Cunliffe Esq.re Coll.r of Madras.

Question The Officer commanding and Police Superintendent of Saint Thomas' Mount having communicated to Government that you are a man of

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of bad Character and had been punished for various infraction of the Regulations and Rules of the said station, as well as of being an old offender, Government call upon me to know why a Shop was given to a person of your description. How can you account for it?

Answer. About 7 or 8 years ago, I contracted a Toddy Shop in Benglee Bazar at Saint Thomas Mount prior or after the said period I contracted the said Toddy Shop for a few days in the years. First Grushy in which I secured the contract throughout the year. I and other two Grammies were partners. About the end of the year I was fined by the Police authority of the Mount in Rupees 10 for having supplied as they alleged, bad Toddy for the bakers Godown. It was only done through Malice but not upon any real charge. Nothing took place at the time. We do not know why the authorities there call us bad offenders to the detriment of our character they wants to call us so because we are poor. We request therefore to bring them to the notice of Government as what we have stated above are the real facts.

Madras Collectors Cutcherry 27th August 1857.

(Signed) Soobraya Grammy
True Translation
(Signed) B. Cumberlege
Collector

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No. 138.

To,

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

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B. No. 3511.

From the Collector of Madras. Submitting further instances of the oppressive Conduct of the Mount Police authorities towards the Collectors Toddy renters in direct disobedience of the orders of Government

Sir,

Para 1 In continuation of my letter of the 28th Ultimo, I beg to submit further instances of the oppressive conduct of the Mount Police authorities towards my Toddy renters in direct disobedience to the orders of Government confining their interference to the maintenance of order and discipline within the Cantonment limits, but prohibiting all interference in fiscal matters.

1st Challapah Gramany, the renter for the six shops within the Cantonment limits, had a shop at Poloor in charge of his servant Mauripa Gramny, but he had closed this shop in consequence of the troubles imposed on him by the hostility of the Cutwal.

Nevertheless, two Mount Police came to the shop, desired the servant to open it, and finding in it 40 measures of Toddy, took some of the liquor and the servant to the Police who asking him why he had taken Toddy to his shop without a pass from the Mount Police sentenced

Sentenced him two months imprisonment with
labour.-

Now this man had committed no
offence, the liquor was naturally in the shop, which
had been closed by order of his master Challapa
Gramny, who had rented the shop from me. There
is nothing here opposed to the good order of the Cou-
=tonment, yet the man has been punished and
is now undergoing punishment which cannot be
remitted

2. Because a man was found drunk on the
road and he had stated that he had purchased
the liquor at the shop in Bengar Bazar held
by A. Soobroy Gramny, the latter was fined
5 Rupees on the 31st. August and he was again
fined this day 20 Rupees for not having his
measures stamped.-

3. The Peons of the Mount Police prevented
the Servant of Mooroogapah Gramany from Conveying
Toddy from a garden within the Mount limits to his
shop at Thsnampetta beyond those limits, because
he had not a pass from the Police; which
was not necessary or usual- the man having the
Collector's Pass for the conveyance of the Toddy.
this being purely a fiscal matter. and uncon-
=nected with the discipline of the Cantonment.-

4th. Challapah Gramany the renter
of the shop at Sydapetta, was fi-
=ned this morning fifty Rupees
for not having his measures stamped, and for
mixing his evening and morning drawn Toddy
accordingly

according to custom through out Madras. and for not
attending himself in the shop always.-

2. I submit that these are purely fiscal arrange-
=ments under my control, the last especially I have
ever contended. against as impossible and
unnecessary under the fact which holds the
renter liable for the acts of the Servant.-
I would moreover draw the attention of the
Board to the heaviness of the fine.-

3. These proceedings are in my opinion not only
illegal, but are in direct defiance of the Government
orders prohibiting all interference in fiscal matters.
and are moreover so oppressive as clearly, I think, to
indicate malevolence against the parties on account
of their being my renters, and as having been installed
against the wishes of the Cutwal and Mount authorities,
in not having given security for good behaviour, as
was the desire of the Mount Police.-

4. The shops were opened under my rent on
the 17th. Ultimo and remained open until the
26th. since which in consequence of all these proceed-
=ings they have remained closed, and no rents collected.-

5. I would beg the Board and Government to
view these matters in the aggregate, and then to
judge whether the have not proceeded from a deter-
=mination to oust my renters, as the Cutwal has a
threatement.

6. I have stated the above facts from the report
of my Superintendent based upon information received
from the Mount Conicapoly.-

7. I cannot assure myself, regarding their correct-
=ness. though I do not doubt it, as I have no
authority

authority to call up before me the proceedings of the Superintendent of Police, but I would request the Board to realize my own position, having nominal management of the Abkarry, and having my arrangements thwarted, and my renters harshly treated by an inferior native servant, the Cutwal, I would ask them to solicit the Government to call up the original proceedings in each of the above cases and pass orders upon them.-

8. In former letters I have questioned the legality of the Superintendent disposing of Abkarry matters, but mentioned that I did not interfere, as the parties were thereby saved the trouble of proceeding to Madras.-

9. After the above examples of the manner in which alleged offences are treated, I respectfully submit that the severance of jurisdiction in Abkarry questions from the Superintendent of Police, and its transfer, as the Act directs, to the Madras Police, is imperatively called for- In that case even I anticipate much trouble in conducting the Mount Abkarry from the determined hostility of the authorities there, without indeed the Government are pleased to give such directions as will effectually exclude their interference.-

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(Signed) B. Cuncliffe,
Collector.

To

No. 89.

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

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Bd. No. 3575

From the Superintendant of Police -

Submitting with his remarks for the consideration of the Board and eventual transmission of Government Certain Correspondence between him and the Collector of Madras relative to the enquiry and disposal of cases of breach of the abkarry laws within the limits of the Cantonment of St. Thomas Mount as well as to the leaving of the abkarie Farms within that jurisdiction-

Sir,

I have the honor to submit, for the consideration of the Board of Revenue and eventual transmission to Government, the accompanying Copies of correspondence which has transpired between this office and the Collector of Madras relative to the enquiry and disposal of cases involving breach of the abkaree laws within the abkaree limits of the Cantonment of this station, and to the abkaree farms of the Cantonment being knocked down to old offenders without reference to character and respectability-

2. In adverstence to the first point, viz. the jurisdiction of the Collector of Madras over cases involving breaches of Abkaree laws within the limits of the Military Cantonment

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It will be observed that Mr. Cunliffe founds his claims to exercise these powers on Act No. XIX of 1852 which he avers invests him with full authority on the subject little considering that such authority is specially vested in me, the Local Superintendent of Police by Regulation VII of 1832 and that the Act conferring on him the exclusive privilege of exercising these powers has not cancelled the Regulation above cited which has been declared to be applicable at all Military Cantonments under this Presidency and which is consequently still in force at this important Cantonment in every respect.-

3. The Abkaree limits of the Cantonment are clearly defined in G.O.G. of the 1st June 1832, and the Superintendent of Police is invested with full powers to take cognizance of and punish all offenders

infringing

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infringing the Rules and Regulations laid down by Government for the sale of Spirituous liquors in the Cantonment and to issue Special licences under Section 44 Regulation VIII of 1832 and Act No. XVIII of 1853.

4. These facts as well as others under which I exercise the powers above referred to were duly brought to the notice of the Madras Collector, but that Officer would not see the propriety of allowing me to exercise them, but insists upon all offenders charged with a breach of the Abkaree Laws, being sent up to him for enquiry and disposal.

