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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Wednesday 23d December 1857

Present

(1043)

B. No. 5157

From the Acting Secy to Government

Read the following Papers

Public Department

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 17th December 1857:-

Under date the 17th December 1857 Concurring with the Board as to the necessity of purchasing the Ground at Cochin where-on it is proposed to erect a separate ward attached to the Civil Dispensary at that place for the reception of patients suffering from Small pox and authorizing the disbursement of Rupees 407-12 towards that object.

(See No. 1779 in Separate Volume)

(1043-44)

B. No. 4613

Order thereon

Ordered to be communicated to the Collector.-

(1045)

B. No. 5144

From the Rg Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Under date the 19th December 1857 Communicating to the

the Board for early report a letter and its accompaniments from the Bombay Government relative to a boundary dispute between the Village of Koombarodeh in the Beedee Talook of the Belgaum Collectorate and the Village of Hoodulgaum in the Soopa Talook of the Canara Collectorate. } See No 1328 in Separate Volume

(1045-46)
Bd No 4641
Order thereon — Ordered to be forwarded to the Collector of Canara for a brief account of the case and the value of the land in dispute The Board would also wish to know how the boundary proposed would tally with that already laid down on each side.-

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(1047)
Bd No 5145
From the Ag Sec to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Under date the 19th December 1857

Communicating the views of Government concurring with the Board.

Board in the expediency of continuing any longer the preparation of the Kachuar Chittahs or accounts of the landed properties in Malabar and directing that the Acting Collector be accordingly instructed to discontinue the Establishments entertained for that purposes.- } See No 1330 in Separate Volume

(1047-48)
Bd No 4689
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Mr Robinson will state whether the conjectures in para 10 is correct.-

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(1049)
Bd No 5146
From the Ag Sec to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Under date the 21st December 1857

Resolving to publish in the Official Gazette the Statement Submitted with Boards Proceedings 7 December 1857 showing the } See No 1332 in Separate Volume

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1049-50
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After No. 5168
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Recording Sanction to the grants of land made to the Zamindars of Masulipatam in exchange for their Maniems taken up for the Godavery Channels and likewise authority for the disbursement to them of Rupees 2590-7-10 in Compensation for their loss of income } See No. 1339 in Separate Volume

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1057-52
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who will attend to the instructions in paras. 6 to 9 & 16.

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From the Actg. Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultations Under date the 22d December 1857

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Extract

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No. 156

From the Collector of Coimbatore

To

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

1055

B. No. 3901

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the Board's information, the death on the 7th June 1857 of one Soobharaya Vala Comadien Poligar of Mungalum in the Talook of Cookraghurry in this District.

2. The Poligar was in the receipt of a Pension at Rs. 42 a. 14 p. 11 per annum as per sanction of Government dated 10th April 1827 conveyed in a letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue under date the 13th August of that year.

The family left by the Poligar consists of his 2 Widows and 2 Sons by the 2d Wife; and they have no means of livelihood except the above Pension as appears from an enquiry made thro' the Tasildar of that Talook.

3 The elder son of the said Poligar is aged

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aged about 10 years and the family requests continuance of the above Pension, having no other means of subsistence I beg however to recommend that the pension in question may be reduced from 3—9—3 to 3 Rupees 3 Mensem or 36 Rupees a year.

I beg to enclose a Tabular Statement in the prescribed form to show the particulars of the pension in question.

Coimbatore Collectors Office
Coonoor
26th September 1857

Signed E. B. Thomas
Collector

Report

* Comara chinna Vala comadien

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Fort St George

Report of lapses of Enams Yeomiahs &c. in the District of Coimbatore under the Boards' Circular dated 22d May 1845- dated 23d December 1857

Order.	Village and Taluk	Extent and Value of the entire Enams or Yeomiahs	When and by whom granted	Summary of the Documents in Support of the grant	Nature of the grant whether Service Inam subject to the duty thereof or not by the grant	Name of the Original grantee	Name of the last holder who held by virtue of the grant and the relation he bore to the original grantee	Name of the present holder and the relation he bears to the last holder	Whether Service Inam subject to the duty thereof or not by the grant	Recommendation and grounds thereof	Recommendation of the Board of Revenue and grounds on which it is founded.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Polichi Pudur										
	Mangalam in Coimbatore										
	Rs. as. p. 42 14 —										
	Sanctioned by Government 10th April										
	Done.										
	Sri Siva of the Polichi Enam										
	Sobharayada Comdan										
	Sobharayada Comdan was the Original grantee died in June 1857.										
	Rs. as. p. 42 14 —										
	Grama Chinnaya Na Comdan died Parasu Na Comdan Hisdaughter succeeded										

No other Enams of this description

The applicant has no other Enams than the subsistence Enam which is rendered from 42 to 36 Rupees

Signed E. B. Thomas
Collector

Coimbatore Collectors Office
Coonoor 26th September 1857.

Remarks

13 14 15

Bd. No. 4653

Remarks thereon

1055-50

This appears to be a subsistence Grant conferred in lieu of a resumed Poligarship and is included in the list of pensions paid to the families of the late Poligars of the Southern Division of Coimbatore

In Cons. 19th April 1827

From P.C. Collector 20 in Cons. 27th July 1826

To Govt 15 in Dy Consultation 19th March "

From Dº 10 in Consultation 19th April "

Sanctioned by Government on the 10th of April 1827 No. 267 Revenue Department The Principal Collector in Submitting this list stated that the allowances had been paid since the Poligar rebellion in 1800 and that the exact authority for their payment could not be ascertained as "the Southern Division of Coimbatore then formed part of the Collectorate of Dindigul and no separate record of the transactions of that Division was extent

2. The Original Grantee died

died on the 7th June last leaving two widows and two sons aged 10 & 7 years respectively who are entirely dependent on the pension for their support. The Collector recommends the reduction of the pension from Rupees 42 to 36 per annum and its continuance at the reduced rate to the Grantees family.-

3. Considering the trifling amount of the allowance the Board would rather continue it unreduced to the Widows for life on the death of the survivor it will wholly lapse to Government.-

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Read again Extract Minutes Consultation dated 15th October, and entered in Consultation 7 Dec. 1857.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply

To

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B. No. 4649

To the Actg. Secretary to Government Revenue Department

In Cy. Dec. 4600 1857

To

The Acting Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department

Sir

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 15th October 1857 No. 1055 I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that the Government will be pleased to place at their disposal a sum of 2000 Rupees for the purpose of purchasing Cloth for making Peons' Belts.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George
23d December 1857

Signed C. Gorber
Acting Secretary

Read

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No. 326.

To

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

1058

B. No. 4434
From the Collr. of Chingleput.

Sir

I have the honor to bring under the consideration of the Board the following circumstances relative to the rent of the Shell Quarries at Soonnapagoontah and yellavoor in the Nayer Talook for Fuslies 1263 and 64.-

Reporting matters connected with the Rent of shell Quarries at Soonnapagoontah.

2. It appears that the Quarries inquestion were leased by the late Mr. Cochrane to one Gopaliah for the above period at Rupees 1140 per annum as particularised in the margin The first year of the farm proved unfavorable owing to the shallowness of water in Cochrane's Canal allowing but few shells to be brought to Madras or at least those ascertained to have been brought thro' the Collector of

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Soonnapagoontah	215.
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No.

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B. No. 4649

To the Ag. Secretary to Government Revenue Department

In Cy. Dec. 1857 4600

The Acting Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

Sir

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 16th October 1857 No. 1055 I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that the Government will be pleased to place at their disposal a sum of 2000 Rupees for the purpose of purchasing Cloths for making Peons' Belts.

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of Madras and sold at the basin appear to have been barely sufficient to Cover the expences of their excavation, boat hire, toll &c. leaving the renter little or nothing to pay his Rists with. This state of things continued till the 4th Month of the 2d year when the renter failing to make any payments but claiming large remissions Mr. Smollett ordered the farm to be attached on the 31st October 1854, when the shells then excavated by the Renter and ready for shipment were found to be 117 Garces 13 Parahs valued at Pr. 1261-15

3. Had immediate measures been adopted for the sale of the shells or had they been made over to the Renter on proper security as repeatedly requested by him the whole or nearly the whole of the balance outstanding against him would have been recovered with greatest ease

but no such measures were adopted nor were any arrangements made for the excavation of new shells while the farm remained under attachment from October 1854 to June 1855, the whole of the time being spent in vain discussions with the renter relative to his losses and claims to remission.

4. Shortly after assuming charge of the District my attention was drawn to the subject by the receipt of a letter from Colr. Atkinson late Superintending Engineer Presidency Division bringing to notice the want of Chunam for the Public Works under Construction in his Department and requesting me to supply his Contractor immediately with the quantity he required. On this an order was issued to the Tahsildar to dispose

of

of the Shells under attachment to Colle. Atkinson's Contractor at their market value when it transpired that a great quantity of shells had been washed away by the overflowing of the Canal where they had been stored and that 15 Garces and 78 Parahs only valued at Rupees 159—12—a were to be found. These were made over to the Contractor.

5. Necessary enquiries were now held and it appeared that the Chief blame lay with the late Head Sheristadar who omitted to make any arrangements for the management of the Quarries when attacking them or to seek for orders on the subject either from Mr. Simollett or myself while at the same time it was

was very evident that the Talook Servants whose ex-Officio duty it was to look after the shells had done nothing of the kind leaving them to be washed away or plundered by boatmen as it might chance to happen, under these circumstances as the readiest way of recovering the losses that had happened I Caused a quantity of shells valued at Rupees 789—a as p 3 to be reexcavated at the Cost of the Servants referred to and sold to the credit of the Renter so that out of Rupees 1261—15—7 a as p for which the shells had been attached Rupees 914—9—2 were recovered and brought to account as per

Value of the shells attached —	Rs a p 1261-15-7	per particulars noted in the margin, and the loss which actually occurred by the shells being washed away for which there appears to be no recovery is
Deduct value of shells sold to Coll- Atkinsons Contractor...	139-12-"	
sold to another party	789-"-3	
	948-12-3	
Deduct charge of Management under amany	34-3-1	
	914-9-2	

Rupees 313-3-4.

6. The arrears of Rist due by Gopaliah for the 16 months the farm was under his manage-ment Viz^t from July 1853 to October 1854 amount to Rupees 1520 as detailed in the margin from which deducting Rupees 914-9-2 being the amount of the sale Proceeds of the shells under amany, the balance is Rupees 605-6-10 Of this amount Rupees 313-3-4 forms the amount of loss which occurred during the amany management as explained in Para

Rupees 1140 for Fusly 1263
380 for 4 months in 1264 viz
July August September & October
Total Rs. 1520

Para 5 and the remainder Rupees 292-3-6 is due by the Renter who has no means of paying it the farm during the period it was in his hands having proved an actual loss to him as already described. Under these Circumstances I beg to request sanction for writing off the above amount Viz Rupees 605-6-10 to Profit and Loss it having been included in the demand of Fusly 1264/65 and which for reasons already detailed is quite irrecoverable.

7. I further beg to request authority for writing off Rupees 760 being the amount of nominal demand for 8 Months in

Fusly

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Fusly 1264 during which the farm was under annany but when no measures were adopted for working the Quarries on behalf of Government as already explained. The amount having been included in the accounts requires authority to be written off. Thus the total amount to be remitted for which sanction is Requested is Rupees a p 1365 — 6 — 10.

Chingleput District,
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet 7th Novr.
1857.

Signed C. J. Shubrick
Collector

C.B.

Pro

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BC No. 4559

Proceedings thereon. (1058-59)

From the above letter it appears that the Shell Quarries of Soonapayantah and yellavoor in the Nayer Talook of Chingleput were rented to one Gopaliah for Fusly 1263 and 1264 at Rupees 1140 per annum.

2 The first Fusly was an unfavorable one. the renter is believed to have realised little and paid nothing In the fourth month as the renter had still made no payments and claimed large remissions W. Smollett attached the Farm which remained under Annany for the rest of the term of Lease.

3 When this step was adopted shells to the value of Rupees 1261—15—7 were ready for shipment.

N.B. It is not stated how this value was ascertained

4 At that time therefore the renter owed Government 1520 for Kists and the Collector held shells to the value of 1261—15—7 so that the balance

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balance against the renter was then Rupees 258—0—5.—

5 No steps were adopted for the resale of the Contract the working of the Quarries or the sale of the Shells and Mr. Shubrick's attention was not drawn to the subject until he received a letter from the Superintending Engineer of the Presidency complaining of the want of Chunam for public works.—

6 Enquiries were then made and it was found that of the original stock there only remained Shells to the value of Rupees 159—12—3 and these shells were made over to the Contractor. The balance is ascribed chiefly to the late Heavy Shirestadar and in a secondary degree to the Talook Servants.

7 To make good the loss some measure Mr. Shubrick caused Shells to the value of Rupees 789—0—3 to be excavated at the expense of the Talook Servants and sold to

N.B. The date is not specified.—

Note. From the marginal abstract in para 5 it appears that the Contractor was not the renter.—

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159—12—3 Shells sold to Contractor
789—0—3 Do sold to others
948—12—3

the benefit of the renter By these means a gross sum of Rupees 948—12—3 was realised from which however Rupees 34—3—1 were to be deducted for management leaving the net sum of Rupees 914—9—2 as a set off against the arrears of rent.—

8 Mr. Shubrick requests permission to write off Rupees 1365—6—10 made up of Rupees 605—6—10 the difference between the Kists and proceeds up to October of Fasly 1204 and Rupees 760 the Kists for the remainder of that Fasly.—

1520
914—9—2
605—6—10
760
1365—6—10

9 The Board have not before them the Contract deeds but they concur with the Collector that under the circumstances the renter cannot equitably be held answerable for the gross neglect of the Officers of government after the attachment of his Farm At that date however he owed Government after deducting the value of his Shells Rupees 258—0—5 and they wish

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wish to see his agreement and h
have a decided opinion from the
Collector before they recommend the
he should be relieved from this
liability.-

10 The sum of Rupees 789—0—3 s
should be carried to the credit
Government against the Kists
Fasly 1264 from October of that ye
Viz Rupees 760. the surplus of Rupe
29—0—3 being available for cha
4. The Collector will however
explain what the charges
comprise for no case seems to
have been taken of the interests
either of Government or the renter.

11 The liabilities of the
Renter being limited to the item
of his actual profession the
account between him and
Government will stand thus
Kists to October.

Fasly 1264	1520—0—0
Dednet Shells	1261—15—7
	258—1—5

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12 The result of the entire
transaction as it affects Government
will be 2 years Kist 2280—0—0.

Management	34—3—1
	2314—3—1
Dednet Shells 189-12-4	948—12—3
D° " 789—0—3	
	1365—6—10

13 The actual loss to
Government will thus be Rupees
1365—6—10 and if the agreement
of the renters permits it
probably the best course will
be to close his account on the
31st October Fasly 1264 so as to
leave no opening for complaint
on his part against the subse-
quent management, and to
write off the balance Rupees
1107—6—5.-

1365—6—10	
258—0—5	
1107—6—5	

14 Before however
the Board can make any definite
proposal to Government they require

the

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the information above noted.

15 They also wish to know why the Collector did not fully carryout his plan of recovery and cause the Talook servants to make good the whole quantity of missing Shells instead of only a portion He will also state whether in his opinion the renter deserves indulgence on account of the first year of his lease and whether he assents to the proposed arrangement.

16 The Board would also wish to know briefly what arrangement have been made for the Quarries subsequent to Fasly 1264.

17 They take this opportunity of reminding the Collector that he has not replied to para 2 of their Proceedings 24 October last regarding the Ennum

Quarries

× 1261 — 15 — 7
159 — 12 — 0
1102 — 3 — 7
789 — 0 — 3
313 — 3 — 4

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Quarries. This matter will however be Kept separate from the present reference.

No. 157.

From

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

To

The Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

(1060)

Dd No. 4642.
From the Collector of Vizagapatam

Sir,

In reference to your × Endorsement dated 19 September last on Petition No. 107 of 1857 addressed by Private Gunjah attached to the 4th Company of the First Native Veteran Battalion, I have the honor to report that the complaint was heard by my Predecessor Mr. Smollett and dismissed on the ground that the Ennum was not entered in the Permanent Settlement Accounts but was a subsequent acquisition and which 24 years ago had been incorporated in the Zemindaree.

× herewith Sent

The

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Ka. Petitioners claim is undisputable.

No. 272.

To

L. D. Liew Esqre
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

Sir

With reference to the Endorsement of the Board on Petition No. 2686 of 1857 I have the honor to refer the Board to a Tabular Report from my predecessor dated 11th August 1857. from which the Board will perceive the cause which led him to recommend the resumption of the Enam in question.

Madura
27th November
1857.

/Signed A. Bathaway
Acting Collector

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B. No. 4763
Fromthe Collector
of Madura

* herewith returned

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The Talook of Palcondah in which the Enam land exists being under Rent to Messrs Arbuthnot & Co. it is now under their immediate enjoyment.

Vizagapatam Collectors Office, 17th November 1857.

/Signed C. H. Reade
Collector

B. No. R
4533

Proceedings thereon. Papers

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Endorsement on Petition No. 101 of 1857 in the affair of the

21653 to 55

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B. of R. 4839

Order thereon

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Ordered that the
petition be forwarded to the
with reference to the Board's Pro
ing dated 11th September 185
2 It is observed
in the Statement forwar
with the Sale Acting
letter dated 11th August 18
Petitioners name as when
and that the name there
of the Village is different
from that by which it
designated in the Petition
Petitioner states himself to
son of the deceased Enam
dar.

Re

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No 309

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

Sir

1064

B. of R. No 4793

From the Collr of
North Arcot

I have the honor with Reference

With Reference to para 2 of Extract Proceedings Board of Revenue

Reference to para 2 of Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 21st November 1857 No 4167 forwards the documents referred to with translations-

dated 21st November 1857 No 4167 to forward the

1 Persian Inahuzna
-mah dated 23d
Rajub Hijery 1198
1 Syal Kayam dated
27th Jelhuz Hijery 1214

documents Referred to with
translations-

2 Altho' the lapse occurred in 1843
it was not Reported till 25th January 1854 the
Tahsildar has been called upon to explain
the cause of this delay as also to Report in
whose possession the Enam has been since
the lapse as now is-

3 As the Enam land is situated in
one of the Talooks of the Sub Division, the
case was Referred to the Sub Collector by Mr
Bourdillon then Collector on the 18th July 1854
Mr Sullivan has been Requested to explain
the cause of the delay in its disposal-

4 When the above information
has been received it will be
Communicated to the Board without
delay

North Arcot
Collectors Cutchery
Chittoor
28.th November 1857

Delay.

(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collr.