5. Even assuming for the sake of argument that Act No. XIX of 1852 confers on the Collector of Madras the powers claimed by him (which I am inclined to think are not intended to be exercised by him) in a Military Cantonment in collusion with the authorities at the Station the expediency of sending up the offenders of local

Rules.

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Rules and Regulations for examination to an authority at so great a distance as 8 Miles from the scene of offence seems to be open to question and so long as the Regulation empowering the Superintendent of Police to take cogni=zance of and punish such offenders has not as yet been declared to be nugatory in explicit and clear terms I entertain great doubts as to the pro=priety of complying with Mr. Cunliffe's application without injustice to myself.

6. It may not be out of place to notice here that even in the event of the Offenders being required to be sent to the Collector of Madras as required by him, Act No. XIX of 1852. does not empower him to inflict punishment on them and as he can only hand them over to the Superintendent of Police for that purpose after preli=minary enquiry there is hardly any rise in

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in sending them up for such examina=tion which it can be more effectually and expeditiously conducted, and the case disposed of by the Local Authorities under the Special powers vested in them without exposing the parties concerned and witnesses Do. to the inconvenience of performing a journey of 16 Miles in proceeding to Madras and back to the Mount, not to say any thing regard=ing the unnecessary expenditure that will be entailed on the State in the shape of batta to witnesses and Peons escorting the parties.-

7. Thus it will be seen that the right claimed by Mr. Cunliffe (even it were good which under the circumstances already explained, the Board will coincide with me in considering is not the case) could not be conceded without infringing on Local Regulations and creating collision between the Military and Civil

Civil authorities and inconvenience to parties and finally without entailing additional expense on the State which under the financial embarrassment of the present day cannot be sanctioned without sacrificing the interests of Government. Under these circumstances, therefore I respectfully beg to request that the Board will be good enough to submit the whole correspondence to Government and obtain their orders with a view of allowing the present state of things to remain undisturbed and directing the Collector of Madras to desist from demanding the Offenders in the above cases being sent up to him for preliminary enquiry.

8. As regards the 2d question also mooted in the correspondence now transmitted, Viz. the abstract rent of the Cantonment being Knocked down in the presence of the Superintendent of Police at the station, I have only to refer

refer the Board to the letter addressed to them by Mr. Stokes, late Collector of Madras under date the 30th March 1854; recommending the measure which was fully approved of by them in Extract from their proceedings of the 23d May 1854 – the exceptions therefore now taken to the same by the present Collector Mr. Cunliffe, do not seem to be valid especially as the experiment tried under the Board's orders above quoted has succeeded so admirably and prevented the abuses which the former practice of selling the farms by the Madras Collector was fraught with, and on which it is needless for me to enter into here. I beg therefore to solicit the Board's attention to the subject and request instructions for the rent in question being Knocked down in my presence to fit persons of decent character according to Regulations so that I may be fully cognizant of the conditions

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conditions of the sale, and be able to see that they are duly fulfilled throughout the year to the best interest of Govern= =ment as it is done in all other Military Stations and Cantonments under the orders of this Pre= =sidency. —

Police Office — — —
St. Thomas's Mount.
7th September 1857.

(Signed) J. R. Brown
Superintendent
of Police

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No. 1
No. 54.

To
W. H. Bayley, Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

Sir,

In the 2nd Para of the Extract from the Board's Proceedings dated 4th July last the Board desired a separate Commun= =ication shewing the origin of the System now in operation, and the advantages expected from the Change proposed by me in my letter of the 2nd June, namely of allowing the Arrack Shops to remain at the close of the Farm without being put up to competition in the hands of the present Vendors in all cases where they are willing to retain them in the same terms, and their conduct has been good. I have now the honor to supply the information required —

2. The present practice as described in Para 44 of Mr. Robertson's letter dated 17th March 1835 appears to have continued unchanged from 1830, and to have originated long before that time though modified in some respects —

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3. The leading features in the System and the advantages arrived at in the change I would propose to introduce, are these.-

4 All the Shops are now put up for Sale before the commencement of the Fusly. The bids are expressed in the quantity of Spirits engaged to be taken daily from Government Security for the fulfilment of this contract, however, is only taken for 10 days. The Venders frequently take much more than the stipulated quantity of liquor so that the Revenue is in no respect fixed by the Annual Auction, but varies with the daily consumption provided however that when the consumption falls below the Dowle for ten days, the Shop is resold. The collections from the Arrack Shops in the current Fusly to the 28th Instant, are in excess of those of the preceding year by 36,000 Rupees and in excess of the Dowle or sum settled at the Annual Auction by 28,000 Rupees.

5. Now it appears to me that the annual exposure of all the Shops to competition is in no wise necessary for the Security of the Revenue. It seems

seems to offer a last remedy in case of any apparent combination among the Venders to keep down the Dowle and to sell contraband Spirits. But I very much question whether even for this purpose it can prove very effectual. The objection to it is that it affords scope for the exercise of the spirit of gambling and rivalry which is so prevalent among the class in question. In order to get into the trade or to oust a rival, a man may over bid the old Shop-Keeper considerably, and then trust to his success in encouraging intoxication, to make his speculation pay. The Revenue from the sale of arrack in these limits has already attained a height which it is fearful to contemplate and I would therefore studiously avoid all measures which might act as a stimulus on the trade.-

6. It seems on other grounds desirable that neither the site of the Shops nor the Shop-Keepers should be subjected to an annual change. All who fail of their engagements and all who are detected in malpractices lose their licenses at once. But there seems no reason why others who are willing to continue should stand the ordeal of an annual Auction.-

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reference, and in conclusion I beg to call your attention to it again.-

Saint Thomas Mount
23d May 1851.

/ Signed C. Smith
Superintendent of Police

To,

The Superintendent of Police
St. Thomas Mount

Sir,

1. In reply to your letter of the 23d instant I have the honor to submit for your information copy of the correspondence with the Board of Revenue on the subject of the arrack farms. The Board have not specially noticed the proposal made by you but I see no objection to your renting the arrack shops in the Cantonment of St. Thomas Mount for one year.-

2. If the present renters are satisfactory characters you can continue their licenses on the present terms taking security for their engagement for one year.

Madras
31st May 1851.

/ Signed H. Stokes
/ True Copies / Ag Collector

/ Signed J. R. Brown Lieut. Colonel
Superintendent of Police

No 43.

To,

The Collector of
Madras

Sir,

I deem it expedient to bring to your notice that since the arrack and toddy shops have been put up to public competition in this Cantonment good order and regularity has been the result, the contractors in particular observe the rules of their contract, and few cases of drunkenness have been inconsequence committed. I am of opinion that this has entirely resulted from binding the contractors over by a heavy security, Rs 500 Rupees to keep up the contract until the expiration of the present Farm and to preserve the local Regulations I beg to suggest that the same method may be always adopted as I could have in many opportunities of personal rejecting men of bad character and old offenders from bidding at

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I shall report to you the names of the successful bidders after the completion of the auction when you can grant them the usual licence on their depositing the amount of 10 days Rent or bowl money and then supply them with the arrack from your stores and allot sufficient number of Covenant Trees to the Toddy Shopkeepers equivalent to their rent and direct your Comdg to receive daily the amount of the rent from each of the parties.

I trust the arrangement I have now made may be considered satisfactory to superior authority.

Police Office,
Saint Thomas's Mount
23d December 1857.

Signed J. B. Brown Esq.
Superintendent of Police

A true Copy
Signed J. B. Brown Esq. Collector
Superintendent of Police

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No 76.

To,

B. Cuncliffe Esqr.
Collector of Madras

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 24th instant I have the honor to state that I consider the Offences against the Act No XIX of 1852 committed within the Adyaree limits of this Cantonment is not cognizable by you but invariably applicable to me in my capacity of Superintendent of Police and Joint Magistrate, and I am bound to punish the parties without preference to the above Act for infringing upon the Rules and Regulations noted in the Margin, which are instituted long guidance within the said Adyaree limits of 5 Miles radius from the Main Guard house of this station. Vide G.O.G. 1st June 1833 No 139. I therefore beg to state that I consider myself competent to punish these cases under the authority above quoted without forwarding the parties to

Section 43 to 47 Regulations of 1832
G.O.G. 1st June 1833 No 139
Act. No 18 of 1853 and local and Bazar Regulations

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to you for disposal as requested in your letter now under acknowledgement.—

The shopkeepers named in your letter are persons of bad character and old offenders who have often been convicted on former occasions and punished for infringing upon the Regulations, consequently I demanded the required Security from them for preserving discipline and good order but now cancelled by minutes of Consultations forwarded in your letter under date the 25th instant.

Saint Thomas' Mount
28th July 1857

Signed J. R. Brooke D. C.
Superintendant of Police

True (Copy)

Signed J. R. Brooke D. C.
Superintendant of Police

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No. 160.

To,

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

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B. No. 4057.
From the Collector
of Madura.

returned

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive this day the Endorsement of the Board of Revenue on Petition No. 3060. 1857 calling for an early report on the subject to which it refers.

2. Petitioner complains of the proceedings of the Mount Authorities in two instances, declaring them to be illegal, harsh and unjust.—

1st That his Servant (a woman) in charge of his Toddy Shop at Lydapetta had been sentenced to Labour on the roads for one month, for not registering her name at the Mount Police Office and that the Petitioner himself was fined 25 Rupees for not personally superintending

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Superintending the business of his Shop.-

2d. That the servant of his shop at Parur was impresoned for one month for not informing the Police authorities that his house had been engaged as a Toddy shop and that he himself was fined 50 Rupees for not having his measures stamped.-

3. The first of these acts, I have reported to the Board in my letter of the 28th. August 1856. Paras 26 and 29. and the second in my letter of the 1st. September. No. 138. Para 2 and 4.

4. I hold these acts to be in themselves illegal, contrary to the expres orders of Government, and occasioned by a hostile feeling towards the renters of this Office. the fines may be remitted if the Government are so pleased but the imprisonment of the two parties above mentioned has been undergone and is beyond remission. Even if guilty of an offence at all, which I do not

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not allow, I apprehend. that a fine should have been first imposed, and imprisonment follow only in default of payment. Petitioner was prepared to pay the fine if imposed in both instances.-

5. His shops have since been closed and certainly he has experienced much loss, but in the present state of things it would be folly in him to reopen them and expose himself to the same system of bullying from which he has so greatly suffered.-

6. Petitioner is one of the two parties whom the Brigadier informed by the Superintendent of Police, and he again by the Cutwal, has a designated, without, I believe, the slightest ground "an old offender and a man of bad character."

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7. The Superintendent has been removed to the Command of the Neilgherry Hills, and as I cannot but think that his conduct throughout the proceedings connected with the Mount Ab Karry, will call forth the disapprobation of Government, I must regret that his departure has taken place before the orders of Government on the question, are issued - The Control however remains, and if his influence is to continue as it has existed the last few years, the control of this Office over the Mount Ab Karry will extend to the limit he may allow, but no further

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9th October
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(Signed) B. Cunliffe,
Collector.

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Resd.

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Bd's No. 3877.

Resolution thereon. Resolved that the above letter be laid before Government with reference to Extract Minutes

Bringing to the notice of Govt. further instances of the difficulties attending the management of the Ab Karry of St. Thomas' under the interference of the Police authorities at that station, and repeating the Board's opinion that the fiscal arrangements should be left entirely to the Collector and the interference of the Police restricted to offences against good order.

Govt. Order No. 333 dated 21st August 1857

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Communication 11th August 1857, No. 802, (Revenue Department) and the previous correspondence between the Board and Government regarding the Ab Karry of St. Thomas' Mount.

2. The difficulties attending the management of the Ab Karry of the Mount in consequence of the control exercised by the Collector under Act XIX of 1852 and by the Joint Magistrate and Superintendent of Police under the Contonment Regulations, were brought to the notice of Government in the Board's letter dated 5th September 1856, No. 2918, and they reported on the subject in detail in their subsequent Proceedings of the 2d April last, No. 1027.

3. On the latter occasion they submitted for the consideration of Government Forms of Licence which contained many Stringent conditions intended with the view of ensuring good order and preventing drunkenness and irregularities as far as possible. This course was adopted purposely to meet the wishes of Government as expressed

In Cons 8th Dec. 1856. expressed in Extract Minutes Consultation 28 November 1856 (No 1262, Revenue Department).

4. The practical difficulties attending this mode of management however led the Board to suggest the propriety of adopting the course pursued in Madras Viz. of leaving all fiscal arrangements to the Collector and restricting the interference of the Police authorities to the punishment of offences against good orders.

5. On the opinion of their Pleaders the Government adopted the latter suggestion and the Board accordingly submitted revised forms of Licenses which were approved in Extract Minutes Consultation 5th August 1857, No 786, Revenue Department.

In Cons 12th June 1857 No 586 R.D.

In Cons 25th June " "

In Cons 15th Aug 1857

6. On the 4th July however the Collector reported that the Superintendent of Police, Colonel Brown, had refused to allow two of his renters to open their Shops in consequence of their declining to give Security for good conduct. The Board in their Proceedings of 2d April preceding had expressed their objections to such requisitions and they were expressly disapproved of by Government in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 15th July, disposing of the Collector's letter

In Cons 8th July 1857.

In Cons 22d July 1857 No 712.

In Cons 8 Aug 1857 letter (of the 4th inst) above referred to.

In Sel Cons 11th Cons 24th Aug 1857 No 802 R.D.

7. On the 25th of the same Month Brigadier Sheriff Commanding the Mount complained through the Military Department that the Collector had issued Licenses to two persons "to open Shops" in the Cantonment, "they being persons of bad character and old offenders" who had "already on former occasions been committed and punished for infringing upon the Regulations" and that "under these circumstances" Colonel Brown had required security from them for their good conduct.

8. The Collector's letter of the 28th August contains a reply to these complaints, which the Board will briefly discuss.

In Cons 9th Nov 1857.

9. The Collector points out that the Shops are seven in number and that only one of these is in the Cantonment itself, the other six are within the 4 Mile limits which, in the direction of Madras, extend as far as Sydapet.

10. The names of the renters referred to are Chellappah Graining and Arapoor Soobarayen Graining.

11. The first of these, in partnership with another person, rented the same

Shops

Shops at Sydapet and its vicinity in July 1856, but was with others rented in that year denied posessing by the Mount authorities for not furnishing Security. On that occasion no exception was taken to the character of Chellapah, he and his partner being described by Colonel Brown himself as "Strangers" as the enclosure to the Collector's letter shows. Chellapah has further deposed before the Collector that he never rented a shop within the Mount limits and has never been punished by the Police Magistrate the Collector reports that he holds two 3d. class Shops in Madras at a daily double of Rupees 2. 10-4 or Rupees 965 per annum.

12. The above circumstances seem to the Board to prove that the objections now raised to the character of Chellapah are wholly untenable.