Enclosure No.1

A true Copy of the original Translation of an Hoylooeeyanee bearing Seal of Mahomed Sheriff ally Sahib Sudr of Mahomedpoor dated 27.th Zeleej Hejree 1214 -

One Canny of Nunjah land excluded from Jummah but fit for Cultivation in the Cu of Alloor of the Trinatoor Talook was allotted the support of Streenurawzhut Zemindar und Inahazus bearing the Seal of the Naib of Cazy Shaik Mahomed Tilmasany dated 23 Rajub 1198 and the Phasiat of Fusly 1199 and the same co Continued to him upto the last year Fusly 12 The Enayetnamah of the present year Fusly 12 bearing the personal seal and dated the 8.th Zeb Hejree 1214 authorizes a Continuance of renal of the arazee Enam Deham Inneshm and Inerah in Mahomedpoor attached to the Trinatoor Veo Talook in case they had been Continued up to the last Fusly - The original Enayenamah has been Received in the Durcaw and is

Copy

Copy in the Sudarats Records and therefore the Enam in question has been Continued on from Fusly 1209 according to the usual Dustoory of Nuwaub Nazum Jung Bahadoor the Nail of Nabob Meer Sah Mahmoods Bahadoor - the party to whom the Enams is granted is in existence in the above said Talook - His Vakeel Ashrutta Chary appeared during the present year and produced his Life Certificate and Copy of the Mahazurnamah bearing the Seal of Mahomed Syed Nadeem Canny the Cauzy of the Town of Mahomedpoor to the Sudarats duftor - The Vakeel has the original Mahazurnamah with him -

One individual Canny of Nunjahland -

(A true Translation)
(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

Enclosure No.2

Seal of the Naib of Cauzy - Shaik Silmo sany -

I have fixed my seal on the evidence of the Cauzee Goomastah and Peyada Veo -

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Instrument a list of Peroyatoor Call of the Mussulmen Hindoo Davenoor Deer Dandies Cangeer Nairoo and Ryots of the Trivuttoor Talook Wandawash Purgunah Carnatic Paingaut Saulah Mohomedfoor otherwise Called arcot who are acquainted with the circumstances of 1 Cawny of Ninjah land excluded from the Summah list fit for Cultivation in the Cusbah of aforesaid attached to the above Talook granted to me as Enam under the Purwanah bearing the seal of the late Sadut Oolah Sahaw and the Chit" bearing the seal of the Mohomedfoor Cutcherry having been Continued to me up to Fusly 1189 and of the said Purwanah and Chit having been lost during the invasion of Hyder ally Cawn will for Gods sake affix their name to this paper in Confirmation of the above fasteening of Ninjah land

Witnesses-

(Signed) Narina Narasurry
" Cungah of Wandawash
" akoo Appanungar
" Chinna Appanungar
" Veeraparumah Village Curnum

(True Translation)
(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector

23d Rijjul
Fuzzee 1198

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B. No. 4656

Remarks thereon These appears to have been a personal grant from the tenor of the two documents dated Respectively 1783 and 1799-

2 The last holder having died without heirs and the claimants being members of a divided branch of the family and therefore not entitled to succeed the Board Concur in opinion with the Collector that the Grant has escheated and should be Resumed accordingly-

3 The lapse occurred so far back as 1843 and the officers by whom it was enquired into have been Called to account for so great a delay in Reporting the Case-

1064-65

No. 143

To I. D. Sim Esqr.
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revr.

Sir

With reference to your letter of the 27th ultimo Requesting me to expedite the submission of my settlement Report for Fusly 1266, I have the honor to inform you that the

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B. No. 1852

From the Collr. of Salem

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the Settlement Report for my Dis-
trict was despatched from my Off.
on the 25th ultimo—

Salem Collr. office
Cojoor
2d December 1857 } (Signed) H. A. Brett
Collr.

Order thereon Ordered to be Recorded

(1066-67)

Read again letter from the Coll.
of Cuddapah dated 8th December
and entered in Consultation 11th Dec.

Bd Rs. 4651-
Proceedings thereon Ordered that the foregoing
(1068) Communication be forwarded for
information of Government with
-ence to the Seasons Report from the
Submitted on the 11th Instant—

The Rain fall in Selected Sta-
that district appears to have been as fol-

10812 Talooks Muddanpully (South)
1825 " Royachoty (North)
6775 " Cheemoor (do)
8 00 62 " Cundoor (do)
50 625 " Coilcuntlah (do)
56 625 " Cobbaiel (do)

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

(1069)

Bd Rs. 5737
From the Collr.
of Trinnelly

Sir

I have the honor to acknow-
-ledge Esctract from the Proceedings of
the Board of Revenue dated 5th December
1857 with its enclosure Esctract
from the Minutes of Consultation under
date the 5th December 1857 Regarding
the Custody and sale of Stamps—

2 In Trinnelly the Stamps
Servants are distinct from those of
the Collector's fiscal Establishment
Where are a Darogah who is also
vender at the Hoozoor on a Salary
of 30 Rupees a Month and a
Goomastah on a Salary of Rupees
10—8— a Month—the Head Sheristadar
is made fully aware of his Res-
-ponsibility in examining and Checking

the

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the Stamps accounts as well as accounts in other Departments - the instructions I consider in force of the Boards Circular under Ry that translations of the Boards orders should be furnished to Sheristahs Department will be attended to -

Trincomaly -
Circuit Cutchery
Tutacorin
14th December 1857

(Signed) I. Silver
Collr.

Order thereon - Ordered to be Recorded

To I. D. Lewis Esqre
Actg. Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir,

With Reference to the Min
Minister of Conversation dated 3d Inst
No. 1248 I have the honor to inform
that the Stamps Darogah mostly
in this district is altogether depen
from the fixed Establishment of the Coll
and

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and has been so for a number of years, so that the Rules laid down by the Board are not applicable -

2 The Stamps Darogah is entrusted with the whole of the stamped papers required for the use of the Province They are kept in a sealed Box in the Treasury in which there is an account of the value and the number of stamps respectively each Month he takes out what may be required for the use of the various vendors during the Month which are distributed according to their Indents upon him and at the end of each month, the Head accountant, the Cash Keeper and the Darogah form themselves into a Committee and examine the Stamps on hand and forward their Reports

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Reports with their Signature to
the Collector - From this it
will appear that the orders
of Government as laid down
in Para 11 Minutes of Consul-
tation of the 3.d December
are in force at the present
time and will be Reptd to-

Cuddapah Coll.r

Office on Circuit

at Sunnulmudgos

15.th December 1857

Bd's No. 173.

Proceedings thereon —

(1071.72)

(Signed) Jno. Innes

Coll.r

The Board think it under-
that the whole amount of stamps should be lefto
Daragahs charge - It would be better to wive
months support at a time the remainder bein
by the Collector as if it were so much Cas
This course will now be followed

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To

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

Sir

(1073)

Bd's No. 5133
From the Coll.r
of Chingleput
5th

Reporting on the progress and effect of the Public Works in this District for the official year 1856/57.

I have the honor to report on the
progress and effect of the Public Works
in this District for the official year
1856/57, as called for in Extract from the Boards'
Proceedings No. 1866 of the 22.d May 1856. —

2 A Sum of Rupees 2,67,602 was authorized
to be advanced to the Department of Public
Works in the year under report Of this Rupees
2,10,264 were actually disbursed. Rupees 110524
on account of new works, and Rupees
99740 on account of repairs. —

3 Under the Head of "Irrigation works",
no new works of any importance were
undertaken during the year, those
in progress were commenced in 1855
when the executive was in this Depart.-
ment 6

ment These were the Poular and Cauvaram annicuts, intended for the better supply of the Tanks in the Peddapolleem, Conjeveram Sydapet and Manemangalum Talooks, and the consequent increase of their Revenues They were, however, stopped in the latter part of the year owing to the monitary crisis then and now experienced. The estimates for these Projects amount to Rupees 2,03,345 and 12,336, and the works that has been actually performed to Rupees 35,346 and 6,775 respectively The other minor works which were partly suspended on account of financial difficulties had been undertaken more or less for the amount of the existing Revenues.

5 A sum of Rupees 45,876 was expended on Roads and Bridges. The most important works the Bridge and Anicut over the Adyar on the road from Saint Thomas Mount to Poonamally. The Bridge, with 9 arches and

was commenced in 1855, but was carried away by a fresh in August after an outlay of Rupees 24,807. It has since had to be built up again. Materials for the Anicut intended to instruct the artillery in pontooning are being collected. A portion of Trunk Road No. 6 between the 11th and 27th mile stones was remetalled at an outlay of Rupees 11,000 and that between the 5th and 17th Milestones widened at a cost of Rupees 4,780. The work remaining to be done has been suspended for want of funds.

5 A portion of the Southern Trunk Road No. 8 between Manemdoor and Madooranlakum was remetalled at a cost of Rupees 6,500, and the Roads from Corattoor to Tiruvallore and from the latter place to Pa=mongey leading to Cuddapah have had Rupees 8072 laid out on them. Certain cross roads between the Mount and Poonamally, Sydapet and the Mount, Ponnary and the Northern Trunk

Trank Road, and Cherambal and Tondiarpa have likewise been constructed at an aggregate charge of Rupees 6,100—

6 Under the Head of "Buildings" a sum of Rupees 635 has been expended in reconstructing the Head Assistant Collector's Cutcherry at Chingleput out of an Estimate of Rupees 1,542, as Rupees 625 in extending the Burial ground at Saint Thomas's Mount leaving Rupees 282 to be still worked out.—

7 There are the works which have been constructed or began to be constructed during the year. Repairs to the extent of Rupees 99750 have been executed to works which were most in need of them. Rupees 8078 have been absorbed in repairs on different Roads, the Contonment of St. Thomas's Mount, Repairs to Irrigation works, and Rupees 1617 on clearing the front of the Adyar Anicut and Building a wharf for the use of the

the Artillery at the mount. These several works necessarily benefited those for whose improvement they had been constructed or repaired.—

8 A sum of Rupees 80,542—8—11 was also advanced for extending the Coast Canal in this District to Sadras. the beneficial influence of which on the traffic of the country has to be seen hereafter, it not having been as yet connected with Cochrane's Canal in the North or Pondicherry Cuddalore in the South, whence extensive traffic is to be expected.—

9 In conclusion, the charges of Establishment have amounted to Rupees 66590 being at a rate of 31 per cent on the outlay. In the year 1853/54 the last year the executive was entirely in the hands of the Revenue authorities the charges amounted to Rupees 8243 "

or Rupees 6 per cent on the outlay as shewn in the Margin. the difference is 26 per Cent in favor of the former System, while, I believe, there has been no improvement in the style of work

*	Year	Establishment charges	Outlay	Per Centage
	1853/54	14,208	82,43	6
	1856/57	2,10,264	6,65,90	31
			Difference	26

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work under the new to set off against it.

10 I scarcely know whether in the Report on the works executed by the Public Works Department, I should point out a defect which appears to me to exist in the powers they are invested with, but as the necessities of the country appear to me to require it, I hope I may not be considered out of place in recommending that they should be permitted to meet emergent cases such as breached Tanks by drawing on other Funds than those set apart for the repairs of the year. The Collectors were allowed to advance Funds for emergent works under the old system and I am of opinion the same power should vest in the District under Engineers under the new.—

Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet 15th Decbr 1857

/Signed/ C. J. Shubrick
Collector

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1074

Bd's No. 4632.

To The Surgeons of 1st & 4th Districts.

Mr. A. Ritchie
M. Sabapathy Moodelly

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Official Memorandum

Sir,

The bearer

a writer on the establishment of the Board of Revenue being incapacitated to perform his duties, the Acting Secretary to the Board requests that the Surgeon of the 1st and 4th District will be pleased to examine and grant him the usual Medical Certificate to enable him to get a superannuation Pension from Government.—

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
23d December 1857

/Signed/ J. D. Lin
Acting Secretary

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B.o No 4647
To the Collector
of Sea Customs

Official Memorandum

No 678

The Ship Trafulgar being hourly expected, the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request that the Collector of Sea Customs will, as soon as possible after her arrival, cause the printing Materials, consigned to the Board, to be landed and forwarded to the Office as it is desired to bring them into use, at the beginning of the year.

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
23d December 1857

(Signed) A. D. Scott
Acting Secretary

Statement

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B.o No 4648
To Govt
Inam Dept

Statement showing the State of the Harvest in the undermentioned Districts for the Month ending 4th November 1857.

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District and date	Rain fall	State of the crops & the cultivation of the ryots	Remarks whether high or low having fallen or stationary
Ganjam 30th dated 14th ult.	The rains in the latter fortnight of October were copious and general throughout the District.	Almost the whole of the Jonna and Variga crops which were ripening have been destroyed by the heavy rains.	Fever and small Pox are prevalent
4th November 1857	Rain fell on the 25th & 26th ult.	Crops which have escaped the storm are improving.	
Miscellany 2553	Rainfall (Cowle) 3.25 (Gumsur) 4.95 (Ponnoor) 6.40	The harvest of Saggah Broo Rayanim pottevey is over and that of Godda yamah is nearly so.	
		The cultivation under the channels is three quarters over; under Tanks the operations have been completed.	
		The breaking up of the heavy rains	

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in September and the North under report

Madura dated 4th instns 8th December 1857 Mf. 2558	The Gauge showed ½ inch in the Town of Madura and there was little or none in the remainder of the District	The outturn of the dry harvest which has commenced is rather poor. From want of rain the wet crops are not promising Cultivation is still going on as the season opened very late	High and rising	Cholera is partially prevalent
Nellore dated 4th December (cons) 7th November 1857 Mf. 2551	The fall in select parts of the District is shown as follows.	The earlier dry crops are thriving the later ones are being largely sown Wet Cultivation has been very limited The yield cultivation of crops already raised and extension of Cultivation depend on mere rain falling as the rain which fell in the early part of the month and which was noticed in the last report breached many Tanks which have consequently but little water left in them	Stationary in the subdivision and have risen at Nellore and in its neighbourhood The supply of grain to the Nellore market has been so limited towards the close of the month as to cause apprehensions of a failure in the Article to meet the wants of the inhabitants.	The gale has damaged most of the Tanks in the principal which has killed numerous cattle uprooted trees and injured & destroyed many houses Vegetation in some parts more so coast has been injured by the sea which submerged it The salt has spoiled some Cotton has been considerably damaged The wastage in Gungapatam is reported to be very large. The breached Tanks have been for the most part temporarily repaired and should there be more rain the present gloomy prospects of the District will materially improve.
	Inches.			
Addanki (North)	4 — 875			
Nellore (South)	3 — 875			
Cottah (near the Coast)	10 — 875			
Ramapoor (near the Hills) & Southwards	7 — 75			
Masulipatam dated 1st in Cons 7th Decbr 1857 Mf. 2550.	The rain on fall was as shown below	The harvest of the early dry paddy &c is going on, the wet paddy though injured in some places by excess of rain is doing well. Bengal grain Cotton, Lamp Oil Seeds and other latter dry Crops are thriving, the outturn of all produce will however be much below the average. —	Old white paddy, Marize, & Lamp oil Seeds have fallen and lightly, Horse grain has risen in proportion and other articles are Stationary	
Humber	6 — 8			
Bagoorah	5 — 6			
Ellore	4 — 0			
Iggahpatt	0 — 75			

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Tinnevelly dated 5th inst Con 9th Decbr 1857 M.f. 2567	Scanty and very partial in all the Talooks except Sreevelly-pootoor where the rain entirely failed - In a selected place the fall was as under:- Tuckendoor / Sea shore / 6.77 Sandhood / open plain / 4.66 Tenkassy / foot of the hills / 4.00	The Pahanum wet crops under river and Tank irrigation are throwing a want of sufficient water for the latter crops is however being felt at present in some localities while these under the Tanks in Sreevelly-pootoor and Shenkaramar covil are withering from a failure of the supply Punjah crops in their two Talooks are also in a precarious state. in the other Talooks they have benefitted by the rains Cotton and oil seeds have	Varagoo and green gram have fallen a trifle - the other articles have all risen Red gram is not quoted for last Month.	Cholera attended with some mortality prevailed in more than half the Talook. There was also loss of Cattle in the District except five Talooks.
		have been cultivated during the Month. —		
		Compared with the returns of 31st November last Fasly there is a falling off in the cultivation of 1353 Scottahs in the wet, 915 Scottahs in Garden and 21,127 Scottahs. in Dry lands. —		
Coimbatore dated 10th inst Con 15 December 1857. M.f. 2618	The rain Fall in selected places is shown below	The Dry crops as cholum Cumboo &c are in fair condition but require more rain to ripen them. The cholum partially cultivated	Prices of Grain falling gradually Trade prospers	Cholera is partially prevalent. —

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	Inches
Combatore	4 — 40
Pilladum	0 — 27
Dodabettah / Neelgherries	0 — 65
Annamullay	0 — 37
Colligal	0 — 40

cultivated in the early part of the season has been reaped. —

Raggy sown in Garden lands has been reaped in many places. The Cholum and Cumboo crops are in good order, and the wells have a sufficient supply of water. —

The wet crops under the rivers Cavary, Ambravutty, Bhwany and Noyel are thriving. The black paddy under the first named river and the annadainay paddy under the second and there have been reaped The Sendalay paddy under the Noyel is also being cut. —

Lands depending on Tanks have been cultivated but the present supply of water in some places is hardly enough to bring the crops to maturity. The Cotton on Dry lands is in good order but requires more rain Sugar Cane is also thriving

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Season Report.

District and Date	Rainfall	State of the Crops and the cultivation operations	Prices whether on the high or low rising, falling or Stationary. —	Further Remarks
North Arcot dated 8th in Cons: 9th December 1857 No. 2576.	Partial — as The greatest quantity as 15–169 Inches fell in the Sholinghur and the least 188 Inches in the Sautghur Taluk The Tanks have received from 15 days to 2 Months Supply of water.	Nub. raggy, Samay &c. on Dry land and Codasumbah on wet have been partially reaped. Varagoo, Raggy and Horse gram crops have failed in many places from want of seasonable rains during the Month. — Cholum, gungelly, Indigo Raggy &c. have been sown on Dry land and Sumbah paddy in some wet lands although the season for the latter cultivation has not been favorable.	Same as last Month	Cholera is partially prevalent, and Cattle have died to some extent in parts of the District from sickness
Canara dated 10th in Cons: 11th December 1857. — No. 2575	There has been some rain during the Month. —	The rain proved favorable to the 2d Crop & will have a beneficial effect on the 3d The first Crop has come to Market in the lower Talooks, and the harvest in the upper Talooks is progressing. —	The prices of Rice and Jaggery have declined; Cocoanut and Cocoanut Oil are still high. —	There have been 66 deaths during the Month in the Sedashigar Division of Ankola where cholera is prevalent. The rest of the District is free from this epidemic. —
Ganjam dated 1st in Cons 11th December 1857 No. 2577	None the weather proving favorable for harvest operations	The first Crop of paddy is being gathered in and the second will be cut immediately. — The Sugar Cane is thriving and the Gingelly	Paddy is Stationary, Gingelly seed has fallen and Raggy risen	The District is healthy and Murrain among cattle exists only in Mohurry

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Gingelly seed cultivation promises well.—

It is expected that Prices will rise as there is a great demand for rice and several large houses have newly come into the Market.—

Rajahmundry dated 2d instns 11th December 57 Mf 2579

None

The harvest of the Black paddy Crops is nearly over that of the principal wet Crops throughout the District will shortly begin & promises to be very good especially in the parts under the anicut Channels. The Dry Crops are flourishing & so is the Sugar cane

Paddy Rice & some dry grains have fallen somewhat and gingelly seeds slightly while lamp oil seeds have risen.—

Cholera and Small Pox are partially prevalent, and fever in the upper Talooks.

Malabar dated 5th instns 11th December 1857 Mf 2578-

The second crop has been planted and promises a fair outturn. The Oil seed Crops are yielding an abundant harvest. Garden produce is flourishing throughout the District as well as the Pepper, Coffee & ginger Crops.

Prices of grain are still falling. The chief articles of Export sell as under,—

Small Pox and Cholera prevail in the Southern Talooks.—

	Inches
Wynaad	4687
Plains Interior	8187
" Coast	8875

	Rs	as.	p
Gingelly seeds per Garce	414	1	10
Cocoanut per Mille	21	5	3
Betel nut per Candy	103	8	"
Pepper " "	98	11	8
Cotton "	132	"	"

Cardamoms per Candy	582	8	"
Cocoanut Oil	89	3	1
Coffee "	136	8	10
Hemp "	83	5	4
Green ginger "	15	14	8

Tanjore dated 8th December instns 11th Dec 1857 Mf 2590

A general fall about the middle of the month, the rivers

The Samba Peshamum and the Dry Crops are in good condition.

The price of Cadapoi car paddy

Cholera ... partially exists and

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No. 4075

To the Acting Secretary to Government

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Masulipatam	30th Augt 56	4th Novr	3494	
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Cuddapah	15th Septr 56	Con 24th Novr	3712	
Bellary	23rd Augt 56	Con 11th Septr	3357	
Kurnool	11th June 56	Con 14th Augt	2231	
Chingleput	3rd Do	Con 30th Septr	1989	
North Arcot	dates 3rd Jun Con	9th July	2505	
South Arcot	dates 3rd July 56	Con 3rd July 57	2013	
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tax. So long as those sources of Revenue
exist.

*E.M.C. No 243 R.D. dated 3rd March 1856 para 3. & Cov 23rd May

3. Government consented* to repeal the people of the payment but thought the rate proposed too high, and desired information as to the arrangements existing in other Districts in similar cases.

×Cir No 1509 dated 23rd May 1856.

4. From the replies received to the Board's call× and which are herewith submitted it will be seen that in 4 Districts, out of the eighteen (besides Chingleput) in which the tax is levied the Government are paid on the arrangements similar to those proposed for Conjeveram.

*Enclosed only South Arcot Guntoor and North Arcot

5. In Canara, Malabar, Coimbatore, Sangare Vizagapatam, Cuddapah no fees of this description are levied by Carnums from the payers of Motturpha and in the remaining eight Districts the fees are levied on no recognised principles or System and are not calculated at a uniform rate in all the Villages of any one District. The most common mode of calculating these fees

are by charging so much per loom or house or per Cutcha of Motturpha taxe. Instances also occur of fees being levied on occasions of Marriages &c. among particular classes, but no uniformity exist in the rates, and it is evident that in many cases the System has grown out of Custom, and has never been formally recognized by Government and that the demand has been generally acquiesced in by the Ryots more as a voluntary contribution on their part than as fees whose collection could be enforced.

Trichinopoly

In Trichinopoly Government 6. sanctioned a rate of 2 pice per loom in 18 Villages and 3 per loom in one Village of the Soondiar pollium Division as a remuneration to the Curnums employed in preparing the Motturpha accounts, it will be seen that the percentage upon the Motturpha demand for Fasly 1265 of the fees paid to Curnums, ranges from 2½ to 4 7/12. Their aggregate amounts varying from year to year with the fluctuations

fluctuations of the Beriz. In para 3 of the Extract from the Consultation under reply the Government called for information regarding the rate allowed in other Districts than Chingleput, in order to judge whether or not the percentage proposed for the latter District may be extended. I shall therefore be mentioned here that the latter percentage of Commission varies as above stated from 2½ to 4½ p.c. that the aggregate allowances drawn from the Moturpha Revenue by the Officers employed in the preparation of the accounts to Cummums and Monigars, that on the average the cadjy of Col.9 Col.3, ranges from 4½ to 8½. It does not appear whether any Talooks are included in this Statement to which this mode of remuneration is not extended in the District. Pages 3. and 4. of the Statement contain calculations with reference to the general Revenue and call for no remarks. The expense is borne by Government under a Resolution dated 9th July 1854 and to this arrangement the Board referred in

Mr Cr 27 July 54.

No. 427 dated 13th Feby 1856.

my para 8 of their former Proceedings. In the correspondence which passed on that occasion the percentage of the probable Maximum expense on the Moturpha Beriz does not appear but the total sum sanctioned by Government was Co.Rs. 1407. The rates of 2 and 3 per Cent are seeming to be adopted in other parts of the District also but the Collector states that the tax exists to a very limited extent.

South Arcot

7. The Cummums in South Arcot are paid according to a scale laid down in the Hookumnamah of the District provided by the Board in 1842. From the abstract at the end of the Collector's letter the Cummums appear to have received about 3⅜ p.c. on the Moturpha Beriz calculated on the average of 5 years, from Fasly 1200 to 1204.

Guntoor

8. In Guntoor a commission of 10½ was fixed by Mr Oakes in 1817/18, which is in operation in 124 Villages distributed over 5 Talooks. In the rest of the District Sezawal various rates and aggregate Beriz exist

12¼ p.c.

12½ % on the Beriz

North West 9. From the Statement accompanying the letter from North West and showing the ready money allowances paid to the Village Subordinates of the Cawnpore Zillah and Sanctioned by the Sanction of Government conveyed in Resolution No 142 dated 9th February 1850 No 142.

In Con 14th July 50

10 In the arrangement for Conjeveram now before Government the Board proposed 4 % on the gross collections (comprising the Revenue derived from Mohurfeka and certain trees) and the free enjoyment of the backyards in possession of the Curnums as a suitable remuneration. The Board calculate the total money allowances to be Rupees 590-9 for which the Curnums were to relinquish a demand on the people of Rupees 808—10—5.

11. The Collector of Chingleput has twice informed the Board that the demand on account of the trees has been diminished by 1/5th of the original

original amount by the recent substitution of a land tax for that charged upon trees; but this change, the Board have to observe, scarcely affects the rate proposed by them, as the demand of the Curnums was restricted to certain remaining trees and amounted to only Rupees 18-10-9 as shewn in the Statement enclosed in the Collector's letter dated 11th October 1855. The present question moreover is not whether the amount proposed will be sufficient and whether it is not too high.

Con 14th July 50

12. As shown in their former Proceedings the Curnums employed in the Town of Conjeveram receive no emoluments besides those now under consideration and the Board are of opinion that the rate of 4 % will not yield too large an income for the duties required from the recipients.

13 With reference to para 5 and 6 of the Extract Minutes Consultation (dated 3rd March 1856) quoted in the margin of para 3 of these Proceedings wherein

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wherein Government remarked that it would be desirable to grant Ryotwary Pattahs for Motturpha tax, puttahs of a more permanent character than attached to those usually given hitherto. The Board direct me to observe that they have requested the Collector to act upon the views of Government contained in those paras.-

4. From each of the replies as contain a notice of this point it will be seen that in Masulipatam, Coimbatore, and Malabar puttahs continue in force from year to year until a change in their terms renders alteration necessary. The Collectors of Vizagapatam, Bellary and Tanjore are opposed to the principle, but wherever it may be practicable the change will be introduced.

5. It is also to be remarked that the new Forms of Village accounts provide Motturpha puttahs, and will thus aid in introducing the practice in the Districts where puttahs have hitherto been granted.

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Fort St George
23rd December 1857

(Signed) L. Forbes
Actg Secretary

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Read Petition No. 2159 of 1857 from Amadowlah Bhader and Nagum Jung Bahadur furnishing the explanation called for by Government regarding their application for Waste lands.-

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Bd. No. 2407.

Proceedings thereon.

Submitting a further Petition from Amadowlah Bahadur and Nizam Jung Bahadur furnishing the explanation called for by Government regarding their application for waste land with the Board's opinion as to the terms upon which the land may be granted.

The Petitioners in their former Petition No. 2801 of 1857 applied for 1000 Cawnies of Waste land fit for Cultivation and an advance of Rupees 10,000 as Succary to meet the incidental outgoings of the undertaking. The land was to be granted in their joint names but they stated their intention of subrenting it to the poorer individuals of their own community.

The Board laid the project before Government as one that would secure if suitably conducted important advantages

Pro. To Government 15th August 1857 No. 2715
Govt 26th August " No. 868
In Cons. 15th September R. D.-

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advantages to the class whom it was intended to benefit. The Government in reply expressed their willingness to give assistance to any scheme which has bona fide in view the offer of employment to the persons in question but required information on certain points before they could pass orders on the applications which had been brought under their consideration. Government desired to know who the applicants were whether their experience was such as to give assurance that they could successfully carry out what they proposed to undertake the names of the persons who were willing to take up lands for cultivation their occupations hitherto and in what manner a due share of the advantages of the undertaking would be secured to each individual a guarantee that the advance applied for would be repaid and not misapplied

misapplied was also required.—

2. The present Petition Rr. 1159 of 1857 recorded above is intended to supply the information required by Government. In regard to the position occupied by Petitioners and their antecedents the explanation afforded is sufficient Mr. Balfour the Government agent at Chepauk was addressed on this point and copy of his reply will be furnished to Government with these Proceedings regarding the scheme itself Petitioners intended originally to take the responsibility & working of it into their own hands. On further consideration they wish to modify this part of the arrangement and propose that applicants for land shall receive their holdings

F. D. Balfour 3d October in Govt. 20th November 1857.

Vagaraw

holdings directly from and be responsible themselves to Government the interference of Petitioners being confined to advice & practical suggestions when necessary and in some cases to giving pecuniary afsistance Holder of land under the proposed arrangement will thus occupy an independant posi- tion from the Commencement and the full advantages of the scheme if successful will accrue to themselves alone.

3. The project as put forth at first was limited to 1000 Acres as Petitioners could not be certain of its successful working to the fullest extent nor could they feel confident that an undertaking on a larger scale would receive encouragement from Government. In its modified form as now brought under consideration the above extent of land is found to be altogether insufficient. No less than 200 Petitioners have

have declared their desire to take up land and it seems that if opportunity were offered the number might be al- most indefinitely augmented. Two hundred persons have been selected out of the 600 Applicants who have come forward and their names present occupation and reasons for wishing to hold land are shewn in two separate lists Nos. 1 and 2 submitted with the Petition under notice. Each list con- tains 100 names and it is not apparent why the whole 200 should not have been included in one list except that the persons enumerated in No. 1 are for the most part those who had come forward when application was first made. The lists explain what the condition in life is of the several Applicants such as Pen- sioners expectants of Pensions in service at the present time or discharged Servants

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servants of the late Nabob. A few are engaged in petty trade and some already hold land. several are independant on relatives for subsistence and are desirous of improving their condition and of adding something to their present inadequate means of support. Individuals who are living on their relations of whom there are many wish to establish an independent

D. 4.— occupation for themselves. It is stated that all are very desirous of exerting themselves in the manner proposed & Petitioners ask that they may be permitted to submit additional names in future not only out to those persons 600 in number as before stated who have already come forward but of others also. They would not wish to have the number of persons viz. 200 first proposed as a beginning

B3 last Name reduced.—

Each

4. Each person is to have 10 Cawnies of land a larger extent might Petitioners think be given with advantage to many of the parties enumerated but their holdings may be added to hereafter as they observe as experience is gained. For the 200 applicants at the rate of 10 Cawnies to each 2000 Cawnies of land will be required.—

5. To bring this extent of land into

D. 5- cultivation 300 Ploughs are estimated as necessary and allowing three Bullocks to each plough the total number of Bullocks required will be 900. For this and other incidental charges which are necessary at first it is estimated that a sum of Rupees 10,500 will be required as Tuccavy. Each applicant is to receive his share of this

D. 2. allowance separately such as have Pensions or similiar allowances in land or money are to impledge the same as security to Government for

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for repayment of the advance and such as do not posses these resources are to be required to produce those persons who have them to stand as their sureties. In this way a guarantee will be held by Government that the sums advanced shall be repaid. It is proposed that the full amount of Tuccavy shall be disbursed at once to be repaid after the 5th. year of occupation at the rate of about 10 per cent per annum.

P. C. 6. The terms on which the lands are applied for were mentioned on the former occasions Vizt. 10 years free of rent and the assessment to be gradually imposed during the five following years. The Board thought that 10 years of complete exemption from assessment was unnecessary. From 3 to 5 years according to circumstances they observed would probably a sufficient a longer period of exemption being

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being allowed for land coming under the denomination of immemorial waste for the reclamation of which labar and time will be necessary.

7. Regarding the extent of land to be given to each applicant they would observe that the proposition of Petitioners that each should receive 10 Cawnies to begin with must be viewed simply as an estimate. The extent to be occupied by each must be regulated by circumstances such as the quantity of land available the localities that may be selected and its position and suitable to form separate holdings some may receive more than 10 Cawnies and some less but these details as well as others mentioned in the concluding paras of the Petition will for the consideration of the local authorities when the applicants are put in possession of the land

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land that may be allotted to them as far as practicable each holding should not be less than 10 Cawnies.

8. Advances on account of Tuccavy should the Board think be fully prepaid before the termination of the period of Cowl the instalments commencing at such period as the Collector may fix with reference to returns.—

9. In submitting the further information called for by Government the Board would reiterate the opinion before expressed as to the importance of the project in its bearing on the classes whom it is intented to benefit.——

Received the undermentioned Miscellaneous letters and Statements.

1079 M. R. No. 2093. From the Collector of North Arcot. Return of Persons charged under Regulation IX of 1822 for November 1857.—

1080 M. R. No. 2094. From the Collector of Coimbatore. Return of Persons

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Persons charged und Regulation IX of 1822 for November 1857.—

1081 M. R. No. 2096. From the Collector of Coimbatore. Return of Persons charged of Village Officers &c. under Regulation VI of 1831 for November 1857.—

1082 M. R. No. 2097. From the Collector of Coimbatore. Return of Persons in conpiement under Regulation IX of 1822 for November 1857.—

1083 M. R. No. 2091. From the Collector of Guntoor. Average Bazar Prices of Grain for November 1857.—

1084 M. R. No. 2092. From the Collector of Nellore. No Imports or Exports of Bullion for November 1857.—

1085 M. R. No. 2095. From the Collector of Coimbatore. Reports the absence of a Return for November 1857.—

From—

Cayabraw

21700 Fort St. George 23d. December 1857.

1086
M. R. No. 2088.
From the Collector of Nellore. Salt exportation for Calcutta on the 30th November 1857.—

1087
M. R. No. 2090.
From the Collector of Rajahmundry } Salt exportation for Calcutta on the 15th December 1857.—

1088
M. R. No. 2089.
From the Collector of South Arcot. Salt exportation for Calcutta on the 15th December 1857.—

1089
M. R. No. 2098
From the Collectors of Coimbatore. Register of Petitions for the Month of November 1857.—

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21701 Fort St. George 24th December 1857.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Thursday the 24th December 1857.

Read again Extract Minutes Consultations dated 8th August and Entered in Cons. 5th October 1857.

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

1090
B. R. No. 5079.
From the Collector & ex officio agent to the Court of Wards
Regarding minor proprietors.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Extract from the Proceedings of the Court of Wards under date the 5th October last.

2. The only minors who have hitherto been under my charge are the two surviving sons of the late Zemindar of the large Estate of Pittapoor. The eldest Sree Rajah Rao Yungadra Ramarao has for some time been residing at Cocanada and attending the English school at that place. His health has been for some time so indifferent as to interfere greatly with his studies and he has consequently not made the progress that could be wished. The younger Sree

Rajahrao

Rajah Rao Venkata Row has been hitherto under the charge of his Grand mother and his Aunt at Pittapoor. It is time however that he was removed from under the charge of these ladies and sent to live and be educated with his brother.

3. In my letter to the late Commissioner of date the 15th December 1854, I stated that I thought it very desirable that the minor should be removed beyond local influences and I think it is to be regretted that the plan, which then appeared to be in contemplation, was not carried out; and ward sent to the Presidency. I it very advisable that both the

should now be so sent. The measure would not perhaps be acceptable to the youths themselves just at first but I believe they would soon become reconciled to the change, and the advantage they would derive from it can hardly I think be over rated. Their relations, most of them being those from whose influence it is desirable for the present to remove the youths, are of course not likely to approve of the arrangement. I doubt much if the people at large would give a thought to the matter one way or the other.

4. It was suggested at one time that the elder minor should be sent either to Mr. Hay's school at Vizagapatam, or Mr. Noble's at Masulipatam, but though imparting a very good education, the fact of their both being Mission schools appeared to me an objection to this arrangement.

J.F.

4. If obstacles still exist to the youths proceeding to Madras I think I would be authorized to arrange for their residence in Rajahmundry so as to enable them to attend the Rominad school at that place. The climate of Cocanada clearly does not suit the eldest and that of Rajahmundry may be more congenial to him. The relations wish that he should reside at Pittapoor and have a Tutor, who could then teach his brother as well as himself, but I do not recommend this plan for adoption.—

6. A sum of 50,000 Rupees being part of the surplus funds of the Estate in question was invested ~~in the~~ 5 per cent Loan ago months ago. I propose remitting to you a further sum of 50,000 Rupees for investment in the most advantageous manner—

Rajahmundry District Collectors Office, Peddapoor 16th December 1857

Signed A Parish Collr

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Board's Lr to Govt
To the Agency
Govt Revenue Depart in Consn dated 5/57

Para 1. In Extracts Minutes Consultation dated 8th August 1857 No 795 the Court of Wards were desired to report on the working of Act XXI of 1855 and to arrange for the establishment of an Institution at Madras for the education of such Minors, Wards of Government as it might be considered desirable to bring up at the Presidency.

2 The Court are not yet in a position to meet the Govts requisition and the present communication is therefore limited to the proposal to establish a residence—

3 The Court have a large amount of funds in their Custody belonging to different Minors but owing to the present depreciation of the Public Securities some loss would be incurred in converting them into money The largest funds belong to the Estates of Durla Kimedy and Shevagunga The former is under management in consequence of the Proprietors mental incapacity the latter on account

account of minority but the Jemmadar will soon at-
tain his majority and this renders it undesirable
that any portions of his surplus should be
devoted to the purpose which Government have
in view. The Pensa Kennedy funds might be
thus applied but the Court would prefer taking
the required sum from the surplus of the Petta-
pore Jemindary in Rajahmundry the accu-
mulation of which though smaller than those
of the two estates above mentioned are still large
It will be seen from the accom-
panying letter from the Collector of Rajahmundry
that it is absolutely necessary to make arrange-
ments for the education of the two minors of
Pittapore and that it is desirable they should
be sent to Madras for that purpose. As
the minors would thus themselves mainly
profit by the arrangement which Govern-
ment have in view the requisite funds might
more appropriately be drawn from their Es-
plus. The elder of the two boys is about 12
years of age so that he will be under the Court's

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charge for 6 years more

5 The Court will now proceed to give
their opinion as required on the proposal itself. They
consider that too much importance cannot be
attached to the moral and intellectual educa-
tion of minor Jemmadars and that Government
are peculiarly bound to care for their early train-
ing in as much as they have formally assumed
wardship over them. The proposed arrangement
of an Institution or Residence with Tutors &c
seems to the Court suited only for heirs to such
large Estates as Kennedy, Ramnad, Shevagunga
and Pittapore but the Court apprehend that it
would be inadvisable to place the Minor owners
of petty properties in such an Institution. For
these last a good sound education can be
obtained at the Government Provincial Schools
whilst to congregate them in the proposed Insti-
tution would give them an erroneous idea
of their future position.

6 In all cases the Court would ad-
vocate the strictest practicable than Government

seems

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seems to contemplate and Education in the High
School in preference to private tuition or attendance
at Lectures. The Court attach great importance
to the influence which competition and asso-
ciation with other boys in the classes of a large
Public School will undoubtedly exercise in
stimulating the minors exertion and in
removing the overstrong estimate of their own
importance which youths so circumstanced
are apt to form. The Court also doubt how far
they should be justified in investing the funds
of the Minor under their charge in the purchase
of a house in which he would be only partly
interested and would probably only benefit by
for very years at work. They are indeed told
here that Section XVI Regulation V of 1802 does
not have such a purchase as this in contem-
plation and a Minor on obtaining his majority
might urge that every object might have been
obtained by renting a suitable house for him.
respects the plan proposed by Government seems
well adapted to the purpose in view

7 The accompanying list shows the
Minors now under the Court's charge their ages

8 & 9 See letter to Govt
8 Feby 1855 No 310

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8 The Court observe from Advertisements in
the local papers that a number of houses belonging to the
late Nawab will shortly be sold and some of these sup-
posing the proposed investment to be for one objection
would perhaps be preferred by Government to Mr Arch-
bishop's house which except as a Residence
for Minors is not likely, they fear to make
a remunerative return for the outlay.

9 The Court have instructed the
Collector of Rajahmundry to make arrangements
for the temporary residence and education of
the Pittapore Minor at Rajahmundry. His health
renders a change necessary and his residence at
Rajahmundry may serve to reconcile his friends
to his removal to Madras which the Court
would advocate under any circumstances
as soon as the necessary arrangements can
be made

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
4th December 1857.

(Signed) J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

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B. No. 4684.

Further Proceedings thereon. The Court concur with the Collector that it will be advisable to make arrangements for the Education of the Minor Proprietors of Pittapore at Madras and they are in communication with Government on the subject.—

2. Meanwhile the health of the eldest youth renders a change necessary and the Court request the Collector to arrange for his temporary residence and education at Rajahmundry, a measure which will serve to reconcile his family to his removal to Madras which the Court contemplate at an early period.—

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Sir,

I am directed by the Court of Wards to transmit herewith for the information of the Board of Revenue a Statement of the Estates under the management of the Court of Wards on the 1st instant.