13. The other renter A. Loberya Gramny took only one shop and it is that in the Mount itself. He deposes that he rented the Mount Shop in 1848/49 and held one in partnership with others for a short period about that time, that in that year he

he was fined 10 Rupees for supplying bad Toddy to a Bakery, but was never punished in any other instance.

14. The Collector reports that he holds two first and one 3d class shops in Madras at the daily rate of Rupees 6-14-10 or Rupees 2528 per annum. that he took the Palmyra Jaggery contract in 1852/53 receiving 12,000 Rupees in payment for Jaggery supplied and is, for his position wealthy & possessing property in lands and houses.

15. The Board concurs with the Collector that the petty fine imposed for an offence which involved no much of good order or discipline, does not warrant his being termed a person of "bad character" or justify the withdrawal of his Licence.

16. The Board can see nothing in the antecedent of either of these parties to render the demand for Security essential for the preservation of order and regularity.

17. The Collector points out that the previous silence of the authorities at the Mount as to the character

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of these renters, does not warrant the present assertion that Security was required in consequence of their bad character.

18. The Board think it probable that the words under these circumstances, at the commencement of para 2 of Brigadier Sheriff's letter to the Adjutant General of the army were inadvisedly used by that Officer—The Government are aware that the renters of Tasty 1266 were kept out of their Shops in consequence of their refusal to give Security, and that the issue of the positive orders contained in Extract Minutes Consultation 15th July 1857, Security was demanded indiscriminately from all the renters of the Eminent Toddy and not from these two only—Moreover in his letter to the Collector dated 2d July last, Colonel Brown mentions only the refusal to give Security as the reason for rejecting these persons.

In Pro 11th August 1857 No. 802.

In Cor 24 Aug.

B.D. No. 712. In Cor 22 July 1857

Encl: 2 in Collr's letter above recorded 28 August 1857. In Cor 9 Nov. No. 3172.

19. In the subsequent paragraph of this letter, and in his communication of the 1st September, the Collector complains of the treatment to which his renters are subjected and the

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heavy fines imposed for offences which even if committed are of no great gravity.

20. Chellapah grannay it seems has been fined 25 Rupees for not registering his servant at his Shop in Saidapet, 3 Miles from the Mount, and the woman herself sentenced to a month's imprisonment and labor on the roads for this omission which was rather her Master's fault than her own. A further fine of 50 Rupees has been imposed on him for not having his Measures Stamped—for mixing his evening and morning Toddy together, (according to custom in Madras), and for not being always in his Shop—the latter being simply impracticable as he has six shops within the Mount limits and two in Madras, and the servants of Chellapahs has also been imprisoned for one Month with labor—40 Measures of Toddy being found in the Shop on which had been closed by his Master.

21. A poor Sooloo grannay has been fined 5 Rupees because a Man found drunk stated he had obtained the liquor at his shop, and 20 Rupees for not having his Measures stamped.

22. Another renter, Mr. Cunliffe states, was prevented by the Mount Rons from taking Toddy from a garden within the

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the Mount limits to his Shop in Madras because he had no pass from the Mount authorities, although he had one from the Collector.

23. The Board of course merely repeat here what the Collector reports as they have no power of calling for Colonel Brown's Proceedings. Some of the offences are within the power of the Police authorities, but others do come within the scope of Act XIX of 1852, and Government may deem it advisable to take the opinion of their Pleader on these - as in the event of Proceedings instituted in the Court. The protection afforded by Act XVIII of 1850 cannot, the Board apprehend, be pleaded in the face of the Order of Government (Extract Minutes Consultation 12th June last) and the official opinion of their professional adviser.

In Govt 25 June/57 No. 586 R.D.

24. The Board also submit for the Orders of Government herewith a Petition presented to them by Chetty Pah Chetty praying an inquiry on this subject and the Collector's report thereon.

Encl. in Fort St. George 9th October & 9th November 1857.

25. The Collector's letter of the 30th July calls for no particular remarks, and it only remains for the Board to notice the Collector's letter of the 30th July last and Colonel Brown's of the 7th Ultimo.

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26. In the first part of the latter communication Colonel Brown disavows the question of the Collector's as and his own in cases coming within the Scope of Act XIX of 1852. The Board are not aware whether Act XVIII of 1853 has been extended to the Mount, but the present question was resolved in para 10 of their Proceedings dated 25th April last, and the opinion of the Government Pleader, given in Extract Minutes Consultation 12th June last, seems to decisive as to the operation of Act XIX of 1852.

No. 586 R.D. In Govt 25 June 57

27. In the second part of his letter Colonel Brown reverts to the subject of having the rents put up in his presence at the Mount - this question was discussed in para 6 and 7 of the Board's Proceedings dated 25th April last, but their suggestion made to meet the supposed wishes of Government was not adopted in consequence apparently of Mr. Dale's legal opinion. The Board consider the mode of management ultimately determined on (in Extract Minutes Consultation 12th June last) as decidedly the best, and they see no grounds for recommending that

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the rents should be concluded at the Mount — Had this been the case this year, it is clear that the renters of mere their ordinary respectability would have been summarily rejected. Moreover the whole correspondence now before Government shows, the Board think, that the measure is unnecessary and that if order and regularity are not duly maintained at the Mount, it cannot be from want of sufficient power or unwillingness to exercise it — Further consideration of the Subject confirms the Board in the opinion that the fiscal management of the Abkarry should be vested entirely in the Collector as required by Act XIX of 1852 and ordered by Government.

Para 28 to 31 in 2d Side of Sheet 3.

28. There are four points connected with the general management of the Abkarry and brought forward in this correspondence on which the Board will offer a few further remarks.

29. The requisition of Security — The Board objected to this as not warranted by Act XIX of 1852 and as

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as undesirable because placing the renter so greatly at the mercy of the Native Police & giving them an opening for extortion — The indirect result of the System, as the Board have pointed out, is that an Arrack renter for instance, may thus be mulcted for an offence on a sum four times as much as the penalty prescribed by Law for its commission — The Government have finally decided against the demand for Security, and the Board now see no reason to suggest any modification of that order.

30. The objection on the part of the Mount authorities to a person renting more than one Shop — the Board see no necessity for such a stipulation and would consider it preferable that all the Shops should be rented by one person of respectability and means, than that each should be held by petty dealers dependent for their livelihood on its profits and actuated by rivalry towards each other — In the Board's judgment the good order desired by the Mount authorities, will be most effectually and easily secured by encouraging men of property and character

character to take the rents than by Police Regulations and vexatious restrictions.

31. The registry of a renter's servants, as the Collector remarks, this is not necessary for fiscal purposes, and under Act XIX of 1852, the Master is responsible for the conduct of his servants. The Board however sees no objection to registration being made compulsory either by a clause in the Licence or by local Regulations, but the punishment inflicted in the cases mentioned by the Collector for omission to register, seems to the Board wholly disproportionate to the offence.

(1 Encl. to Col. Brown's letter.)

32. As to the continuance of renters from year to year without putting the shops up to auction, the Board will be perfectly ready at any time to entertain proposals of this nature in favor of respectable parties who have given satisfaction in the conduct of their shops, as increase of the Abkarry Revenue is a matter of secondary importance to the well being of the people.

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33. The Board trust that in disposing of the present reference Government will pass such orders as will prevent all further misapprehension.

The Management of the Mount Abkarry, with its Seven shops, as the Collector justly remarks, has entailed more discussion and correspondence than that of Madras with 400. and it is very desirable that the matter should be finally settled.

J. D.

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No. 234.

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

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B/ Pt. 4386.
From the Actg. Sub. Collr. in charge Madura.