I have &c.

(Signed) J. Dalrymple
Actg. Secretary

Districts	Estates	Gross Jumma of Estates 1854	Total Collections	Amount paid to Estates by the Court of Wards
1	2	3	4	5
Ganjam	1 Parla Kimedy		185706	90089
	2 Jaipur		8304	"
	3 Carvan or Ichapore		54348	10000
Vizagapatam	4 Kimedy		6770	"
	5 Pittapore		382818	51250
Rajahmundry	6 Cokkolam		71652	15535
	7 Gunnavaram		140830	48382
	8 Cauleroonah		6784	2000
Masulipatam	9 Sherigumpah		375169	30612
	10 Polly cum Cary		36785	5000
Madura	11 Tyaroor		164922	31925
	12 Sholinghur		11096	24000
Chingleput	13 Mannargoodi		32533	33000
	14 Conjeveram		18656	5000
Trichinopoly	15 Perambalore			

(Signed) J. Dalrymple
Actg. Secretary

All statements relative to Estates under the Court of Wards should be addressed to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue

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3. The Collector will remit the 50,000 Rupees referred to in para 6 of his letter by an accountant General's Bill as soon as possible.

Read the following Papers.

(1093)

B. No. 4966

From the Acting Secretary to Government } Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Depart-ment under date the 12th December 1857.

Forwarding to the Board for any remarks they may wish to make a letter from the Government Pleader together with the Draft Act prepared by the Board to amend Act XXIII of 1856. } (See No. 1293 in separate Volume)

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Proceedings

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B. No. 4702

Proceedings thereon. (1093-94)

With reference to Mr. Dale's preliminary remarks the Board observe that in their Draft act they purposely avoided deviating from the existing law except when such a course seemed absolutely necessary. Their object was to obviate the delays and discussion which might ensue in the Legislative council if a complete alteration of the law was proposed. The mere vesting a Collector with the power at his option of selling either the personal or the real property of a defaulter or both appeared to the Board unlikely to meet with opposition, because it is obviously just that Government should have this remedy against all the property of its debtor and also because Government actually already possessed it, though under such condition as often rendered the possession of it useless.

2. There are however considerations

of

of policy which render it advisable to
resort to process against the land for the
recovery of arrears due on large Estates
and the Board thought that the Draft
act would meet with opposition if in
departure from the Bengal practice it
proposed to sanction the immediate dis
-traint and sale of personal property
for all arrears Zemindary as well as Ryot
-wary - This too would cut away the
ground on which the act is prop
that arrears on petty Ryotwary holdings
cannot be recovered convenientby in
all cases by the sale of land as in
the case of a large Zemindary

3 The wish of laying before
the Legislative Council an act which
in consideration of its involving so
little deviation from the present law
they might be selected to pass
without delay also led the Boa
to retain many existing provisions
and especially such as afforded the

the Ryot protection against wrongful
proceedings) which if they had been
remodelling the law entirely they might
have modified or wholly abolished.
These changes however seemed to them to be
unnecessary under present circum-
-stances particularly as such a revision
of the entire Code was in contemplation
at no distant date.

4 The Board will now pro
-ceed to notice Mr Dale's Remarks & deviations

Letter Para 2. 5 Mr Dale considers Section VIII
(Cl. 6) XIX (Cl. 3) XXI and XXVI Regulation
XXVIII of 1802 objectionable in so far
as they involve forfeiture of the arrear
in event of their breach. The Board
have now omitted the portions objected
to and if Government think fit another
penalty can be submitted. The Legis
-lative Council may however demur to
absolving the subordinates of a Collector
from consequences which attach to
private Proprietors and which for
years have attached to Government
servants also

Sections

Para 3

6 Sections X. XI, XXX and XXXI of the same Regulation are deemed inapplicable. The Board see no difficulty in regard to Section X for however small the Estate may be, the property found on it may remain there till sold. The matter is one of little importance and the Section is omitted.

Para 5

7 In regard to Section XI No. Date would give the Collector the option of selling the Crops standing. So this the Board see no objection and have modified their draft accordingly

Para 7

8 The difficulties noticed in this para were intended to be obviated by Section XIV of the Draft act which Enacted that Regulation V of 1822 (in accordance with its preamble) should not apply to Government Sales.

Para 8

9 The Sections referred to affect only personal property. Government can and do purchase and the Board think the sufficient. It is undesirable that they should

think that the Collector should compete at Sales of personal goods and as Government can sell the entire property real and personal ~~~

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Government might justly claim this prin-
but the Board think the powers of sale
and imprisonment conferred by the
Draft act sufficient for present
purposes. The question raised by Mr.
Dale will be properly considered
during the preparation of the new Revenue Act

12 The Board do not approve of the
alteration made in section III of the Draft
act as given in the margin. On further con-
sideration they would propose re enacting
as parts of this act the sections retained
from Regulation XXVIII of 1802. This would
make the act lengthy in appearance but
would obviate all future doubts
and difficulties. The Board have omitted
the words "and damages" in section XII but
they would point out that damages
are not payable when the demand
wholly or in part is justly in due and
the Officers of Government cannot reason-
ably claim greater protection.

13 The Draft has been receipted and is now re-
submitted with marginal remarks explanatory of
the alterations.

14 The Board must regret that they
have been unable to submit their reply sooner but the
question is one of considerable difficulty

"As altered or modified by subsequent legislation and so far as the same may be applicable"

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An Act to amend Act 23 of 1850.

Whereas doubts still exist regarding
the process to be taken against defaulters
in payment of the public Revenue & whereas
difficulties occur under the Provisions of
Regulations XXVII and XXVIII of 1802 in
recovering arrears of such Revenue it
is hereby enacted as follows.—

II Whenever Rent or Revenue may
be withheld beyond the day on which they
fall due according to the Kistbundy or other
engagement [whether written or verbal] or
in cases where no particular day is fixed
then beyond the time when such rent or
revenue became payable agreeably to local
usage the Collector shall have authority
to proceed for the recovery of such arrears
by the destraint or seizure and the sale
of the personal or real property of the
defaulter wherever found.—

New Section III In the distraint or seizure
and sale of personal property for arrears
of rent or Revenue the following rules
shall be observed.—

Section

† The Board would propose here inserting due on lands not permanently settled or retaining the original wording of the Sect.—

× The Board would omit the words enclosed between brackets.

1. Section VIII Regulation XXVIII of 1802 Cl. 1.
2. Do. Cl. 2
3. Do. Cl. 3.

IV Where defaulters on receiving notice may neglect to pay the amount due or to give satisfactory security for early payment or where defaulters may have absconded or may be otherwise not forthcoming, so that the notice cannot be served upon them, the attaching officer shall in either case transmit an inventory of the property attached to the nearest public officer empowered to sell distrained property, in order that it may be publicly sold for the discharge of the arrear due.—

Note. Cl. 5 is omitted as unnecessary and Cl. 6 in consequence of Mr. Dale's objection

V Section IX as it stands but stopping at the words "for the" release the property:—

See. X omitted in consequence of Mr. Dale's objection.—

See. XI. modified to give the Distrainer power to sell the crops standing.—

VI Distrainers attaching the crops or ungathered produce of the lands belonging to defaulters may cause them to be sold in

due course without reaping or gathering them or at their option may cause them to be reaped or gathered in due season and stored in proper places until sold The expense of reaping &c. &c. as in the original Section.—

Sect. XIII modified so as to point out more clearly the person by whom the loss shall be made good

VII Section XII.—

VIII Where property destrained may be stolen or lost or damaged while in the keeping of the destrainer by reason of the necessary precautions for its due preservations not having been taken, the loss or damage shall be made good by the officer whose neglect occasioned the loss or damage.—

Sect. XIV the rest omitted.—

IX The distress levied shall not be excessive, that is to say the property destrained shall be as nearly as possible proportionate to the Amount of the arrear.

Sect. XV in part.

X Attachments shall be made after sunrise and before sunset and not otherwise.—

XI Section XVI.—

where

Latter part of sect. XVII the first part being unnecessary is omitted.—

XII Where persons not being defaulters

do. (as far as I may have grown.—

XIII Section XVIII the words "Jillah Court" being substituted for "Court of Adawlut"—

XIV Section XIX Cl. 1.

XV Section XIX Cl. 2 the words "Danger" being omitted.—

Sect. X omitted as unnecessary Sect. XXI modified.

XVI Section XIX Cl. 3, as far as "for six months"

The 3rd proviso giving the defaulter as well as the distrainer a little more time I have simplified the process.—

XVII At the expiration of the 10 and before the expiration of the 30 days following the day on which the attachment was made the public officer empowered to sell distrained property shall cause to be affixed to the outer door of the defaulters house a list of the property to be sold with a notice specifying the place where and the day and hour at which the destrained property shall be sold, and shall cause proclamation of the intended sale to be made by beat of drum in the village to which the lands belong

XVIII At the appointed time the property shall be put up in one more lots as the distrainer may consider advisable I shall

disposed of to the highest bidder. Where the property may sell for more than the amount of the arrear, the over plus after deducting expenses of process and interest shall be paid to the defaulter.

XIX Section XXII

Omit "to be paid at the time of sale" substitute "distrainer" for "Canjy or Commissioner" and close the defaulting purchaser shall make good to the distrainer any loss arising as well as the expenses incurred on the resale. If any profit accrue on the resale it shall be accounted for to the owner of the property distrained.—

Sect. XXIII to XXIII omitted.—

XX When defaulters shall not have any personal property on which the Collector can distrain or where he may elect not to distrain on any personal property or when the personal property of such defaulter shall be first distrained and sold, if the arrear due with interest and all expenses of distraint and sale be not liquidated by the proceeds of such sale the Collector shall have authority to proceed against the real property of the defaulter for the amount due with interest and all

all expenses attending such further sale

XXI When the landed or other real property of a defaulter is first attached and sold, if the arrear due with interest expenses of attachment and sale, management and all other just charges be not liquidated by the sale the Collector may of his own authority distrain and sell the personal property of the defaulter for the recovery of such balance with interest, and all expenses of distraint and sale.—

XXII Immediately on the occurrence of an arrear or at any subsequent period the Collector shall have authority to attach at his discretion the whole or such portion of a defaulters landed property as he may deem sufficient to answer the amount in arrear but the previous sanction of the Board of Revenue shall be necessary for the sale of landed and other real property.—

XXIII The provisions of Sections XII. XIII. XV. XVI. XVII. XVIII. Regulation XXIX of 1802 shall be applicable to sales of landed property under this

Act, but a Persian translation of the sale advertisement shall not be necessary.—

XXIV Where arrears of rent or revenue with interest and other charges as aforesaid may not be liquidated by the sale of the personal and real property of the defaulter the Collector shall have authority to cause the arrest of the defaulter in the manner following.—

XXV The Collector shall cause a motion to be made to the Civil Judge of the Zillah within which the arrear of Revenue is due praying that the defaulter may be arrested unless the amount due by him as set forth in the said motion be paid within a time to be specified by such Judge.—

XXVI. The Judge shall thereupon issue an order for the arrest of such party and for his production before the Court within such time after his arrest as in such order shall be specified unless such party pay the arrear demanded with all expenses of process within 48 hours after the said order

shall

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shall be served upon him, provided that with the consent of the Collector a longer period may be allowed for such payment In the event of the arrear not being paid as above provided, the officer charged with the execution of the order shall convey the defaulter to the Court without unnecessary unreasonable delay.

XXVII On the arrival of the defaulter at the Court, the Judge shall call upon him to answer the demand where the demand or any portion of it may be denied, the Judge shall enter into a summary inquiry into the merits of the case.—

XXVIII Where after such enquiry it shall appear that the arrear demanded is not justly due the Judge shall discharge the defendant with full costs but where it may appear that the demand wholly or in part is justly due the Judge shall direct the defendant to be kept in custody until the amount shewn to be due, and interest thereon at one percent per mensem with costs of suit may be discharged or until

† The words "and damages" are here omitted in consequence of the Date's objections—

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the Collector make application to the Court for the release of the defendant The Collector shall pay the defendant whilst in confinement the same allowance for subsistence as is fixed for other prisoners in the Jail wherein he may be confined.—

XXIX Interest at one per Cent per mensem shall be charged on all arrears of Rent or Revenue under this act from and after 30 days after the arrear has accrued

XXX [Regulation V of 1822 shall not be applicable to sales of property under this act.]

The reenactment of the portions of Reg XXVIII of 1802 which are to be retained renders this section unnecessary

XXXI This act shall not apply to Zemindars, Mootahdars, or others holding lands on permanent tenures or to their Subtenants.—

XXXII Arrears of Revenue due to Government other than Land Revenue and hitherto recoverable under Regulation I of 1825 and 5 of 1832 as well as sums liable under Section VI and X Regulation IX of 1822 and Acts XII and XX of 1850 shall hereafter be recoverable solely under the provisions

of

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of this Act.—

XXXIII Regulations XXVIII of 1802 and Act XXII of 1850 shall be in operation as respects arrears of Revenue due to Government on lands not permanently settled.—

Inserted for consideration of Government Pleader.—

B. R. No. 5184 — From the Chief Sec.t to Govt.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Financial Railway Department under date the 15th December 1857.—

Sanctioning payments made by the Collector of on account of Compensation for lands taken up by the Railway amounting to Rupees 189-2-2 and authorizing likewise land of the value of Rupees 3-0-11 being granted to the Maniemdars whose lands have been similarly taken up.—

See No. 398 in Separate Vol.

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B. R. No. 4687

Order thereon.— Ordered to be Communicated to the Collector.—

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B. R. No. 5171.

From the Secretary to Government — Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 22d December 1857.

Reviewing the Report of the Sub-Collector upon the Revision of the Assessment in the Southern Taluk of that District.— — —

See No. 1334 in Separate Volume.

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B. R. No. 4054.

Order thereon. Ordered to be communicated to the Collector of North Arcot.—

B. R. No. 5163.

From the Acting Secretary to Government — Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Revenue Department under date the 22d December 1857.—

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Declining for reasons stated to grant authority for the defence of the suit instituted against the Acting Collector of Masulipatam by two ryots of Gollapollium in the Goodoor Estate for the recovery of 3 fields of dry land.—

See No. 1338 in Separate Volume.

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B. R. No. 4007.

Order thereon.— Ordered to be Communicated to the Acting Collector.— — —

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No. 197.

To

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

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Bd. No. 3820.

From the Collector of North Arcot.

Sir,

With reference to the Board's Circular dated 1st May 1820 authorizing the payment of Batta to the Servants of the Collectors Cutcheries when on Circuit, I have the honor to request instructions as to whether the servants employed under the Acting Additional Sub Collector are entitled to Batta when on Circuit.

North arcot Collr Cutchy
Chittoor 23d Septr 1857.

Signed / C Whittingham
Collector

True Copy /
Signed / C Whittingham
Collector

Bd. No. 4,672.

Proceedings thereon.

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The Board are of opinion that Servants on the Additional Sub Collr Establishment are entitled to Batta on Circuit in the same manner as other district Officers.

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No. 112

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

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B. No. 3180.

From the Actg Collr of Guntoor.

Sir

The Board of Revenue in their Proceedings of 14th May last request my attention to paras 11 and 12 of the Extract Minutes Consultation under date 2nd idem suggesting that a similar measure of relief to that sanctioned for the Mungalagherry Talook in the above order should be extended to the Puttipaud Talook.

2. In reply I have the honor to state that the high standard rate of assessment in the Puttipaud as entered in the accounts had attracted my attention and from further enquiry I now conclude that the excessive rate compared with other Taluks is in a great measure nominal. The evils which existed in Mungalagherry in the retrogression of the assessment and the impoverishment of the ryots do not prevail in Puttipaud, while the fact of the larger part of the land of the whole Talak being occupied

on

	Dry acres
Ayacut area in revenue accounts	83338
Of which occupied	66272
Waste	17066
Collection including arrears	
1262	138573
1263	139859
1264	126525
1265	150869
1266	161234

N.B. In Fasly 1264 there were extraordinary remissions for failure of the Crops.

on full assessment and the progressive advance-
ment of the revenue in the last few years
are indications of prosperity.

3. In a great many Villages of
Pruttepaud, the Badicoochel was formerly
employed, which is much more vaguely
defined than the ordinary Coochel, and is
to commutation into acres according to a
fixed scale, there is little doubt that
in the Majority of cases the commuted
number of acres is much below the cor-
rect area, so that the rate of assessment
stands nominally higher than the actual
rate if it were to be ascertained by
measurement. I may give as an instance
the Village of Paupurroo in the adjacent
Taluk of Ponnur similarly circumstanced
to the Pruttepaud Villages. The average
rate of assessment on this was as much
as 2 – 4 – 4 per acre according to the
accounts. Four fifths of the Village
are occupied. A survey of this Village
has produced an increase in the area
of nearly 1/3 on the whole area, so that
the assessment is actually about 2
an Acres instead of the nominal
of 2 – 4 – 4

Ayacut acres
By Revt accounts 829.
By Survey 1084
Increase 255
or about 31 per Cent

4. That the comparative
rate of assessment prevailing

Pruttipaud is in a great measure only
nominal, may also be concluded from the
following prima facie view of the case The total
area of this Taluk according to the Revenue accounts
is about 176 square Miles, while the area
traced from the large District Map is
about 228 square Miles. the excess of the
latter being about 30 per Cent a similar
comparison of the several other
Talooks in the Delta shows
that the actual area taken
from the Map is from 10 to 19
per Cent, or on an average
about 14 per Cent in excess of that given
in the revenue Accounts. The comparison
in these Taluks is not affected by the
large tracts of hills and Jungles vaguely
stated in the Revenue accounts in the
Western Talooks. The conclusion therefore
is that the excess in Pruttipaud is about
16 per Cent more than is general elsewhere
and that in a comparison of
the rates of assessment this
per Centage should be deducted.
This would reduce the average
of Pruttepaud to R a P 1–15–10 per
Acre which brings it more
on an equality with other
Talooks.

	Area in revenue accounts	In Map	Per centage increase
Mungalagherry	222	244	10
Tenully	163	194	19
Repully	221	259	17
Bunpella	289	320	11
Ponnur	194	222	14

	Average dry rate per acre
Mungalagherry	2 1 5
Guntoor	1 10 9
Tenally	1 11 2
Ponner	1 13 2
Repully	1 11 3
Baupatla	1 15 1
Murtur	1 13 6
Average	1 13 2
Pruttepaud	26"
Do after deducting 16 per Cent.	

The

5. The Soil in Puttipaud upon the whole is not surpassed in fertility by that in any other parts of the District, and most extensive fields of garden produce are raised on land assessed at dry rates. In short there are only a few exceptional cases in which garden-assessment is charged in this Taluk and these are proposed in my report on the garden assessment of the District generally to be done away with. This circumstance deserves consideration in comparing the assessment with that in other Taluks where a large revenue is realised on garden lands assessed at higher rates than the dry taruns.

dated 30 June 1857 No 98.

6. From what has been said I think it must be concluded that the case in the Puttipaud Taluk is widely different from that of Mungalagherry and that a similar measure of relief is not called for, as the rates of assessment although nominally higher than elsewhere are not practically so. I would however be misunderstood to assert that the assessment in this Taluk generally does not press heavier than that elsewhere, and that there may be instances here and there in which as well as in other places where such

Vide para 10 below

necessary. These cases are not numerous and will not escape the attention they deserve.

7. It will also be seen from what has now been brought to notice that great caution must be used in taking the Revenue Accounts as accurate statistical information. No regular revenue Survey was ever made of the Guntoor Circar, such as was the case in the Ceded District, and elsewhere. The former land measure of the District was the Coochel, which although often defined in the accounts as consisting of a certain number of Coontas made up of a chain of so many Cubits was in reality very vague in practice, the Cubit being very indefinite in itself and the mode of measurement & deducing the area being also very irregular and erroneous. The measurements of many of the Villages date many years back. When the commutation of all accounts of land to the standard of the Acre was ordered, it is not surprizing that in fixing a general scale of commutation, the result would only roughly approximate to the truth since a definite standard

was

was substituted for one, which in practice admitted of much variation. The irregularities arising from this source thus appear more prominent in the acre accounts than in the former Cowchels.

8. Notwithstanding this the present ryotwar settlement is found to work pretty well on the whole, and to be a very manageable medium for collecting the revenue. And altho' accuracy is not to be found in the statistical returns, it has this feature that each field is defined and bears a fixed assessment which has been in many cases relatively determined by the Ryots themselves or in other cases come down from the former Zemindary twice modified by deductions to reduce it to accessible standard.

9. Another deduction to be drawn from what is stated in para 3 above is that the assessment per acre in Guntoor is generally nominally higher than is actually the case; the difference being as above stated about 4 per Cent.

10. I may take this opportunity of forwarding a Statement of the Villages in which I have considered it necessary to reduce the tarum rates. The annexed shows the extent to which additional land

land has been taken up in consequence. The tarum rates on the cultivation were reduced in these Villages in the aggregate sum of Rupees 4,746, while there is an increase arising from extended cultivation in the same amounting to as much as Rupees 7,238. A part of this perhaps may be considered as belonging to the progressive increase found generally in the District in the past fusly.

11. I may briefly notice, in conclusion, the relief that has already been afforded to the District and that which has been proposed in measures recently submitted to the Board. as these affect the general question of the bearing of the assessment of the District upon the cultivating classes. The revision of the assessment in Mungalagherry promises very beneficial results. The collections being this year in advance of those of the previous one, notwithstanding the large reduction of assessment

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Increase 2098

(and

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and remissions also to the extent of about Rupees 3735 which was had to be made for land which could not be sown.

12. The abolition of the high garden rates in the coast Villages and the substitution of the dry rates have also fully answered expectation. Instead of a deficiency there is an increase of Rupees 7574 in the revenue, but a part of this is attributable to extended Indigo cultivation.

Taluks	
Bapatla	
Ponnur	
Repally	
1266	48506
1266	56080
Increase	7574

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There is much land held that is not cultivated, but this results from the condition prescribed at the time by the late Commissioner in the form of a guarantee to make up the existing revenue. The ryots have however much more land in their possession for the same amount of assessment, and every extension of cultivation is clear gain to them.—

13. The result of the remission of the Poollary tax and other items, as far as carried out, will come under notice in the Jamabandy Report. The relief to the agricultural interests is considerable and the policy of encouraging the ryots to keep up a large stock of cattle by the removal of the pasture tax cannot be questioned as the extension of cultivation generally follows in proportion to the increased stock of cattle.—

14. The revision of the garden assessment in the parts of the District, where such was considered as necessary, has also been proposed in my report dated 30th June 1857, No. 98.—

15. The revision of the excessive rates on wet cultivation, existing more particularly in the western Taluks, forms the subject of another report dated 31st Ultimo.—

16. With the relief afforded or proposed in the measures above noticed, much will be effected towards placing the assessment of this District upon a moderate basis as regards its general bearing

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tho there may be particular cases in which further modification may be desirable As it is, the Collections of land revenue of the fusly just expired, notwithstanding the large remissions of Bellary, &c, have under God's favoring providence attained a higher standard than has been reached since the district came under the Company's management, being exceeded only in the exceptional Fusly of 1797 in which large arrears belonging to the two previous years, deposited on account of litigation among the zamindars, were carried to account. The direct returns derived from the Kistna irrigation specified in my report for the Official year 1856/57 are not sufficient to account for this progress tho it must be admitted that the great anicut project has contributed in no inconsiderable way to the prosperity of the District as indicated by its increased revenue.—

17. In conclusion, I would bring one point prominently to notice and that is that the principle of charging all land occupied has now been thoroughly established and a recurrence to the old fashion of remission of assessment on occupied waste in any single year of adverse would tend to vitiate its continuance. If remissions are found necessary for general failure of produce, the cultivated land is

is naturally entitled to the first consideration and it seems expedient either to make a general remission on the whole Assessment or else on particular localities or on particular crops which may have signally failed.—

18. With the adoption of this principle of fully charging all waste, it may be observed that the

Fuslies	Demand Land Revenue	Collection Current & arrears	Current balance	Per Centage		
1256	14,28,261	14,40537	93149	6	8	4
1257	14,65,056	14,74,822	77211	5	4	4
1258	15,29,560	15,01,097	70742	5	..	4
1259	15,24,193	14,77285	130548	8	8	10
1260	14,14,162	13,12,169	97832	8	7	3
1261	14,68,703	14,14,962	67145	6	10	7
1262	14,44,954	14,18,390	59712	4	10	3
1263	14,17,319	13,77031	55289	4	3	5
1264	13,55,406	13,25,573	24498	4	..	10
1265	15,34,296	16,33071	17,617	1	9	7
1266 Probable	16,52,688	16,35071	17617	1	1	1

Collections have been made with more punctuality in the last 2 fuslies than since the famine of 1832. My object has been to fix the demand with the view to its being entirely Collected instead of leaving any discretion to be used by the Tahsildars; and I am persuaded that a strict Enforcement of this principle is one of the most effectual means of Cutting off occasion for intrigue and fraud on the part of the public servants. At the same time where relief in the way of remissions is decidedly called for by circumstances of season the same should be accorded in a scale sufficiently liberal to meet the exigency of the case and according (as far as possible) to some general rules rather than the arbitrary discretion of the local Officers.—

19. I hope the Board will not consider my concluding remarks as to the course that seems to me best calculated to secure the success of the revenue administration to be irrelevant, particularly as I am not aware that their views have been fully laid down on some of the points I have alluded to.—

Guntoor, Collector's Office
1st August 1857.

(Signed) H. Newill
Jr. Collector.

Statement

No. 21742

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No. 1

Statement of Villages in which the Jaimum rates have been reduced.—

Villages	Ayacut			Cultivation in 1265 fusly		Revised				Decrease			Increased Cultivation in 1265	
	Acres	Assessment	Average per acre	Acres	Assessment	Ayacut assessment	Average per acre	Settlement otherwise rate on land cultivated in 1265	Below the Ayacut assessment	Below the assessment on land cultivated in 1265	Acres	Assessment (Revised)
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	acres	Rupees	Rs. a. p.	acres	Rs.	acres	Rs. a. p.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	acres	Rupees
Coraspaud	1994	9987	2 4 .	377	1362	1588	2 . .	654	1999	818	730	1459
Lagadapaud	409	3763	2 5 .	534	1281	1818	2 . .	118	445	178	214	409
Kumbapaudy	617	1666	2 8 8	301	808	1456	2 4 .	675	190	133	119	268
Sureeparum	3423	7479	2 1 7	1353	3427	6173	2 3 .	2960	866	467	430	975
Valamberchaud	1768	2830	2 4 .	448	1078	2516	2 . .	896	314	112	108	215
Chintalapudy	759	1897	2 8 .	221	506	1660	2 3 .	483	237	21	44	55
Gurrapaudy	400	998	2 7 11	188	468	875	2 3 .	411	123	57	55	111
Sureepaudy	721	1813	2 8 3	211	539	1597	2 3 6	462	216	77	64	110
Vamoor	3328	6225	1 14 .	2256	4119	3869	1 12 2	3869	356	250	548	995
Sumpany	3241	6595	2 . 6	1651	3277	3879	1 13 .	2916	716	361	573	893
Total	6569	12820	. . .	3907	7396	11748	. . .	6785	1072	611	1121	1888
Ippalapollem	749	1897	2 8 6	80	204	1432	1 14 7	153	465	51	142	171
Seringhepollem	898	2184	2 6 11	130	315	1816	2 . 5	263	368	52	81	117
Valoor	3743	9611	2 9 1	653	1681	8207	2 3 1	1437	1404	244	232	322
Total	5390	13692	. . .	865	2200	11455	. . .	1853	2237	347	455	610
Vunkayalapaud	891	1646	1 13 7	891	1646	1337	1 8 .	1337	309	309	..	..
Audepoody	2049	3759	1 13 4	1078	2682	3054	1 7 10	2179	705	503	106	301
Nookavarapadoo	199	255	1 4 7	161	202	207	1 . 8	164	48	38	38	43
Purchoor	3959	10093	2 8 9	3018	5734	8801	2 1 2	4659	1892	1075	404	764
Total	7098	15753	. . .	5748	10264	12799	. . .	8339	2954	1925	548	1108
Grand Total	268	80178	. . .	17067	35262	69525	. . .	30516	10653	4746	3888	7238

Gumtoor
Collector's Office
1st August 1857.

(Signed) H. Newill,
Acting Collector.

Proceedings

Bd. No. 1,679
Proceedings thereon.
(1103-4)

Board's Proceedings 26th February 1857. Contract Minutes Consultation 2d. Inst. 14th May 1857. No. 1408 Rec'd.

1. The object of the foregoing letter is to shew primarily the state of the assessment in the Talook of Pruttiepaud. The assessment of the Mungelgherry Talook was considered and disposed of in the correspondence noted in the margin and in reviewing the field rates in that Talook the Board took occasion to point to that of Pruttiepaud, where the assessment had been previously noticed as excessive. In the letter now falling under consideration Mr. Newill states that the high standard of assessment in this Talook had attracted his attention but that from the enquiries he had made he would adopt the conclusion that the excess, as compared with other Talooks was in a great measure nominal, owing to the Coochel, the land measure of Guntoor being longer in Pruttiepaud than in the other Talooks of the District. The Coochel was reduced to acres in the

Revenue accounts throughout the District a few years ago, and there is little doubt Mr. Newill observes that in the majority of cases the commuted number of acres is much below the correct area. An instance, in the case of the village of Pouparroe in the adjacent Talook of Pomoor similarly circumstanced, is adduced in confirmation of this view. The assessment (unirrigated) of this village is Rupees 2-14-4 per acre according to the Revenue accounts. A survey of its lands four fifths of which are precepted shows an increase of about 1/3 in the acre thus reducing the rate per acre to about Rupees 2.—

2. In further support of this opinion it is shewn that the area of Pruttiepaud is recorded in the Revenue accounts, compared with that traced from the District Map, is less than is found in the other Talooks of the District similarly compared—

allowing

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allowing for the difference the assess-
ment of Pruttepaud is reduced from
Rupees 2—6—. to Rupees 1—15—10 per acre,
which is about the average rate in the
other Eastern Talooks of the District.
Immgelgerry however still retains a high
average rate compared with the rates
in the other Talooks, but as observed in the
correspondence regarding the assessment
of that Talook, a further reduction is
not called for as there is much allu-
vial land of a rich quality in that locality.

Average Rate per acre in Immgelgerry Rupees 2—1—5.

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C.M.C. p-6

3. Looking to the foregoing reasons and to the prosperous state of the cultivation in Pruttepaud the Board concur in the view that a reduction of the assessment is not called for in the Talook, though as observed by Mr. Ashe there may be instances here as well as elsewhere where a modification of the present rates may be made with advan-

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The good results following a mitigation of the assessment where it is found to be excessive, is shewn in the statement which accompanied the letter under consideration. It is seen from the particulars as therein exhibited that a reduction to the amount of Rupees 4746 on the cultivation of Fusly 12.65 / 1855/56 in certain villages mentioned has been followed by an increase of Rupees 7,238 in Fusly 12.66 / 1856/57 in the same arising from (a) additional land taken up. The favorable circumstances of the year may in some degree have led to this increase though not entirely so.—

4. The variation in the Cooche suggests caution as Mr. Stewill observes, in pronouncing on the character of the assessment when the rate per commuted acre is considered, but notwithstanding this variation the field assessment is stated to work well as each field is defined and bears a fixed assessment. The variation however is probably not so wide spread as may at first be supposed

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Villages	Acres per Coochel		
	Ac.	4th	16th
249	25	10	4
85	21	24	6
250	20	18	5

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Mr W. Elliot's report 18th Dec. 1855.
p. 11 & 16.

supposed. From a table carefully collected it is seen that out of 749 Circar Villages a great proportion more than three fourths come within three equivalents not so materially differing from each other, as to produce in equalities of any practical consequence. —

5. With the relief lately given in Mungalgerry and other parts of the District the bearing of the assessment on the cultivating classes is considered favorable. The Collections in Mungalgerry exceed those of the preceding years. Rupees 2078. Notwithstanding the large reduction of the assessment in this Salook and remissions also to the extent of about Rupees 3735, which was found necessary to make for land that could not be sown. The abolition of the heavy garden rates in the Coast villages and the substitution of dry rates have also fully answered expectation. Instead of a deficiency from this measure there is an increase of Rs 754. In the Poolery taxe Government have consented to a relinquishment of present Revenue amounting to about of Rupees. The relief to the agricultural

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classes is stated to be considerable and the policy of encouraging the Ryots it is observed to keep up a large stock of Cattle by the removal of the pasture taxe cannot be questioned as the extension of cultivation generally follows in proportion to the increased stock of Cattle. The garden and irrigated rates of assessment have also undergone revision lately, not generally but where they were found to be excessive. —

6. On the whole the assessment of Guntoor in its general bearing is now placed on a moderate basis, though there may be particular cases in which further modification may be desirable. Notwithstanding the large sums thus given up on account of the several items enumerated, the result is full of encouragement as the collections of Fusly $\frac{1266}{1856/57}$ are found to exceed those of any preceding year since the country came under the Company's management

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Collectors should the Government
approve. With a reduced assess-
ment the necessity for remis-
sions will be pretanto dimi-
nished and when given the
indulgence will be regula-
ted strictly in accordance
with the views laid down
by Government in Extract
Minutes Consultation of
4th March 1825 No 105.

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No. 118.

To.

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

1105

B/ No. 4857.

From the Collector of Canara.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 17th November 1857.—

2. These proceedings it would appear were held on a letter from this Office date 25th August No. 234, but no such letter was addressed by me to the Board on the above date, and the Bill returned with the Board's Proceedings was not forwarded to them but to the Civil Auditor with other Bills of Expenditure of April last.—

3. This Bill moreover I have the honor to observe is not of the nature of those alluded to in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 27th March 1850 No. 330/839 but refers to the price paid by Govt. to the Ameendevi Islanders for Coir purchased from them on Government account. It was therefore submitted for audit & must I imagine have been referred to the Board by the Audit Office. Under these circumstances I beg to retransmit the Bill in question for the consideration & orders of the Board.—

Coll. Canara Collectr. Mangalore 25th Novr 1857. (signed) W. Fisher Collector

The

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B. R. 4077.

Proceedings thereon.— Resolved that the foregoing letters be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with the Boards recommendation that Sanction be granted for the disbursement of Rupees 14049—5—2 Fourteen thousand and forty nine annas five, and pice two being the value of 533—0—0 Cash Mds of Coir purchased in April 1857 from the Amendeve Islanders on account of Government.—

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Read the following Papers.

No. 66.

To

J. D. Sim Esqre

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

1107

B. R. 4135.

From the Officiating Agent to the Governor of Fort St. George @ Kurnool } Sir,

Agreeably with the instructions of your Board conveyed to me in a letter No. 2077 dated 11th August 1857 returning my report on the settlement of the Revenue for Fusly 1266 / 1856-57 — I have the honor to transmit a fresh report brought down to the end of June. The

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The remarks have been attended to and alterations made as adverted.—

Kurnool District
Government Agents Office
On Circuit Calwah
15th October 1857.—

Signed J. G. Ruffell Captain.
Officiating Agent to the Governor

Order thereon; Ordered to be recorded.

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No. 3334.—

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

1109

B. No. 4080.

From the Collectors of Chingleput.— } Sir,

In reply to Extract from the Board's Proceedings No. 3846 of the 4th Ultimo I have the honor to state that the lands therein adverted to were taken to be required for the use of the East Coast Canal in September 1855. The Bills of sale produced by the Parties herein enclosed together with translations thereof in English.—

Chingleput District
Coll.rs Cutcherry
Sydapet 17th November 1857. } Signed J. C. Sherbrick
Collector

21756 Fort St. George 24th December 1857

No. 1.

Translation of a Deed of sale executed on the 27th Carthecay of Sadarana Corresponding to 10th December 1850 in favor of Appavoo Gramany Son of Mooneya. Spak Gramany of Alundoor in the Sydapet Talook Zillah Chingleput by Hakun Ansary meal Saib Son of Goolam Mohodeen Sahib of Mylapoor.—

I have this day sold to the above individual my Garden which I purchased from Ameeroomsa Begum and Hyroonesaw of Triplicane on 11th Chittry of Plavunga Corresponding to 20th April 1847. Comprising 14½ Cawnies of Nunjah and Poonjah situated to the west of the Village and bounded on the North by the lands of Jamal Saib on the South by the threashing floor and Cakecoolee on the West by the lands of Jamal Saib and on the East by Mooneyappa Gramany's Garden together with the Building in it and all its appurtenances Ponds and the eight sources of pleasure for the sum of Company Rupees 485 which sum I have this day received from Appavoo Gramany

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The remarks have been attended to and alterations made as advertised.—

Kurnool District
Government Agents Office
On Circuit Calwah
15th October 1857.—

Signed J. G. Ruffell Captain
Officiating Agent to the Governor

Order thereon; Ordered to be recorded.—

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No. 3314—

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

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B. R. 4080.

From the Collectors of Chinglepet.— } Sir,

In reply to Extract
the Board's Proceedings No. 3244 of
Ultimo I have the honor to State
the lands therein adverted to were
to be required for the use of the
Coast Canal in September 185
Bills of sale produced by the
herein enclosed together with the
thereof in English.—

Chinglepet District
Coll.s Cutcherry
Sydapet 17th November 1857. } Signed C. I. Shubrick

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Granmany who I hereby declare is fully entitled to enjoy hereditarily for ever the said Garden which is alienable by gift sale or otherwise I further declare that in the event of a dispute seeming to arise in regard to the enjoyment of the Garden I shall stand responsible and adjust and settle all disputes for and on behalf of Appavoo granmany.—

/True Translation/

/Signed/ C J Shubrick

Collector

No. 2.—

Translation of a Deed of sale executed on the 23d of Masy of the year Ramadeecha corresponding to 4th March 1853 in favour of Nyneappa Naiken of Palavankum by Sydapet Talook Zillah Chingleput by the undersigned Merasidars of that Village.

We the undersigned Merasidars of Palavankum have this day sold to Nyneappa of that Village the Nunjah fields situated to the west of the Village as more fully described and particularized in the Margin amounting in all to Cs. as. Co. 5—14—10 for a sum of Company Rupees 206—15—10 at the rate of Rupees 35 per Cawney together with the Eight sources of profit viz. trees and trees stones hidden treasure &c. and Gramacoopattum and all other privileges which sum of Rupees 206—15—10 we have this day received from Nyneappah Naiken and we hereby declare that that Nyneappah Naiken is fully entitled to enjoy hereditarily for ever the said fields which are alienable by gift sale or otherwise We further declare that in the event of a dispute seeming to arise in regard to the enjoyment of the lands we

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Bounded on the		Extent	Number
North	Village common channel	Cs. as. Co.	
	measured main line.	2½—1—4—12	
South	Catchcherry adjoining	202—1—10—1	
	common pucka road line.	205—1—14—"	
East	Village common channel	206—1—1—8	
	measured main line.		
West	Common pucka road line.		

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we shall stand responsible and adjust and settle all disputes for and on behalf of Nyneappah Naiken

/True Translation/

/Signed/ C. J. Stubrick

Collector

No. 3.

Translation of a Deed of Sale executed on the 20th of Vyasee of the year Parcethavee corresponding to 1st June 1852 in favor of Vadavasheanee Chetanumbra Sawmy of Pantaveram in the Sydapet Taluk Tillay Chingleput by the undersigned Meerasidars of the Village.—

We the undersigned Meerasidars of Palavanthenn have this day sold to Chetumbra Sawmy of that Village several fields situated to the East of the Village as entered described in the annexed Schedule for the sum of Rupees 197-2-8 to us paid by the said Chetumbra Sawmy and we hereby declare that the said fields are our Sreetheen property and that we have full power to sell the same to any person we please and that we will not hereafter claim the said fields or any part thereof on any account whatsoever.