Sir,

Adverting to Extract from the Proceedings of the Court of Wards under date 5th October 1857 requiring report relative to the application and operation of Act XXI of 1855, I have the honor to state that the principle of the Act were adopted and in a great measure acted upon in regard to the two Minors those of Shevagungah and Ayacoody now under the Court of Wards in this District prior to its enactment and that the Minors have since been treated under its provisions.-

Section II & III.

2. The Minor of Shevaigungah when 9 years of age was taken from that place and brought into Madura where he has since resided under the tuitelage of Mr. Fletcher who has I believe to the best of his abilities fulfilled his duties towards his pupil. The Minor, as the Court are aware, is not a youth of quick parts and I fear but little impression has been made on his moral sense - for this however the Act is not responsible, but in other respects I cannot think it has been used to beneficially as it might have been in the enforcement of the discipline it authorizes.-

3. The Collector Mr Parker seems to have had this object in view when he directed the Minor's Mother whose forbearance and influence he considered objectionable should

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should not remain in his vicinity in Madura. Had Mr. Parker's wishes been carried out much evil, I have reason to believe which has ensued, might have been prevented.-

4. The late guardian appointed on upon the unfortunate death of Koty Saciah is said to have supplied his place but indifferently - Under his administration servants of objectionable character contrived to surround the Minor and I fear have done him irreparable mischief.-

Act XXI of 1855.

5. The Minor was married by permission under Section IX on the 10th February 1856 and now instigated by his Mother is said to neglect his wife and has addressed a communication to the Collector requesting to be allowed to contract another marriage.

6. The Minor of Ayacody is a Boy of more intelligence and has profited as much under Mr. Fletcher's care as perhaps could reasonably be expected. He will I doubt not eventually afford a favorable Specimen of the working of the Act in regard to which my opinion is decidedly favorable. Any shortcoming in the case of the Minor of Shevagungah being attributable not to defects in the Act but to its not being fully worked.-

7. In regard to Para 2 of the Extract under reply the funds

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of the Minor of Sheva gungah realized approximate to Two Lacs of Rupees of this sum one Lac is available for immediate investment – The balance it is thought should be retained in hand in case owing to the lateness of the cultivation this year the first instalment of Kist does not come in so readily as usual.

8. The Ayacoody Minor has 2,000 Rupees in deposit of which five may be safely invested the remaining 3,000 Rupees, with whatever there may be in the hands of the Manager, being not more than sufficient to meet possible exigencies and to pay those debts of the deceased Abdalacandala Naik which have not yet been liquidated.

9 Neither of the Minors have securities in this office.

Madura 2 November 1837.

I have &c Signed J. R Cockerell. Asst Collector in Charge.

To

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No 170.

To

J. C. Sim Esqr

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St George

Sir,

In reply to the letter of the Sub Secretary No 3835 dated 27th Ultimo, I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter from the Head Assistant Collector on the subject of the survey

2. I would remark that Mr Chace never was informed of the proposition that one of Captain Orr's Assistants should test the work of the Survey pupils, nor did I know it till I saw it mentioned in the letter now under acknowledgment –

3. I have found the Survey class very useful, and if the work they are now employed on is done with the smallest amount of precision, their labor will not be lost –

4. At present there exists nothing but guess work to show the extent of land in any Village in this

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Bd No 3681

From the Asst Collector of Madura forwarding in reply to Bd's letter dated 27th Ultimo No 3835 copy of a letter from the Head assistant Collector furnishing information on the subject of the survey class employed in the District of Madura

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of the Minor of Sheva gungah realized approximate to Two Lacs of Rupees of this sum one Lac is available for immediate investment – The balance it is thought should be retained in hand in case owing to the lateness of the cultivation this year the first instalment of Rist does not come in so readily as usual.

8. The Ayacoody Minor has 8,000 Rupees in deposit of which sum may be safely invested the remaining 3,000 Rupees, with whatever sum may be in the hands of the Managers, being not more than sufficient to meet possible exigencies and to pay those debts of the deceased Obalacondalee Naik which have not yet been liquidated.

9. Neither of the Minors have securities in this office.

Madura, 2 November 1857.

I Signed J. R Cockerell.
Asst Collector in Charge.

To

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No 770.

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

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Bd No 3681.
From the Asst Collector of Masulipatam –
Forwarding in reply to Bd's letter dated 27th Ultimo No 3855 copy of a letter from the Head Assistant Collector & furnishing information on the subject of the Survey Establishment employed in the District of Masulipatam –

Sir,

In reply to the letter of the Sub Secretary No 3855 dated 27th Ultimo, I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter from the Head Assistant Collector on the subject of the Survey establishment employed in this District –

2. I would remark that I never was informed of the proposition that one of Capt Law Orr's Assistants should test the work of the Survey pupils, nor did I know it till I saw it mentioned in the letter now under acknowledgment –

3. I have found the Survey establishment useful, and if the work they are now employed on is done with the smallest amount of precision, their labor will not be lost –

4. At present there exists nothing but guess work to show the extent of land in any village in this

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this District, and I hope ere the year ends to have the boundaries of every Village in the important Taluk of Goodiyatam defined on paper, and the accommodated area of each Village will give the area of the Taluk, which can be tested

5. I need not tell the Board that with Examn. cases in arrears enough of themselves to occupy me twelve Months, and the duties of office, with a considerable amount of genuine arrears, it is impossible for me to give attention to the Survey class, it is even likely to prove of much advantage to Government.

6. I should be sorry to lose the services of this class, but it is my duty to report that to make efficient Surveyors you must be kept constantly under the eye of a practised Surveyor, and to ensure accuracy and neatness, every work done, should be examined and proved. The occasional inspection of Mr. Rhind, might do for lads who knew the principles but wanted more practice but a regular

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regular School is necessary, where the first principles must be taught, and I do not believe Government will ever raise from the present System, pupils more efficient than their instructors who are at the best amateurs.-

Masulipatam, Collectors Office,
Pattcherry, 9th September 1857.

(Signed) S. S. Hoey
Acting Collector

Enclosure No. 1.
No. 30.

To
S. S. Hoey Esqre
Acting Collector
Masulipatam.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 331 of the 3d Instant enclosing a copy of a letter from the Acting Sub Secretary to Board of Revenue dated 27th Ultimo No. 2856, I have the honor to inform you that no steps have been as yet taken to my knowledge towards testing the working of the class with the help of one of Captain Orrs Assistants

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2. The Circuit and Trusreh method of operations followed out by Captain Priestly in the Revenue Survey, might with advantage be adopted in this District, were it not for the want of proper instruments and the inability to use them if their want were supplied.—

3. Captain Priestly in selections from Records of the Madras Government No 15 page 25 speaking of the 'Trusreh' method says "the great advantages of this method are, first that it does not require a Compass, which is not to be depended upon for delicate work. The only instruments supplied for the work in this District are plane tables, and compass added to which a knowledge of the use and application of 'Traverse tables' would be necessary as well as that of a Theodolite.—

4. The plan that has been adopted and as described by me in my report dated 8th April 1856 No 2, is one that is most simple and easily understood by Natives, and approved as

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as nearly as possible to the Trusreh method, with the exception of the extreme accuracy obtained by the Theodolite, the outside boundary of the Village is first marked out, and surveyed with compass and chain and then the fields are all separately measured by chains and their contents estimated according to the plan described in the above mentioned report.—