No.	Extent	Bounded on the			
		North	South	East	West
	Ca. As Ca.				
199	2—2—8	Land purchased by Appa Vencatachella Naiken	Care appal Gramanies Nungambaukum Royal land	Land purchased by Chetumbra Sawmy	Village Samoodayam Nungambaukum immemorial Waste lands.
200	"—10—4				
208	1—11—0	100 Grama Sheen—			
209	1—10—4				
210	1—6—14				

Compounds 197-2-8

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the rate of 31½ Rupees per Cawny together with the eight sources of pleasure viz. beasts and trees stones hidden treasure &c. and Grama Cooppatham and all other privileges which sum of Rupees 237-3-7 we have this day received from Chetumbra Swamy and we hereby declare that that Sawmy is fully exctitled to enjoy hereditarily for ever the said fields which are alienable by gift sale or otherwise. We further declare that in the event of a dispute seeming to arise in regard to the enjoyment of the lands we shall stand responsible and adjust and settle all disputes for and on behalf of Chetumbraswamy—

/True Translation/

/Signed/ C. J. Stubrick

Collector

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B. No. 1085.—

Proceedings thereon.— Before submitting the Collectors application for the orders of Government the Board require fuller explanation as to the right of the Merasidars to sell immemorial waste lands. His opinion is also requested

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requested as to the genuineness of the Bills of sale and the claims of the sellers to be held Meraseidars.—

2. He will also states whether the land is cultivated and pays Revenue to Government.—

No. 190.—

To.

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

Sir.

With reference to the

From the Collector of Coimbatore

BR. No. 4657.—

IIII

21762 Fort St. George 27th December 1857.

Circular letter of the 7th August 1856. No. 2533. I have the honor to forward a Statement showing the average assessment on Nunjah, Poonjah and Garden lands in this District, after deducting permanent remissions made at different times under the Sanction of Government.—

Coimbatore 19th November 1857.

Signed C. B Thomas
Collector

Statement

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Board No 4782.

From the Acting Collector of Madura

No 271.

To

J. D. Shaw Esqr

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George

Sir,

In reply to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue under date the 13th instant No 3927 calling for an explanation as to who the Paramu Naul said to have been dismissed and to have received 2 Rupees per Annum could be and how long the arrangement has existed, I have the honour with reference to the correspondence noted in the Margin, to state that by profession the said Perumu Naul is an Oddiyar and not a Sucker, as appears through a clerical error to have been stated by my Predecessor's letter of the 22 June 1857

To Bd 17th Feby/57 No 34
From Do 19th March " No 874
To Do 20th May " No 95
To Do 22d June " No 122

At

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No Statement showing the extent of Cultivated Land in the Shrotriem Village of Kannamangalam in the District of Coimbatore for the Fasly 1267 and 1850 A.D.

Description of Land	Average Assessment per Acre	Amount of Assessment	Average Net Produce per Acre	Remarks
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Dry	2 4 4	34,563	78,178	1 9 3
Garden	3 11 9	99,554	4,87,941	3 1 8
Wet	13 5 11	72,809	1,93,840	9 11 6
Total	4 4 3	2,06,926	7,00,959	3 5 8
Lands assigned for Kammam and Karumbu Service	" "		11,98,765	" " "
Do for Tank Commandeer	" "		900	1 13 8
Do for Cowmy allowance	1 13 8	"	"	" " "
Do for Oddiyan	7 5 10	"	3,87,195	7 5 10
Total	1 1 10	"	15,86,860	1 1 10
Lands remitted by Allowance and Reduction made	" "	34,563	12,67,644	" " 145
Dry	14,169 62			
Garden	15,692	99,554	4,88,841	3 1 7
Wet	7,345 46	72,809	5,81,134	8 " 2
Total	1,64,194	2,06,926	23,86,975	1 5 10

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No Statement showing the extent of Cultivated Land in the Shrotriem Village of Kannamangalam from the Assessment Papers for Fasly 1267 and 1850 A.D.

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2 At her request her daughter Valamye was appointed by Mr Parker on the 21st May 1855 / but not after her dismissal as stated in Para 2 of the Board's Proceedings under reply / without obtaining the Sanction of Government; for which the Civil Auditor returned her allowance alluded to in the letter referred to above. Mr Sullivan thereupon requested Sanction for its continuance retrospectively

3 The Colegar is one of 7 entered in the Statement B submitted to the Board of Revenue on the 20th May 1850 who is numbered as 27.

Signed J. A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

Madura
27 November
1857
B. of S. 4678
To the Sy Secy
to Government

To
The Acting Secretary to
Government Revenue
Department

Sir,

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Ltr to 19th March " 57
Ltr from 20th May in 12th July 57
Ltr from 22d June in 13th July 57
Ltr to 13 Augt —
Ltr from 27th Augt 24th Sept 57
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of

2 At her request her daughter
Valangee was appointed by Mr Parker on
the 21st May 1855 / but not after her
dismissal as stated in Para 2 of the
Board's Proceedings under reply / without ob-
taining the Sanction of Government; for which
the Civil Auditor returned her allowance
alluded to in the letter referred to above. Mr
Sullivan thereupon requested Sanction for
continuance retrospectively

3 The Collector is correct
of 7 entered in the Statement B
mitted to the Board of Revenue on
20th May 1830 who is mistaken
as 27.

(Signed) A. Wallace
Acting Collector

Madura
27 November 1857
Pd. No. 4678
To the Actg Secy
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of Permaikal were transferred without the authority of Government to Ragoopaty Rajah and Valayee respectively the former in consequence of neglect of duty on the part of Vikramadhitha Rajah and of the latter on account of the age and infirmity of Permaikal.—

3 The relationship of Ragoopaty Rajah to Vikramadhitha Rajah is not stated. Velayee is the daughter of Permaikal, and was appointed at her mothers request.

4 The pensions enjoyed are included in the Sums allowed for Watchers and Coolies for the Poligars family, and entered as Nos. 23 and 27 in Statement B forwarded with letter of the Collector of Madura dated 20th May 1830.— In Cons 3 June 1830

5. Under the foregoing circumstances and as the Services of

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these Servants are stated to be necessary for the Comfort of the family of the late M. Vaithoopathy, the Board of Revenue recommend that Sanction be granted for the Sums disbursed in Fasly 1265 to the parties mentioned in the enclosure of the Acting Collectors letter dated 22d June 1857, and that the allowances of Rupees 2-6-" and 12 annas per mensem be Continued to Sabarama Rajah and Velayee respectively, the former from the date of the decease of Ragoopathy Rajah and the latter from the 22d May 1857 the date on which Velayee was nominated to succeed her mother.—

In Con 13th Nov 57

Rev Bd Office
Fort St. George
24th Dec 57—
Ba No 4846
From the Ag Collr
of Malabar

1115

I have &c
(Signd) M D Sim
Ag Secretary

No 189

To
M D Sim Esqr
Ag Secry to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Sir

An Arrear &c as per

for Fiscly 1263 Rupees	30-2q
Do 1264 "	30-2q
Do 1265 "	30-2q
Do 1266 "	30-2q
Total Rs	120-11-"

margin has accrued against a land named Collangykully Nelom. It is the Crown property of the Mannior Drosom and the Revenue at present stands registered in the name of M. Paramas-heran Samby a mortgagee of the land. He however sold his lien in the land Several years ago to K. Govinda Menon, who found the Revenue for 2 years but finding the bargain unprofitable he threw it up 4 years ago and now refuses ab-solutely to pay the Revenue or the arrear. The question is whose personal property can it seize? Both parties / Proprietor and late occupant / are men of wealth and litigious and the decision must be taken with ca-2

The proprietor denies his responsibility stating that under the Contract with he thinks who

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who is represented by his agent K. Govinda Menon the tenant is to pay it and the Revenue is registered in a tenants name that by now paying the arrear he would not be released from his obligation in regard to this and other lands × by the same deed and that already 8 years rent is due to him on account of the land. He will not take back the land with this arrear because it is one only / and the indifferent parcel / of several lands in-cluded in the same deed of devise - He Considers that he Could not enter on it and be upheld in it nor Could we perhaps legally place him in possession of it. He refuses at the same time to allow the sale of the

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the land which is his property and by sale would pass from him.—

3 H. Gjinda Mann states that he has given it up— that he never had it registered in his name— has not Cultivated it and threw it up 4 years ago and therefore leaves to the Government to recover the Revenue and arrear and to sell the land &c. if we please

4 It is a Case in point as regards recent ruling of the Board and Government I believe the land is Clearly responsible but the proprietor shelters himself behind this recent ruling and I cannot sell the land without incurring Considerable risk I must therefore ask the solution of the difficulty at the hands of the Board The

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5 The land can bear the Revenue and long paid it and were it sold it would realize a price which would liquidate all demands.—

Calicut 30th Nov. 1857 / Signed W. Robinson Ag Collector

B. of R. 4690

Proceedings thereon.— The Board have recently laid before Government a draft act empowering Collectors to recover arrears by the sale at their option of the personal or real property of a defaulter and they think it advisable that the present Case should lie over until it is seen what the result of the application to the Legislative Council may be.—

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2. Properly speaking Collectors have no Concern with Sale Amounts and look to

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to the registered proprietor only for the Government dues but a different practice has prevailed in Malabar and the Board do not consider the present case one which affords a favorable opportunity of trying in the Courts whether the proprietor is absolved at least from liability in the first instance when his Sub tenant has been registered by the Collector.—

The Board resolve to forward the present letter to Government as an illustration of the necessity of modifying the present law they perceive however that it may be a matter of difficulty in Malabar to determine who is the defaulter but the proper Remedy they apprehend is to recognise and Register only proprietors & could leave them to

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arrangements with their Sub tenants but not permitting them to divest themselves of responsibility for the Government assessment.—

(117)
B. of R. No. 4908
From the Secy to the Madras Trade Association

To

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

Sir,

I have now the honor, with reference to my letter to your address of the 29th July to state in the undernoted Paras the result of the consideration that has been given by the Committee of the Trade Association to Mr. W. H. Bayley's "Suggestions for an Uniform System of Rights and Measures throughout India" viz.—

1st. That the Pamphlet has been read by the Members of the Committee with considerable interest, treating as it does a Subject of vast importance to India in a Comprehensive lucid and practical manner for which the author justly deserves the thanks of all interested in the welfare

of

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welfare of the Millions of this
=pire.

2d That the Trade generally
=cur in the Presidency of how
recognised Standards of Weig
and Measures the use of wh
should be enforced by Sovern
=nder Penalties for any infri
of its enactments as a me
by which the public at large
be benefitted —

3d That the Unit of Wei
should be based as suggest
by Mr Bayley on the Standard
Currency of India as a ready
of Reference in Cases of doubt,
that all Weights and Measure
whatever kind should be
and restamped by Government
periodically as a protection
Public against fraud.

4th That the assimilation of
Weights and Measures with

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those of England would be highly
desirable with the largely increased
Commercial intercourse between
the two Countries and that when
the Imperial Seer is reduced as
in Contemplation to 2000 lbs provided
the adjustment of the former might
be quite practicable on the prin=
=ciple laid down on this head
in the suggestions under review
the introduction also of Mr Bayleys
views regarding Measures of Capacity
would be an advantage as those
now in general use throughout
India are of all sizes and shape
and this measure should be
struck and not heaped as the
latter mode of measurement is
altogether undesirable. —

5th That in Superficial Measure=
=ment the substitution of the
Acre with decimal subdivisions
for that of the Native Canvas
would

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would simplify such Calculations and afford increased facilities in the admeasurement of Land and that the English linear measure of yard and foot in lieu of the present diversified and Crude Systems that obtain in different parts of India as measures of Length would be an advantage, the people would soon learn to appreciate in Common with the practice introduction of Mr. Bayley's other suggestions for the amelioration of that which it is hoped will in due Course become the obsolete System of Weights and Measures throughout the whole of the British Indian Empire. —

6th That the introduction as Mr. Bayley remarks of whatever Scheme the Government may

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may ultimately adopt with regard to the subject of his Pamphlet should be gradual, the Committee fully Concur in at the same time however that native prejudices and existing Interests may thereby be studied the people of India should be given to understand that the new and Revised System would Eventually become general and that where necessary the Government were prepared to enforce Compliance as a measure of Justice to all. —

Before closing this Report I beg to offer some observations suggested by the Committee relative to a Decimal Coinage for India the introduction of which it is submitted on the basis of a Gold Currency would be of easy accomplishment the Rupee at present being the just Equivalent of the Florin and a tenth of the Imperial Sovereign. The adoption of a decimal scale in this form would doubtless prove of great Convenience

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Commerce to the Public generally in as much as the facilities it offers would Check to a great extent the almost universal System of Credit that prevades India and which in some measure is attributable to the present Cumbrous Metallic Currency - besides which the large drain of Silver to the East so much Complained of in other times would be thus relieved. The difficulty no doubt would be found in adjusting the Submultiples of the Rupee in reference to the present fractional parts of the existing Currency but no organic changes of any kind a Magnitude Can ever be effected without many Systems that by force of time and Circumstances become obsolete as the adoption of the Decimal Scale of Accounts as well as that of Currency now becoming general amply testifies. The Improvement however in the

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East in this respect as well as many other in the track of accidental Civilization will be Checked for a time by the obdurate prejudices of its people but a favorable time for effecting radical changes will occur when the Supremacy of British Power reorganizes her Eastern Dependencies in amelioration of the Condition of its peoples.

In Conclusion I am desired to remark that the Committee have been at some pains to Collate the views of many persons disconnected with their Association whose experience and avocations give value to their opinions and who have

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have fully concurred in the necessity of an absolute revision of the Rights and measures of India and have acknowledged that Mr. Bayley's suggestions in reference thereto possess a peculiar value from their practicability based as they are upon an intimate knowledge of the subject in all its phases

To the foregoing circumstance is referrable the delay that has occurred in your receipt of this reply and.—

Madras 30th November 1857

Signed H. D. Coles
Secretary

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To The Secy. Madras Trade Association

Dd. 24th 1665
To the Secy Madras Trade association

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 30th November 1857 and to inform you that the suggestions offered in

it

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It will be Submitted to Government in due Course. —

2. The Board do = see no = to convey their thanks to the Association for their valuable Communication. —

Revenue Bd Office
24th Dec 1857 — 3

/Signed/ J B Sim
Actg Secy

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No. 377.

To

J. B. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George.

1119

Bd No. 4876.
From the Collector of Tinnevelly. } Sir,

I have the honor to report that having left the Sudder station on the 27th Ultimo to proceed to the Coast to distribute money to the Salt manufacturers, and there being no Assistant within this District the treasury was left in the charge of the Cash Keeper the balance of cash in his hands on that date was Rupees 53570-2-10.

Tinnevelly Collectors Circuit Cutcherry 1st December 1857. } /Signed/ J. Silver
Collector

1119-20
Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.

No. 190
1857.

To

J. B. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George.

1121

Bd No. 4861
From the Asst Collector of Malabar. } Sir,

With reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 24th Ultimo I regret to state that I am

No. 4137.

unable

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unable to furnish the information required.

There is no bungalow in this District (there are a few Overseers huts and a shed at Coodally) on Trunk Road No. 4 at which a Peon receives his Book are kept except at Gymoth, Gymoth being however an exceedingly unhealthy locality as many travellers as possible pass by it, especially during the hot months the number of passengers there would therefore be no great criterion of the number requiring accommodation at Chawachery. Any information therefore that I could attempt to give must be incorrect and likely to mislead suffice it to say that no road in Malabar probably has a like number of travellers using it with Trunk Road No. 4 Every Traveller to Cannanore or Tellicherry and the Northern parts of the District from Madras the Hills & Bangalore &c. passes by this road and at present the inconvenience is very great from the want of accommodation. The proposed structure is the first of a series of Bungalows we have in contemplation to construct along the important line Coodaly Bungalow will be asked for next year.

It is the great Military road of the west Coast.

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There is only one Bungalow that at Gymoth 29 Miles from Cannanore as yet constructed on the line.

Calicut 1st December 1857. } Signed H. Robertson Acting Collector.

B. No. 4666.

1121-22

Proceedings thereon The Board resolved to forward the above letter and the Acting Collectors previous communication to the Chief Engineer and with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation No. 951 Revenue Department para 5 to recommend the construction of the proposed Bungalow.

24th January 1857 in Cor. 24 November 1857

6 Sept. 1836 in Cor. 25 Nov. 1856.

The Board are not aware whether the plan enclosed is the standard one but it seems to them peculiarly commodious and convenient. They would be glad to be furnished at the Chief Engineers convenience with a Copy of each of the approved standard plans for record in their Office

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No. 354.

To

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

1123

B. No. 4529. From the Collector of Chingleput } Sir,

With reference to Extract from the Proceeding of the Board of Revenue No. 3643 of the 28th October last, I have the honor to report for their information that out of the several Estates

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Estates advertized for sale in this District it has not been found necessary to put up any to Public auction the Proprietors having adjusted their balances prior to the date of Sale except one to a very trifling amount.—

Chingleput District,
Collectors Cutcherry,
Sydapet 2d December
1857.

Signed C. J. Shubrick
Collector

1123-24

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.—

No. 311.

To.

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

1125

Bd No. 4826.

From C. Whittingham Esqre
Collector of North Arcot.

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 23d November 1857 to transmit in the Margin the number and salaries of Public Servants attached to the Head Assistant Collectors Office.

2 Rajah Row 3d Revenue Moonshee of my office with a salary

1 Drawing Peon Head Magistracy Gomastah } 15-12-0
1 Ramadandah Rayer Gomastah 15-12-"
1 Sunkerred Rayer Gomastah 12-8-"
1 Sunkerred Coomutty 5-4-"

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Salary of 23 Rupees who is able to write English in a fair hand has been sent to the Acting Head Assistant in exchange for Sunkaraiah Magistrate Gomastah.—

North Arcot,
Collectors Circuit Cutcherry,
Palmanair. 2d December
1857.

Signed C. Whittingham
Collector

1125-26

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.

No. 314.

To.

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

1127

Bd No. 4860.

From the Collector
of North Arcot.

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to your letter of the 28th November 1857 No. 4240 to express my regret that in consequence of its not appearing in the list of unanswered letters the communication from the Board of the

15th

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15th August 1856 had completely escaped my recollection.

2 The only vacancies (not including inferior appointments) which have occurred in my Division since the date of that communication have been a Police ameenship and a Peadzoor Goomastahship. The pay of the Police ameen is 45 Rupees but the appointment would not probably have suited the Goomastah of the Board's Office, and the pay of my Peadzoor Goomastah was only 19 Rupees.

3 On the occurrence of next Vacancy among the Talook Servants the Board's request will be complied with.

North Arcot Collector's Circuit Cutchery Singapooram in Bongalore Tzemmidary 3d December 1856.

(Signed) C. Whittingham Collector

Ordered to be recorded

Order thereon

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No. 119.

To

L. D. Saw Esqre

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St George.

1129

Bd No. 11940. From the Collector of Canara No. 3852.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 7th Ultimo calling for a report on the progress and effect of public works in this District for the official year 1856/57 with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 13th May 1856 and the Board's Circular thereon of the 22d Idem.

2 On receipt of the Board's order above quoted the necessary steps were taken to obtain the information required and a report was subsequently received from the Sub Collector. As however the public works in progress in Canara were confined to the opening of roads and Ghauts and did not embrace such undertakings as either make any direct return to Government or improvement in the resources of the ryot though of vast general and indirect advantage to the people of this District, and the countries bordering on it I was led

led to suppose from the views of Government as enunciated in Extract Minutes Consultation Public Works Department under date 7th March 1857 subsequently received that the Chief Engineer / that the report now called for had special reference to works of irrigation and internal improvements directly increasing the resources of the Ryot and the revenues of the state. A return to the effect that no such works existing in Canara had already been made and the report called for was not prepared under the impression that all information on the extension and improvement of communications works neither directly remunerative or bearing specially on the resources of the people would be hereafter furnished through the Officers of the Public Works Department.

3 As however I appear to be in error in this matter certain information has been called for from the District Engineer, and a report will be submitted with as little delay as possible.

Collectors Cutcherry
Mangalore — D^o
3^d December 1857.

Signed R. Fisher
Collector

Ordered thereon. Ordered to be recorded.

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B^d No. 4847
From the Chief Engineer.
1131

No. 5715.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works under date the 4th December 1857.

Read the following -

/ A. E. Resolution of the Board of Revenue No. 4183 dated 26th November 1857. /

Resolved with reference to the observation made in Para 3 of Extract Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department No. 1177 dated 18th November to remind the Board for the information of Government that the requisition made by the Board's Secretary in his letter No. 1482. of the 15th May 1856 was for a tracing or sketch shewing as accurately as possible the three Taluks of Goorumconda, Muddunpelly, and Royachoty - The purpose for which the map was required was not stated and if therefore the Map is encumbered by details held to be incumbered by details and to have been made needlessly accurate and complete the

Chief

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Chief Engineer has sent to observe that the Board's requisition should have been conveyed in more explicit terms.

3 Government it is observed object to the Map having been executed on contract and find no authority for such a charge being preferred but when it is explained how completely the time of the Draftsmen of the Central Office was occupied in the execution of orders from the Local and Supreme Governments and of the current duties of the Departments, and moreover as there are many instances of sanction having been accorded for the copying on contract of Maps for the use of the Revenue authorities of this Presidency it is trusted that the Board will find itself justified in again respectfully asking that the charge may be passed.

True Extract
(Signed) C E Faber Colo
Chief Engineer

Resolution

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B/ No 4552.

Resolution thereon (1131-32) Resolved that the above letter be laid before Government with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 18th Ultimo Revenue Department No 1177.

2 In their letter to the Chief Engineer dated 15th May 1856 the Board adopting the exact words of Government requested to be furnished with a tracing "or sketch shewing as accurately as possible the three talooks of Goodumeendah Muddenpully and Royacholy (in the district of Cuddapah) with the positions of their respective Cutcheries" and the Board did not think that these expressions would have been construed to mean a map coloured and finished with every nicety of detail. They applied to the Chief Engineer under the impression that the sketch could be executed by his ordinary Establishment with less delay than by the District Engineer and they regret that a reference was not made to them when it was found that the work would occupy considerable time and necessitate extra

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extra expense.

3 Under the circum-
stances mentioned in para-
2 of the chief Engineers
Proceedings the Board trust
Government will not
withhold sanction for
the map which from its large
scale and details will probably
be found useful in the
Department Public Works
4 Application has
been made to the Distt
Engineer for a sketch such
as Government still require

For

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N° 317.

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

1133

B.B. N° 2918 Sir.
From the Collr of
North arcot

I have the honor to submit for
the consideration of the Board Copy of
a letter dated 4th December 1857 which I have
this day received from the acting additional
sub Collector

2 I should not myself have con-
sidered it necessary to make any reference
to the Board on the subject - although the
teerwah of the Villages mannem lands is not
levied, the lands are assessed in the same
way as the other lands of Villages and
would naturally share in the general
reduction just made. The suggestion on
the second crop raised on one crop mannem
land, is levied in accordance with the
practice of the Villages as regards the tax
on the 2d crop on 1 crop land, that is it
amounts to 7/8 3/4 5/8 or 1/2 of the tax on
the

the first crop, as the case may be. The universal practice in all Villages has now become to levy only ½ the tax of the first crop; and therefore in accordance with the rule that the practice of the Village regulates the demand on the second crop raised on one crop land all Manjem one crop lands should pay as fusuljasty only ½ the tax on the first crop. The tax on this first crop would of course be the reduced rate which the not levied will be entered in the revised Pymash account. I should have given orders to the curnums accordingly but as Mr Bambury seems to consider a reference to the Board necessary I have now the honor to solicit their orders on the subject.

North Arcot
Collector's Circuit
Cutcherry Pourgamore
7th December 1857

I have the honor &c
Signed C. Whittingham
Collector

N° 53

To C. Whittingham Esqr
Collector of North Arcot.

Sir.

There yet remain some subjects to be settled at the time of the introduction of the Revision the ensuing Jummabundy some require the preparation of necessary accounts and details which I am now going on with. The point upon which I now have the honor to address you is regarding the levy of fusuljastee on Manjem lands, that is the charges of second crop teerwah on one crop Manjem Punjah fields.

2 The present system is to levy according to the practice prevailing in each Village half three quarter seven eighths or otherwise of the Manjem one crop tarumteerwah as fusuljastee as the question of revising the tarum teerwah of Manjems has not hitherto been mooted unless Special sanction is obtained the fusuljastee will

will be charged as usual with reference to the old existing high rates. I would therefore beg to request that permission may be granted for reducing the first crop Manium tarum tarwah to the same rate as similarly assessed wastes in the Village have been brought by the introduction of the revision and thus charging half this reduced tarwah as the second crop assessment. The Board have already ruled that both the first crop the second crop shall always be assessed as fusseljastee on Ayen lands there is consequently no reason why the old and complicated system of levying 3/4 or 7/8 of the first crop according to the practice of each Village should still prevail with regard to Manigem fusseljastee.

3 My proposition will doubtless involve some sacrifice of Revenue but the newly introduced charge of fusseljasty on manium holdings is viewed with such dislike by all Village Officers particularly by the poorer position such as the Talliars and

Totties that any abatement of this cess will be very desirable measure, and in the present instance the reduction now advocated appears consonant with justice as the Manigemdars who are chiefly hard working Village servants should not be in any respect less leniently treated than the other Villagers. It would doubtless be altogether advantageous to abolish the levy of this tax into as regards Village Officers, in my late visits into the different Talooks I was constantly being complained to regarding the hardship of this tax and doubtless upon the Talliars and Totties who have little enough to live upon it does press with great heaviness. The complainants also ask why if fusseljasty is added on one crop lands is not Bhegah musty granted on two crop lands. In one instance in the Sattghur Talook 8 Rupees was the charge against a Talliar under this head, he had no means of paying it, and his property was found to

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to consist of a thatched hut with a door worth about one Rupee in fact the door worth more than the hut, and this I should say was by no means an exceptional case. I would therefore beg that in the event of its being deemed expedient to remove the impost altogether the reduced system of levying it now proposed may be sanctioned.

North Arcot
Asst add Sub Collectors
Circuit Cutcherry
Asst 4th December 1857

/Signed/ G. Bunbury
Acting add Sub Collector

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C. Whittinghame
Collector

1138-341

Bd No 4671

Proceedings thereon.

The Board see no reason why any distinction should be made in regard to Jusbyasty between Village Officers and others. The former will hereafter pay 1/2 of the remitted turum assessment for a single crop when their maniem consist of one crop land and a second crop is raised with Govt.

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Government water.

Where the emoluments of Village Officials is manifestly insufficient, application for an increase can be made on that ground but the Board cannot admit that the reduction of assessment renders it incumbent on Government as a matter of course to add to their income and make them maniems of the same assessed value as they originally were.

No 283

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

1135

Bd No 4957 Sir,

From the acting Collr of Madura

No 184 20

I have the honor to forward the remaining 2 Statements connected with the Settlement of Jusby 1266.

2 I also enclose a Memo explaining the discrepancy in the sources of irrigation between the former and present Returns.

The

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3 The last Return of Ayacut was submitted in Fusly 1261 and it will be observed that it has since been increased as shewn below.

Ayacut as per Statement N° 2 of Fusly 1261		Canl. 11,16235
Deduct		
Settanandel &c Anance Villages in Ramnad Zemindary for which the new form makes no provision 1707.		
Ayacut of Manapary Taluk transferred to Trichinopoly -	11345 3	11,5160
Balance		10,0107
Acres		1720,480
Ayacut according to Statement N° 20 of Fusly 1266		1767,404
Increase		46,924

4 The increase was the result of an attempt made to comply with the requisitions of Form N° 7 received from Board on the 12th June 1855 for which an examination of the previous years accounts was necessary with a view to exhibit the alterations effected in the Ayacut subsequent to the survey provided An Enam Village since incorporated with Government

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Government lands is also a secondary source.

Madura
7th December 1857.

/Signed/ A. Hathaway
Acting Collector

Order thereon.

Ordered to be recorded.

1135-36

N° 168.

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

1137

B° N° 4964.

From the Coll° of Trichinopoly

Sir.

In reply to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue N° 4331 of date the 4th Instant, I have the honor to state the map forwarded by me for the Chief Engineer and received back with letter of the 24th October last, was other than the one which accompanied my letter N° 16 of the 2nd February 1857 to your Board.

That map has not been returned to me.

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Trichinopoly
Collector's Office
8th December 1857

/Signed/ J. Bird
Collector

Proceedings

B2 N° 4681
Proceedings thereon.
1137-38

The Map referred to in the above letter having since been found it is herewith returned to the Collector, who will endeavour as soon as possible to meet the Boards wishes as expressed in their letter dated 11th October 1857.

2 The Board believe that the boundaries of the Manapara Taluk are given in a Map recently forwarded to the Collector by the Chief Engineer.

1139
B2 N° 4899
From the Supt Engineer Southern Circle

N° 5760

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

Under date the 8th December 1857

Read the following from the Board of Revenue.

Forwarding an Estimate for the repair of the Oomamputty Travellers Bungalow received from the Sub Collector in charge of the Madura District and recommending the same for sanction.

Here Enter N° 4139 dated 24th November 1857

Under clause III para 6 Section 1 of the Code for the Department Public Works

Works the Chief Engineer sanctions the Estimate received with the foregoing letter amounting to Compeny's Rupees 1100 / One hundred for immediate execution.

Ordered that a Copy of the above Proceedings be communicated to the Collector, thro' the Board of Revenue and the District Engineer of Madura for their information respectively.

True Extract
(Signed) E. Lawford
Superintending Engineer
Southern Circle

1139-40
B2 N° 4673
Order thereon,

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Collector.

N° 173

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

1141
B2 N° 5001
From the Collector of Nellore

Sir,

In compliance with the request of the Commander of Venkatagherry,

I

21807

Fort St George 24th December 1857

I have the honor to transmit 2 Telugoo letters addressed by him to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council and to the Board of Revenue, respectively, communicating the intelligence of the birth of a Son on the 25th November 1857, and soliciting from Government the customary compliments by which he means the presentation of a Khilaut.

2 On the occasion of his marriage in the year 1855 a Khilaut was conferred upon the Zemindar, the present occasion is one of still greater importance, I beg to recommend therefore that his request be complied with

To Board's Lr 11th Augt 1855
Extract Board's Proceedings 27th Septr 1855

Nellore
Collector's Office
9th December 1857

} I Signed I F. B. Elton
Collector

Ordered to be submitted with the following letter

To

21808

Fort St George 24th December 1857.

To

The Secretary to
Government

1141-42

Br No 2680 Sir

To the Asst Secy to Government } I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit for the consideration and orders of Government the accompanying communication from the Collector of Nellore dated 9th December 1857 transmitting a Telugoo letter addressed by the Zemindar of Vencatagherry to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council communicating the intelligence of the birth of a Son on the 25th November 1857.

In Lr 24th Decr 1857

2 The Zemindar requests that a Khilaut may be presented to him on this occasion. It will be seen from the correspondence entered in the margin that a Khilaut

From Collr 11th Inst 29th August 1855
To Govt 22nd Dec
From Do 18th Inst 27th Sept

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Fort St George 21st December 1857

Khelaut was conferred upon the Zemin on his Marriage in 1855. and as the present occasion is considered by him one of still greater importance, the Collector recommends that his request may be complied with and the Board are not aware of any objection. The several articles composing the Khelaut presented in 1855 were purchased by the Sub Treasurer, and a complimentary letter was addressed to the Zemindar by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council this this Office

3 Should the Government accede to the Zemindar's request, the Collector's attention will be called to the general instructions of the Supreme Government dated 30th March 1835

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George 24th December 1857

(Signed) J. D. Sim
Acting Secy

From Sub Treasurer 26th Feb 29th Sept 1855 & 29th Dec

+ From Govt 21st Feb 1855 27th April 1855

For

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Fort St. George, 24th December 1857

No. 148

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

Sir,

1143

Bd. No. 5044
From the Collector of Bellary

With reference to Boards letter of 7th Ultimo submitting his report on the progress and effect of Public Works in the Bellary District for the Official year 1856/1857

I have the honor in accordance with the instructions conveyed in your letter of 7th Ultimo, to transmit my Report on the progress and effect of Public Works in my District for the Official year 1856. I regret that by a misapprehension on my part, the materials for this Report had not been collected which has caused the delay but I have now received them from the District Engineer, and proceed to report in the Progress of the last Official year—

2 There have been Projects under the consideration of the Department of Public Works for improvement of the District for several years some

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some progress has been made in these Projects during the year but no definite seems to have been decided on or approved of. The Projects are to turn the waters of the three principal rivers, the Coombadra, the Huggry and the Pennar, to greater account. That projects await the opinion of Colonel A. Cotton, who has been for some time expected in Bellary —

3 The works of irrigation perform=ed during the year have not been great. The Anicut estimate 11100 Rupees across the Chinna Huggery has been rebuilt and was nearly completed in the year. The effect of this work has yet to be seen. There will be some land taken up this year, and more hereafter according to the ability of the ryots

4 The construction of Heads sluices and other Masonry works / Estimate 15300 Rupees / on the Toongabad channels promise to be of much use in regulating the supply of water and decreasing the cost of annual Repairs

&c

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5 The works Estimated at 13,600 Rupees for improving the supply channel and Tank at Canacul were not commen=ced, as they are dependant upon the Pro=jects of the Anicut across the Huggery.

6 Roads and Bridges — conside=rable progress was made in completing the roads and much more would have no doubt been done, but for orders restricting the expenditure and putting a stop to several works that had been sanctioned. The effect produced by the roads now opened and opening is manifest, by the increasing cart traffic, and the greater weight of goods now carried on a cart. The Trunk Road No 12 / from Madras to Bellary / has about 29 mile only finished, which considering the long time it has been in hand is not satisfactory progress. The Bridge over the Pennar on this road proceeds very slowly, and the District Engineer attributes this to fever so often prevailing at the spots —

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Fort St. George, 24th December 1857

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith Executive Engineer Burgoyne's Travelling Account for the month of November last, and to request that Mr. Burgoyne may have leave to proceed on Private Affairs to Madras.

Mr. Burgoyne's Travelling Account has been compiled at Head Quarters, and I beg to state that the Contingent Establishment, and Establishment for Repairs, have been entertained, and Establishment for Buildings, have been retained at a Head until it appears to the Public Service of the Contingent to be further necessary.

I have the honor to be Sir Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) C. Pelly
Collector

To
The Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Copy of the Report of the Executive Engineer Bellary for the year 1856-1857 which I have the honor to forward herewith.

I have the honor to be Sir Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) C. Pelly
Collector

To
The Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

The Statements mentioned in the following Abstract are not considered necessary to be forwarded.

(Signed) C. Pelly
Collector

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Abstract

Items	Irrigation	Roads	Bridges	Buildings Revenue Judicial Public and ecclesiastical	Military Buildings
Total Estimate Sanctioned	39,991	3,35,424	1,05,445	34,246	1,03,921
Works not commenced in consequence of the restrictive orders for other cause	13,590	61,986	84,190	1,410	82,330
Amount of Estimate of other works under progress	26,401	2,73,438	81,255	32,836	81,591
Amount of Expenditure					
Works completed before the commencement of the Official year 1856/57	"	61128	2,379	5,098	1,299
Expenditure during the year 1856/57 — Construction	12,854	62,514	29,646	7,258	34,403.
Repairs	5,430	34,947	"	2,175	4,609
Total	18,284	97,461	29,646	9,433	36,012

Bellary District Collector's Office Narraindaverkerry 9th Dec. 1857 (Signed) C. Pelly
Collector

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Encl 1.

Report of progress during the year 1856/57 execution of projects enumerated in Statements No. 12, and B of the Public Works Budget of the Bellary District in the Madras Presidency for the same year submitted on the — and Sanctioned on the

Constructing Head Sluice of Kanacul Channel	1,270			
Completion of Kanacul Channel	4,620			
General repairs of Kanacul tank	4,700			
Constructing portion of Trunk road No. 12 between Bellary and Coodair	57,051	17,400	32,731	Twenty Nine Miles open.
Constructing bridges on Penniar river on trunk Road No. 12	35,280	5,792	8,012	Five foundations laid and 2 piers partly raised
Completing the following roads.				
Bellary to Madaverum	107,520	9,893	24,767	In good order.
Allore to Kodoomoor		13,638	22,532	89 Drains Completed and
Gootty to Kurnool		30,610	9,685	the rest in progress. Road
Gootty to Adoney		3,125	16,480	from Anantapore to
Do to Bangalore as far as boundary		12,583	42,099	Mysore frontier has been completed on the 30th December 1856
Completing bridges and drains on the Road from Bellary to Humpasagur	59,250			No Expenditure.

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Communications between Bellary and Ramandroog Hospett & Nagalapoor	13,980	1,743	13,690	Finished on the 30th April 1857.
Bridging the Dharwar Road for the 1st two Stages out of Bellary.	39,924	19,487	37,514	Do. in April 1857. Finished Satisfactorily
Forming Road from Ojenee to Hunpanagor in the District of Bellary and forming a portion of the Military Road from Chittledroog in the Mysore territory thro' Bellary to Caladgy in the Bombay territory	11,450			No Expenditure
Extending the Bellary & Hospett road to Hossoor ferry in the Toongabadra	19,430			Do.
Bridging the road from Tornagul to the foot of Ramandroog Hill	24,380			Do.
Allore Talook Cutcherry	3,503	885	3,213	Nearly Completed, about 3 days more work require to finish it.
Erecting exterior Verandahs to the 9 Ranges of the European Infantry Barracks	44,270	5,520	44,270	Vide its Supplemental Estimate
Travellers Bungalows at Garla=dinna Parnidy Paipully	6,005	3,305	5,735	Garladinnow. Upper walls nearly at the full height. Parnidy. The upper wall 8 feet high Paipully Bungalow works above the basement built. the basement covered with stone slabs tiles made for roof out houses and godown roofed and plastered.

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Tandmurry Moonsiffs Court house	161	561	1611	Vide its Supplemental Estimate	
Enlarging the Talook Cutcherry at Hoovinhudgally	1959	.	.	.	No Expenditure
Erecting a detached Hospital for the Native followers of mounted Corps	1196	.	1299	Finished on the 28th Feby 1856	
Constructing aqueducts for conducting water from the new large Baury to several wash houses attached to the new N. Barracks at Bellary	3060	1981	3769		Supplemental for Rupees 1940 was sanctioned in the Budget for 1857/58
Supplemental Estimates.					
Erecting exterior Verandahs to the 9 ranges of the New European Infantry Barracks	16180	13511	13511	Guard and School room ranges together with 4 ranges of barracks and Orderly room are finished. The 5th range is nearly so. The 6th & 7th ranges have been terraced and the 8th range is being terraced. The wood work to the 9th or last range has been fixed up.	
Tandmurry Moonsiff Courthouse Sanctioned on Emergency.	174	128	128	Roof in progress	
New roofing and flooring the gun sheds outside of the arsenal at Bellary	2720	861	2725	completed on the 30th July 1856.	Sanctioned by Government 14th December 1855.
Putting up a tiled roof to the Sick lines of Stabling for Cavalry Regiment in the cantonment of Bellary	1170	1288	1238	completed on the 25th April 1857	Sanctioned by Government on the 17th October 1855.