5. Should it be thought sufficient to carry on the Survey in the present plan, or some one similar to it, where much knowledge of Surveying or Mathematics is not required by the person under whose charge the schools is, I shall be happy to continue my charge of it, but if much more is required, I feel it but my duty to decline the responsibility, for my current work would prevent my giving much time as would be necessary for that purpose.—

6. The Survey establishment as it now stands is eminently useful for settling boundary, and other Village disputes, me assuring the land

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afterwards he was attacked by small pox—During his illness he spoke to the people about him to the effect that according to the Dwma Shastras, he considered his adoptive Mother (Mootoowerayee Natchear the present Plaintiff) as the sole heiress to the Zemindary, and that he therefore wished (in the event of his dying) to place his family &c. in her charge. He furthermore wrote, on the 19th April 1830, an arzee to the then Principal Collector Mr. Nineash, stating that he was ill and did not know the will of Providence, that he wished this Plaintiff, who was his adoptive mother as well as his protectress and principal heiress to the Zemindary, should succeed to the Estate

estate and pay the Peishcush to Government; that he also wished his wife and children should be placed under this Plaintiff's protection, and the Zemindary rights bestowed on the Children when they shall have attained their proper age, that fearing this Plaintiff would not be able, through excessive grief, to conduct the business of the Zemindary, he has, with the Plaintiff's consent, appointed his own Brother, the 2d Defendant, to be the Manager, and that now, on the eve of his death, he entertained the same affection towards this Plaintiff which she had evinced in adopting him as her son; and that, in conclusion he wished every success may attend her reign. Two days after writing the said Arzee Ramasawmy Taver departed this life on the 21st of the same, April 1830.

7. In forwarding the arzee, the Principal Collector reported its subject to the Board of Revenue, distinctly setting forth this Plaintiff's rights to the Zemindary. Government thereupon confirmed those rights on this Plaintiff and permitted the Zemindary to remain with her. Agreeably to the request contained in the arzee of her adopted Son (deceased) and according to the Shastras this

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Plaintiff took under her protection the 1st Defendant / widow of the adopted Son / and her daughters. The Zemindary remained in possession of this Plaintiff till the 6th July present year.

8. The 2d Defendant, who had been appointed as the Manager of the Zemindary conducted himself, for some years to the satisfaction of this Plaintiff, and rendered to her proper accounts of receipts and charges. But afterwards, to suit his own ends, he neglected producing correct accounts, which induced this Plaintiff to caution him from time to time, but to no effect.

9. Subsequently to the Plaintiff urged on him / 2d Defendant / the necessity of producing accounts of receipts and disbursements for certain years, and further directed him, on pain of dismissal, to prove to her the state of the Treasury, containing money and jewels &c from Fusly 1240 to 1247. He however evaded Plaintiff's orders and embezzled the money in the Treasury.—

10. The since June 1838, this Plaintiff

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of ten addressed the present Principal Collector on the subject, he did neither pass satisfactory orders nor report about it to the Board of Revenue. On the contrary that officer placed belief on the false assertions made by the 2d Defendant during a personal interview which he had with him and disregarded this Plaintiff's complaint, on Plaintiff therefore reported all this to the Board and Government.

11 This Plaintiff caused her elder grand daughter Mungalaisoo † Daughter of Plaintiff's adopted son married to be suitably educated, and intended to confer on her the Zemindary rights so soon as she may attain her proper age. but the girl died on the 19th February present year.—

† Agreeably to the Desire of Plaintiff's adopted Son

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12 Subsequently the 2d Defendant instigated the 1st Defendant, who was under the protection of this ex Plaintiff; and both together wrote some fraudulent Arzees to the Principal Collector Piqued at the Plaintiffs having reported this irregular Proceedings to Government as stated in Para 10. the Collector wrote to the Board matters favorable to the cause of this Plaintiffs opponents. Without considering either the rights possessed by Plaintiff or the Arzee written on her behalf by her adopted son, or Government on the strength of the Collectors report merely have unjustly directed that the 1st Defendant be appointed Guardian to this Plaintiffs younger grand daughter named

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named Doorayraja Nalchyar. On the 7th July of this year the Collector communicated the Government order to this Plaintiff. On learning this the Defendants took possession of the Zemendary and all the moneys and jewels in the Treasury &c &c which were in charge of this ex Plaintiff.

13 Under all these circumstances Plaintiff prays this Court will be pleased to examine the evidence adduced by her to take into consideration the particulars of the Arzee written by her adopted son Ramasawmy Taver also the rights possessed by herself, and finally to order the restoration to her of the Zemindary and all its appurtenances as particularized below.—

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[A detailed list of Property personal and real; follow.]

12th December 1860

/True Translation/

/Signed/ J. P. Cockerell
Dy Sub Coll.r for Dy Coll.r

Enc 2.

Translation of answer in O.S. No 1 of 1857 on the file of the Civil Court of Madura.

1 The gist of the Plaint in this That the deceased Moottooveeroye Natchyar had been at liberty to enjoy not only the Property belonging to herself but also the Property she became entitled to by the Razeenamah executed before this Court in O. S. No 3 of 1848 jointly by her and the Plaintiffs in the present case, that she /Moottooveeroye Natchear/ had also the right to dispose of all such property just as she wished, so long as she lived and was in possession of her senses but that she /Plaintiffs in the present case/ was entitled to the remainder of the property which had been left by Moottooveeroye Natchyar after her decease because she /Plaintiff/ was the wife of Moottooveeroye Natchyar's adopted son; that the Defendant however has misappropriated the same on the strength of a will that the will in question was forged after the death of Moottooveeroye Natchyar, whose corpse was detained for 2 days for the purpose of enabling Defendant to prepare the false document and that the Magistrate aided the Defendant in such fraudulent Acti-

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2 The Defendant is aware that the Plaintiffs consciously wrote the 1st Para of her Plaint with a double meaning. He does not think that she has the boldness to deny the genuineness of the Razeenamah above adverted to. If however, he is mistaken in so thinking, the main point affecting both parties, is, whether or not the will is genuine. The Defendant is prepared to argue this.

3 The Defendant is confident of the falsity of the Plaintiffs assertions that the will is a forged one and that she has a right to succeed to Property. He is also very desirous that the Plaintiffs should be called upon to prove all that she has stated.—

4 The facts of the case are briefly as follows:

5 The deceased Moottooveeroye Natchyar was the lawful wife of a late Zemindar of Ramnad, she was also the adoptive Mother of the last Zemindar who was the husband of the present Plaintiff who is now in possession of the Zemindary and she was also the Defendant's Mother

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by Kindness.

Filed in O.S. No 30 of 1848 and dated 26th February 1847

6 The Razinamah alluded to above and which had been mutually executed by the present Plaintiff / the wife of Mouttouveeroye Natchyar adopted son / and Mouttouveeroye Natchyar, did put them especially the latter in possession of extensive Properties but not so extensive as the Plaintiff avers.—

7 The bulk of those Properties consisted in Company's Bonds. The Razinamah inquestion gave Mouttouveeroye Natchyar the right of disposing of all her property just as she pleased.

8 Mouttouveeroye Natchyar accordingly before her death, made over some of the company's Bonds to certain individuals, whilst she made over other Bonds greater in value to this Defendant who is her younger sisters son as well as / as confessed by the Plaintiff in the said Razinamah / her son by Kindness. The residue of her Property was likewise made over by will to the Defendant on the eve of her death subsequent

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9 Subsequent to the decease of Pannee Mouttouveeroye Natchyar, the present Plaintiff / contrary to the terms of the Razinamah and the Will / wrote letters to the Magistrate / contradicting them / to the effect that she was heir[illegible] to the deceased Pannee and was entitled to the whole of the property, real and personal, left by her. and that she / Plaintiff / wished permission to perform the necessary funeral rites for the deceased. Plaintiff, moreover addressed the Accountant General and the Sub Treasurer communicating to them her right to the Company's Bonds in their charge, notwithstanding that those Bonds had been made over to the Defendant some weeks prior to the Pannees demise.—

10 The Magistrate enquired into the matter fully, and decided in favor of this Defendant declaring the Will to be genuine. The Defendant performed the funeral rites for the deceased Pannee and is in the enjoyment of all the Property left by her. The Accountant General and Sub Treasurer have granted Receipts to the Defendant for the Bonds that they hold and the Interest due

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thereon is continued to be paid to him.—

11 The above are the facts of the case which can be proved by documents. The deceased had fully been empowered to dispose of her property, just as she pleased. Such power had been bestowed on her by the Pazimamah in question, which may be considered equally as good and valid as any Divisional Deed. Invested with such unquestionable right, she (Mootto veeroye Natchyar) executed the Will in question & the Defendant when she was alive and not (as the Plaintiff untruly alleges) after her death. The Regulations and Shasters quoted by the Plaintiff are not applicable to the present case.

12 A perusal of the Will in question would satisfy this Court as to the deceitfulness of the remark made in the 6th Para of the Plaint regarding the Will and to the worthlessness of the meaning intended to be conveyed therein. The objection intended to be raised therefrom is equally worthless.

13 The Defendant repeats his desire that the Plaintiff should be called upon to prove his statements. Defendant is prepared to shew by authentic documents that they are false.

10th March 1857

(Signed) Sungra Sastry
Defendant's Vakeel

(True Translation)
(Signed) J. R. Cockerell
Acting Sub Collector for
Acting Collector

Translation

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No. 3

Translation of a Deposition given on the 9th December 1812, by Mootto veerpia Taver Father of Annasawmy Taver, alias Mootto-vejia Ragoonada Saithoopady the adopted Son of Ranee Saithoopady (deceased).

Question	Answer.
1 Was the Chinna Rajah (Annasawmy) born when the Ranee returned to Ramnad from Madras?	Yes.
2. What was his age at that time?	He was then an infant of a year or a year and half old—
3. What was his age when the Ranee took charge of him?	I do not remember, but 3 months after the Ranee returned to Ramnad she sent for the child—
4. Who nursed the child?	So long as he was detained in the Village of Edambavidel its mother Kullyam may nursed it, but after the Ranee took charge of it, one Mookirchee nursed.

nursed it.

5. Were you in confinement when the child was born? — I was in my Village at the time. A month after its birth I was placed in confinement by Mootoo Ramaling Saithoopady on account of the departure, to Madras of my Brother in law Ramasawmy Taver the husband of the Rance.

9th December 1812, Ramnad. — The mark of Mootto Lempia Taver

/Signed/ R. Peter,
Collector.

/True Translation/
/Signed/ I. R. Cockerell,
Acting Sub Collector,
for acting Collector.

No. 4

Translation of a Deposition given on the 9th December 1812. by Vullyammay the Mother of Annasawmy Taver alias Mootoo Vejia Ragoonada Saithoopady the adopted Son of Rance Saithoopady, deceased.

Question

1 Whas the Chinna Rajah /Annasawmy/ born when the Rance returned to Ramnad from Madras? — Yes.

2. What was his age at the time? — I do not remember

3. What was his age when the Rance took charge of him? — About 2 years

4. Who nursed the child? — So long as it remained in the Village I nursed it, but after the Rance took charge of it one Mookirchee nursed it.

5. When the child was born was his Father in /Your husband/ in confinement? — The month following the birth of the child, Mootoo Ramaling Saithoopady, placed my husband in confinement, as he was the Brother in law of Ramasawmy Taver.

9th December 1812, Ramnad. — The mark of Vullyammah

/Signed/ R. Peter,
Collector.

/True Translation/
/Signed/ I. R. Cockerell,
Acting Sub Collector
for acting Collector.

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No. 260 of 1804

Translation of Decree passed by the late Zillah Court of Ramnad, dated 15th September 1804.

Plaintiff — Moottoo Ramalinga Tavei

Defendant — Rance Sathoopady

A Petition was presented at this Court on the 7th April 1804, to the effect that the husband of the Defendant stood related to the Plaintiff as maternal Uncle, that the Uncle brought him up from an early age he (Plaintiff) having been then 30 days old, that he had performed the funeral rites &c. for his Uncle, and that he was therefore entitled to the property which was then being enjoyed by Annasawmy. The 28th of July 1804 was fixed for taking this case into consideration. The Plaintiff's reply contains a different statement from what he alleges in his Petition or Plaint, viz. that he is entitled by right to the whole of the Defendants Zemindary.

Ordered therefore that the Plaint be dismissed and the Plaintiff pay to the Defendant 3 Pd. 17 Fs. It is not in the power of the Court to award fees to the Pleader, according to Regulation X of 1802 as the amount sued for is not shewn in the Plaint.

(Signed) and Sealed this 15th day of September 1804 in the Zillah Court of Ramnad.

(True Translation)
(Signed) J. R. Cockerell
Acting Subl Collector
for Acting Collector

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No. 6

Translation of a petition presented by the Government Vakeel, on behalf of the Collector in O.S. No. 3 of 1853 on the File of the Civil Court of Madura.

1. A Suit had been brought by Moottoo Ramalinga Tavei, great grand father of Sevasawmy Tavei, against Rance Mungalesoora Natchyar in No. 260 of 1804 on the File of the Ramnad Zillah Court, respecting the Zemindary of Ramnad now in dispute. The Plaint in that case states that the Natchyar's husband was the Plaintiff's maternal uncle, and that as he had brought him (Plaintiff) up from his childhood he (Plaintiff) was entitled to the Property enjoyed then by Annasawmy. In his reply however, the Plaintiff in that case spoke differently by stating that he was entitled by right to the Defendants' whole Zemindary. I herewith submit an authenticated Copy of the Decree passed

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in the above case, on the 15th September 1804 dismissing the Suit, in order to prove that the Plaintiff in the present case is not a coparcener of the 1st Defendant, he being a descendant by the female line. I pray that this document be taken into consideration among other papers.

2. Although the Plaintiff in stating that he is a Copartner of the 1st Defendant, has omitted to furnish a List of Pedigree shewing the names of the original Zemindar and his descendants and that he (the Plaintiff) is the great grandson of such & such a person, yet I beg that this Court will now be pleased to call for such a List, and afterwards proceed with the examination of the case.—

13th October 1858. } (Signed) Shanna Row,
Government Vakeel.

(True Translation)
(Signed) J. R. Cockerell,
Asst. Sub Collr.
for
Asst. Collector.

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No 7

Translation of a Motion presented at the Civil Court by the Vakeel of the Plaintiff in O. S. No 3 of 1853, counter to the motion (M. P. No 157 of 1857) presented on behalf of Government.—

1. The motion presented on behalf of Government refers to a statement made in a Plaint preferred by Mootoo Ramalinga Tayer (the grand father of the present Plaintiff) in No 260 of 1804, on the file of the Ramnad Zillah Court, to the effect that the (Mootoo Ramalinga Tayer) was the son of the elder sister of Ramasawmy Tayer (the husband of Magatasaree Natcheyar, a late Zemindar) and that he was therefore entitled to the Zemindary. The Motion further goes on to state that the Decree passed by the Court in that suit (No 260) was filed in the case then pending (No 3) and that from such Decree it appeared that Mootoo Ramalinga Tayer possessed only right as being the son of the sister of Ramasawmy Tayer, but not the right of a coheirship.—

2. There had been no necessity for Mootoo Ramalinga Tayer to institute a suit regarding his coheirship for the following reasons.—

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3. Moottoo Ramalinga Tauver was the step elder brother of Annasawmy Saithoopady alias Moottoonjaya Ragoonada Saithoopady the latter of whom, besides being a coheir was also the adopted son of Ranee Mangaleswara Natchyar and her husband Ramasawmy Tauver. Thinking that his heirship resting on his relationship to Annasawmy Saithoopathy was not of such a nature as would entitle him to the Zemindary, Moottoo Ramalinga Tauver instituted the suit in question / No. 288 / on the stronger ground of his relationship to the said Ramasawmy Tauver as his Nephew (Sister's son) He moreover supported such claim with instances of Nephews having been allowed to assume the title of Saithoopady and enjoy the Zemindary for 7 generations previous

4. The accompanying authenticated copy of a Family Tree will shew that Nephews did in fact enjoy the Zemindary.

5. From what is stated above, this Court will be convinced of the incorrectness of the allegations made in the motion presented on behalf of Government.

4th March 1857.

/ Signed / Sungra Sastryo
Plaintiff's Vakeel.

/ True Translation /
/ Signed / J. R. Cockerell,
Acting Sub Collector for the Collector

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No. 228.

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

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B° No. 4262
From the Actg. Sub Collr. in charge of Madura

In further Reference to the letter of the Board dated the 8th Ultimo, I have the honor to State that the Zemindar of Ramnad reports that Ramasawmy Tauver was married to Mungalaiswara Nachear in the month of Aye of the Tuny Yrkey year Pulava 1781—82 and that he died on the 18th Tungoony 29th March Yrkey the year Khontoobe 1803

2. In Regard to the portion of the 7th question asked by the Board and left unanswered in Mr. Sullivan's letter of the 19th Ultimo Seravaunny Tauver declines Communicating the date of his Father's decease on the ground that by doing so he might be injuring his cause — &c.

Jhs

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H.M. Government Vakeel has been instructed to ascertain whether the information cannot be obtained from the pleadings in the suit—

Madura, 26th October 1857. } (Signed) I. R. Cockerell,
Ag. Sub Coll.r in charge

No. 283.

To, I. D. Sim, Esq.re
Ag. Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

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B.R. No. 4365

Sir,

From Ag. Sub Coll.r in charge of Madura } With reference to the 2d para of my letter of the 26th instant No. 229

I have the honor to state that the Government Vakeel reports that Plaintiffs 1st Witness stated in his Deposition that the deceased Soondrapandia Tauvu alias Mungalaiswara Tauvu, the father of the Plaintiff, Senasaumy Tauvu, took place in the year Survary 1839-40 The precise date is mentioned, the Vakeel does not recollect, and has no means of

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of ascertaining now as the Records of the case have been forwarded to the Sudr Tedalut—

Madura — — } (Signed) I. R. Cockerell,
31st October 1857. }
B.R. No. 3831. Ag. Sub Coll.r in charge.
Order thereon—

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Ordered that the foregoing letters and their enclosures be forwarded to the Government Pleader in the Court of Sudra Tedalut with reference to Para 3 of the Board's letter dated 17th September last—

2 Mr. Dale will perceive that Ramasaumy Tauvu was married to Rauve Mungalaswara Nachear in 1782 and died on the 29th March 1803, whereas the date of the Summud Istimurar for the Ramnad Zemindary in the name of the latter, is stated to be the 22d April 1803— There seems to be some doubt about this latter date as a Counterpart in the Board's

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offers purports to have been signed by the Zemindar on the 13th July 1802 and to have been given in exchange for a Summud granted by the Governor in Council on the 22d April 1802 The Board have consequently called for an explanation from the Acting Collector - Assuming the 22d April 1803 to be the true date, the Zemindary was not confirmed to the Ranee Mungulavamara Nachear till after the death of her husband Moreover the Summud itself makes no allusion to him so that whether he was alive or dead it seems to have been the exclusive property of his wife - As such she treats it in her will dated the 11th April 1807 leaving the estate to his adopted son -

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3. Under these circumstances it seems difficult to suppose that the Expectancy of husband could possess any interest in the estate -

4. The adoption of a managaning Saithoopatty, otherwise called Mootoo nuzia Ragoonadha Satoopatty, took place in July 1803 after the death of Ramasawmy Taver -

5. Ramasawmy Saithoopatty, the Zemindar, husband of the present female Zemindar died on the 21st April 1830, leaving a widow and 2 daughters, so that the right of the petitioner's father, if he possessed any, then accrued - He is said in the Acting Jud Collector's letters of the 31st October 1857 to have died in 1839 or 1840 which is more than 12 years from the present time during which interval the Appellant Servandy Taver failed to prefer his Claim - If the Government Pleader deems it necessary that the exact date of the death of the appellant should be ascertained, a further reference will

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will be made to the Collectors -

6. The other points on which information is afforded in the letters recorded above do not seem to call for remarks from the Board -

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Bd No 4342
From the Reporter of External Commerce
Madras - - - - -

Official Memorandum -

Two statements of Fines imposed and Suspension and Dismissals of Public Servants employed in the District of Ganjam having been forwarded to this Department by mistake by the Acting Collector of the District, the Reporter of External Commerce forwards them to the office of the Board of Revenue to which they apparently appertain -

If the Trade Returns for September 1857, which are now due, have been received in the Board's office, in lieu of the papers enclosed the Reporter External Commerce will feel obliged by their being transmitted to his Department -

Madras,
Reporter External Commerce Office,
5th November 1857.

(Signed) W. E. Underwood,
Reporter External Commerce

Bd No 3843
To the Secretary to the Marine Board

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Official Memo.

The Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request that the Trade Returns from the Ganjam District for the Months of September 1857, sent under Cover to the Marine Board, may be transferred to the Reporter of External Commerce to whose Department they belong -

Resolved that the following letter be despatched -

To The Chief Secretary to Government -

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Bd No 3827 -
To the Chief Secy to Govt and Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to report that I have this day resumed my seat as a member of the Board of Revenue -

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
9th November 1857.

(Signed) E. Maltby

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Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous Letters and Statements:

349 My No 2394 From the Collector of Masulipatam - Returns of Service impd Dcas for Quarter ending 30th September 1857 -

350 My No 2393 From the Collr of Guntoor - Returns of Servts imposed Dcas for Quarter ending 30th September 1857 -

351 My No 2395 From the Collr of Masulipatam - Returns of Public Servants suspended for the month of Septr 1857 -

352 My No 2396 From the Collr of Masulipatam - Returns of Public Servants suspended for the Months of September 1857 -

353 My No 2397 From the Collr of Nellore - Comparative Statement of Salt for Home and Inland Consumption ending 30th April 55/56/57 -

354 My No 2399 From the Collr of North Arcot - Season Report for October 1857

355 My No 2228 From the Collr of Nellore - Season Report for October 1857

356 My No 2229 From the Collr of Tanjore - Season Report for October 1857

357 My No 2230 From the Collr of Madura - Season Report for October 1857

358 My No 2392 From the Collr of Cuddapah - Average Bazar Prices of Grain for the Months of October 1857 -

359 My No 2398 From the Collr of South Arcot - No exports or imports for last Month -

360 My No 21.00 From the Agent in Kurnool - Reporting the non transmission of Certain periodical Returns for the Months of October 1857 -

361 My No

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