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Relaying the roofs of the Cavalry and Infantry places of arms in Bellary	1,1000	6,550	6,550	The Cavalry Standard guard room and 2 of the places of arms are finished and the wood work for another building has been nearly fixed up	Do. on 22d November 1856
Constructing Apothecarys Quarters at Ramandroog	1770	1,562	1,562	The Apothecary's Quarters are nearly finished. with the exception of Fixing the doors and windows which are nearly ready — Foundation and basement to the Cook room have also been built up.	Do. Do. in 10th Do:
Constructing Defaulters room at Ramandroog	970	968	968	completed on the 30th December 1856	Do. Do. 10th Do. Do.
Do. Solitary Cell at Ramandroog	550	549	549	Do.	Do.
Do. Wash house at Do.	250	249	249	Do.	4th Do.	Do. Do. 23. Septr/56
Reconstructing the Middle arch of the bridges erected on the Kanagaulully Vunka	560	"	"	completed. This work is included in Dharwar road bridges	28th November 1856
Constructing a bridge on the Sinappa Vunka	4,020	4,367	4,367	Completed in March 1857	Do. December 1856
Bellary New Talook Cutcherry	6,407	227	6,645	Nearly finished	
Constructing a Hooza Cutcherry — record room in the Anuntapoor Talook	539	.	520	completed on the 15th January 1856	
Do. 4 walls at Dhorajee	931	58	942	Do.	Do. 30th November 1856
Police Ameena Cutcherry at Ramandroog	1,405	.	1,662	Do.	31st March 1853
Constructing a bridge on the road from Anuntapoor to Bangalore	2,031	.	2,379	Do.	31st July 1854
Road from Bellary to Herial	25,543	15	26,140	Do.	30th October 1856.

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Hurnpasaugur Road	47,415	"	52,828	Completed on the 30th April 1856	
Road from Koodtoney to Darajee	12,725	484	13,199	Do. in December 1855	
	529				
Ferry boats to Toombadra	550	"	725	Do. in the end of Septr. 1854	
Tank bund to Connect with the Herial Road	439	23	158	Do. on the 25th October 1856	
Road from Bellary to Rasmaudroog	5,504				
Do. from Yettenahutty to Bhaveehutty	2,086	"	7,570	Do. on the 30th Apl. 1855	
Travellers Bungalow at Koodtoney				Do. in August 1856	These four works are given out for contract
Do. at Yettenahutty	6,885	394	5394	Do. in January 1857	
Soldiers shed at Do.				Do. in April 1857	
Bellary Moonsiffs Court house				Do. in February 1858	
Masonry works on three of the Toombadra channels	15,307	5,740	16,140	Finished in April 1857	1st. Basavana Calvah. The Head Sluice of this channel is raised 4½ feet than the Estimate to correspond with the highest flood and also an Elleptical arched bridge of 30 feet Span and the Southern approach [illegible] Stream into the channel above the above Sluice thereby the Cost is increased Rupees 4,700 — " 3 than the estimate and the works are approved both by the Superintending and District Engineers

The Minor bridges and other works are finished Satisfactorily except — repairing and improving the Calingula Across the Mookarty Stream and 2 Sluice for branch Channels, which were left on account of insufficient Estimate and for want of funds as remarked in last years report —

2d. Rayacalva — The head Sluice and Minor works are finished Satisfactorily according to the estimate Except Constructing under Sluice in Kalloo and Mookarty = unddoo Calingalas and rebuilding Goodimblapoore bridge which are not done on account of insufficient Estimates but the Cost of Head Sluice is increased by Rupees 624 12 — 10 than the Estimate on account of using brick masonry their being difficulty in procuring burnt Stones as per Estimate, and almost all materials were brought to this and to another work from a great distance to the bank of the river and then about 2 Miles by ferry boats to the works —

3d. Bellacalvah — The Head Sluice and minor works are Completed Satisfactorily within the Estimate —

Raising the main Street of Hurpurhully	89	"	10		A revised Estimate of Rupees 747 has since been sanctioned and the work recommend in May 1857. —
Moonsiffs Court house at Adoney	461	"	1166	Completed in Novr. 1856	
	91				
Do. Do. at Narraindoverhura	1611	"	1449	Do. in the 30th Apl. 1856	
Constructing Unddooculla at Bacherla	50	"	50	Do. Do.	

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B.C. No. 4692

Resolution thereon Resolved that the above Report be forwarded to the Chief Engineer whose attention is requested to Paras 6 and 7.

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No. 197

To,

J. D. Sim Esqre

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

1145

B.C. No. 5058.

From the Acting Collector of Malabar. } Sir

I forwarding a letter this day addressed to the Commissioner Salt and Customs at Bombay, I have the honor to request any instructions the Board may see fit to impose.

My chief local difficulty is in regard to Salt entered for Private trade The same circumstances affect this Salt and similar deficiencies are observable. The Manifest is made out in "measured" Maunds Receive Salt in "weighed" Maunds. In accepting it in this way, as will be gathered from the former correspondence the most ample

margin

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Constructing Wadda cuttie at Kummalabe	80	33	
Do. at Kummalabe	41	"	
Do. at Kurpanikutty	82	"	
Do. at Hera Valiekutty	159	"	
Do. at Nane Villagen	357	"	
Do. additional over lookers in the Cutcherie of Bellary for planing Lines to indicate the time	..	60	
Making and erecting 3 Punkahs over the Gallery in the Church at Bellary	102		
Making and fixing accoutrements Pegs and Shackles for the New Barracks at Ramandroog	225	60	
Removing the Unfinished Cookroom at Ramandroog	"	60	
Repairs			
Tanks &c.		57.30	
Roads & Glands	"	3,187.47	
Revenue general Buildings	"	212	
Do.	"	323	
Judicial	"	12.1	
Public	"	4,609	
Military	"	1,319	
Ecclesiastical	"		

Completed on Decemder 1856
Do. on the 30th April 1858
Do.
Do.

No expenditure this year sanctioned.

Completed on the 31st January 1857
Twice

Do. 30th April 1857

Punkahs, Cables, Plans &c. together with accompaniment Pegs and Brackets have been prepared and partly forwarded to Ramandroog.—

Completed on the 30th April 1857

/ Signed / J. H. Fenton Lieut.
/ A True Copy / District Engineer Bellary
/ Signed / J. F. Fisher, Lieut.
District Engineer of Bellary.
/ True Copy /
/ Signed / [illegible]

margin is left for contingencies, but even when this is done, a further deficiency is manifested I consider that the penalities of the Customs regulations as regards a difference between the Manifest and the Import quantity should be enforced.

Malabar Collectors Office
Ad Circuit Pyolly.
9th December 1857.

(Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector

No 5338
1857.

To
The Commissioner of Customs
Salt and Opium Bombay

27th January & 19th Feby 1857 No 214 & 431

Sir

In continuation of my letters as per margin on the subject of import of Salt I have the honor to draw your attention to the following facts.

2 Bombay Salt is exported on Certificates for the Malabar Coast at a nominal duty which is levied on the quantity which I enter in the returned certificates as is really delivered here I believe that you ask no questions if the deficiency

"deficiency" (which is always carefully provided for you) which I enter does not exceed 10% of the quantity exported.

3 I donot believe that so large a margin is on the average necessary nor can I see on the expediency of such a premium on careless stowage &c. This I cannot act as an incentive to embezzle Salt en route, and to smuggle it into the country along the Coast on the part of the Sailors This apparent deficiency is sold to fishermen who put off to the Pattimars at Sea in many instances.

4 Again, you deliver the Salt by measurement your Parrah containing perhaps 10 to 20% more than a true Indian Maund of 3,200 Rupees weight I on the other hand receive the Salt by weight at 3200 Rs. weight per Indian Maund. the difference now accurately ascertained between your measured, and my accurately weighed, Indian Maund is of course available for embezzlement for I return in your certificate

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the quantity I weighed here and you have entered in the Bo
you fill up the quantity measu
at Bombay. This while a cer
cate might appear at par wh
sent back to you to levy d
upon it an actual embezzlem
to the extent of 18 ℔s or 20 ℔s m
have taken place en route.

But the Tindals a
not content with this perqu
Speculating on the 10 ℔s margin
(which is always displayed
me if I attempt a more strin
rule) allowed by your custom
rules a further deficiency is all
for, and you will observe th
in almost all the recent r
turns a "dificiency" is entered
before we can show a real
deficiency (there ought alway
to be an excess) the whole
difference between these two
quantities arising from the
difference of System of measu
ment must have disappeared

N.B. The difference is 18 ℔s to 20 ℔s on the whole quantity.

N.B. When weighment was first introduced there was generally an excess the Tindals were not aware of the large store they had for embezzlement by the difference between measurement and weighment.—

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The "deficiency" I now enter is in addition to that large quantity.—

It This margin certainly gives a very ample store of salt on Board the craft, for an illicit coasting trade on the part of the Tindals and Sailors without its being the interest of the shippers or their agents on the Coast, to do any thing to expose the roguery going on. The salt costs but a small sum originally and although the embezzlement has taken place, they get their price for a similar number of Candies to that shipped (not for a like quantity of salt) they therefore care little what becomes of the difference With regard to the further dificiency allowed by Government Customs Rules these Merchants have got likewise into the habit of letting the Tindals embezzle the regulated quantity and they accordingly make their arrangement about freight &c. with this understanding In the mean time Government revenue suffers by excess of deliveries at Bombay and

of the Difference

loss

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loss of duty, and by smuggli
and embezzlement to the ext
of about 14 annas per maund
made away with.-

7 The remedy I would s
suggest is to make it the inte
of the shippers to prevent the e
embezzlement by making them p
full duty on the quantity expor
and requiring payment of du
on all deficiencies on Import
into Malabar Individual ca
of hardship may arise, but on
whole things will shortly rig
themselves.-

Malabar Collectors office,
on Circuit Pyally,
9th December 1857.

/Signed/ W. Robinson
Acting Collector

Bd. No. 4674.
Proceedings thereon

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The Board do not c
think it necessary to make any
remarks in the Acting Collector's
letter to the Commissioner of
Customs in Bombay till a reply
has been received.-

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1147

Bd. No. 1,917

From the Actg Superintg Engineer Nor. Circle

Fort Saint George 24th December 1857

No. 5816

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

Under date the 9th December 1857.

Read the following

General Observations made by Lieutenant J Vertue Acting District Engineer Vizagapatam for the Month of October 1857.—

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Para 12 The soil is of the description peculiarly suited for the growth of the cocoanut tree which flourishes best close to the sea in a light sandy soil mingled with decomposed granite and sand stone and containing a portion of saline matter the very description of soil now treated of. I feel convinced on that independent of all other considerations, the planting of this ground with cocoanut trees would be enormously remunerative and I doubt not that should Government feel disinclined themselves to take up the matter, private individuals

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in Vizagapatam severally or a Company of such could be induced to rent a portion of the ground and experimentalise thereon, the ground being of course given to them at a small rent for a few years and I would even recommend it being given gratis as there is an immense difference in the eyes of a native between ground on which rent is payable and that which is therefrom free even though the difference be in reality most ridiculously trifling.—

13 I may mention that should it ever appear desirable to carry out these plans it would be well to begin by employing a Stem dredge on the bar. The deep channel at the entrance of the harbour is very narrow and in consequence when the wind is light and Current strong, ships are apt to strike the ground. It would then be well not only to dredge the bar but also widen this entrance and this done, ships of double tonnage

tonnage at least might cross the bar, and unload their cargoes while the sand and sill removed by the dredge might be carried up in flat boats and aid in filling up the swamp and if it were considered advisable to commence this filling up where the swamp adjoins the town, a channel might be made through it for the passage of the flat boats, a work which might easily be executed during the dry season.—

14 These ideas may seem as speculative in the extreme and probably may never be realized but I trust when time and opportunity offers to put them into a more Comprehensible and tangible form.—

15 I may mention that I am taking steps to have made an accurate survey of the swamp and Backwater with the necessary levels and soundings. When this is plotted and added

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added to a survey of the Town which is also in contemplation the principal features of the foregoing scheme will at once be made clear to one unacquainted with the locality and he will be enabled to form a fair idea of its feasibility and importance

16 Captain Messpen the Master Attendant, has promised to furnish me with a number of data relative to the winds currents, and other matters bearing on the navigation and of course much influencing the nature and extent of any measures adopted to keep clear the bar and until these are received I think it would be premature to enter into any sketch or detail of the works required to effect that object.—

17 The length to which these remarks have extended this paper renders it undesirable for me to prolong it and I shall therefore reserve till next month additional remarks

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remarks I had meant to make on other subject.—

District Engrs Office
Vizagapatam
Camp Waltair
1st November 1857.

/Signed/ J. Vertue Lieut.
Acting Dist. Engineer
Vizagapatam

Resolved to forward for the perusal and opinion of the Board of Revenue transcript of the 12 and subsequent paras of the foregoing remarks of the District Engineer of Vizagapatam for the Month of October 1857 on the improvement of the Town and Port of Vizagapatam.—

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ C. A. Orr Captain
Actg Supdt Engr N. Circle

1147/1148
B. No. 4683
Proceedings thereon

The Board resolve to forward the above Extract for the information of the Collector.—

2 Lieut. Vertues remarks are too general to admit of the Board forming any opinion regarding them. As respects para 12 the Collector will report if there is any special impediment to the formation of

Covenant

cocoanut plantations in the land referred to or any peculiar reason why special encouragement should be afforded for such plantations.

No. 193.

1149

B. No. 1938.

From the Collector of Madras — To J. B. Sim Esqr. Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

I have the honor in reply to circular No. 1333 to state that the orders of Government under date 3d December 1857 No. 1248 directing that separate servants shall be employed in the Stamp Department are already in force in this Office My Stamp Vender holds no other situation on my Establishment.

Madras 10th December 1857

(Signed) B. Cantliffe Collector

1149-50

Order thereon — Ordered to be recorded.

Extract

1157

No. 3830

B. No. 1923

From the Asst Supt Engineer Nor. Circle — To Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Under date the 10th December 1857

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

No. 1261 dated 1st December 1857

Resolved in reply to the foregoing Letter No. 1261 of the 1st December 1857 from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue to tender the Chief Engineer's thanks for the obliging Offer of the Autographic Press, now lying unused in the Office of the Agent at Kurnool and to request that it may be transferred to the District Engineer of Nellore.

(A true Extract)

(Signed) C. A. Orr Captain Acting Supt Engr Nor. Circle

1157-52

B. No. 1670

Order thereon — Ordered to be communicated to the Officiating Agent at Kurnool who will forward the Autographic Press in his Office to the District Engineer of Nellore.

Extract

21828

Fort Saint George 24th December 1857

1153

Bd No 1946

From the Actg Supt Engineer Nth Circle

No 5831

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works under date the 10th December

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Court of Wards.

Enclosures 2
1 Plan
1 Estimate

/A. E. No 1237 dated 26th November

Resolved to return to the Secretary to the Court of Wards the Plan and Estimate received with the foregone Letter No 1237 the 26th Ultimo for constructing Bridges and Vents on the branch Road from Kemedy to Peroy Ganjam District. The Chief Engineer fully approves of the works being carried on and recommends its immediate commencement.

1153.54

Bd No 1682

Order thereon

/A true Extract/

/Signed/ C. A. Orr Captain

Actg Supt Engr Nth Circle

The Court of Wards sanction the Estimate of Rs 2930 for Bridges, Tunnels &c on the road from Kemedy to Peondy at the expense of the Purlah Kemedy Estate.—

2 The work will be proceeded with as urged by the Chief Engineer.—

Exd

21829

Fort St George 24th December 1857.

1155

Bd No 1947.

From the Actg Supt Engineer Northern Circle.

No 5853.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works under date 10th December 1857.

Read the following letter from the Secretary Board of Revenue.

8 Enclosures to be returned.

From the Collector of Coimbatore dated 9th July 1856 No 314

From the Collector of [illegible] dated 15th July 1856 No 119.

From the Sub Collr of Cuddalore dated 31st July 1856 No 211

From the Collector of Tanjore dated 15th July 1856 No 1037.

From the Collector of Trichinopoly dated 1st July 1856 No 169.

(Here Enter 1st December 1857 No 4280)

Resolved to inform the Board of Revenue with reference to their letter No 4280 dated 1st December, that the rain guages, patterns of which were forwarded with the Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer No 5327 dated 19th November 1857 were forwarded from England by the Honorable the Court of Directors, and that the Chief Engineer is not aware that they should be priced, as he has not received any information as to their cost in England, and the glass meters cannot be obtained in Madras.

Resolved also to forward to the Board the letters from the Collectors of Coimbatore, Tanjore, Malabar, Madura, Vizagapatam, Ganjam, Kurnool and Trichinopoly referred to in the letter to which this is a reply.—

/A true Extract/

/Signed/ C. A. Orr Captain

Actg Supt Engr Nth Circle.

The

Fort St. George, 21st December 1857.

(1155-50)

B. No. 4057.
Proceedings thereon

† Board Cons. 4th Dec. 1855 and P. 4th dated 25th October 1855

* Coimbatore
Canara.
Malabar
Madura.
Vizagapatam
Ganjam
Kurnool
Trichinopoly.

The rain guage proposed by Mr. Bayley, and approved of by Government in Cons. Minutes Consultation 17th October 1855 No. 1 was not supplied by the Chief Engineer (as stated in the first of the communications now under consideration to the 9th Districts named in the Margin) "for the following reasons assigned by the Collectors are that they have no confidence in its correct working and 2d by their unwillingness "to disarrange the present system:).

2. The Board were naturally surprised to find this condemnation of the new Guage by 9 Collectors out of 20 but in perusing the original letters from the Collectors of these Districts which accompanied for their inspection by the Chief Engineer with the 2d of the communications at the Head of these Proceedings, they are quite at a loss to understand how he could state they were refused for want of confidence in their correctness. A brief abstract of these letters will be found in the Enclosures to these Proceedings. It appears in the first place that the Collectors never saw the Guages, and in the 2d place not one Collector declines them. Collectors express their inability to give an opinion (on

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Fort St. George, 21st December 1857.

(on what they have not seen) and is actually of request to have them.

Cul Cons 1st Dec. 1857 and D. & W.

3. The Board will next proceed to notice the Rain Guages, sent them for inspection with the Chief Engineers Proceedings of 19th November 1857, being one out of 72 lately received from England. It consist of a large bottle apparently made expressly, with a content of about 150 cubic inches. A funnel fitting into the neck of the bottle, and having a diameter of 4.05 inches or an area of 20 square inches so that a rain fall of one inch would throw 20 cubic inches into the bottle. A measuring glass or cylinder of 10 cubic inches which denotes ½ an inch of rain, and subdivided into 50 each of which denotes 100 inch rain.

4. This is a very neat and correct Guage, but it must be much more expensive than the one proposed by Mr. Bayley, which can be made up for ½ a rupee and in the event of one of the graduated cylinders being broken (a very likely occurrence) it could not be replaced in Madras & would not be at all more correct than one of three

first

* The Chief Engr. in his Proc. of 10th December 1857 informs us the Board he does not know the price. Probably about 5 £. or 24 Rs.

first proposed, not near so simple and easily made. The bottle is larger than the Quart bottle, which last has a capacity of about 58 cubic inches, but experiments shows that a Quart bottle with the Funnel well fixed in will with its Funnel, denote nearly as large a rain fall as the English guage, the Funnel of which does not fit in water tight. Mr. Bayley's guage with its Funnel full, denotes, 6 inches fall of rain. The english reservoir of 150 cubic inches shews 7½ inches of rain fall. The graduated measure would also be more puzzling to native than the little bottle used with the old guage, and denoting $\frac{1}{10}^{th}$ inch of rain fall. The Board therefore are of opinion that the rain guage proposed by Mr. Bayley is the best to be adopted for use by Native subordinates, and as correct as the other. They see little or no advantage in the Jacket proposed to be placed over it in the Chief Engineer's letter of 25th September 1835 as in Malabar and Canara where only a fall of rain of above 6 inches in 12 hours can be expected, it will be necessary to use a different and

† Referred to in Extract Minutes of Consultation 17th October 1838.

and glazed Earthern wine vessel would be best and cheapest. Its shape does not matter, as long as it can be easily poured from. The tin Jacket raises the price from 8 annas to 2 Rupees and considering how many Guages may be required the expense seems needless.

5 In conclusion the Board see no objection to obtain the permission of Government to supply the Collectors with Rain guages on the construction they approve of and which is so simple that it will not require to be made under direction of the Chief Engineer.

6 The English Rain gauge is herewith returned.

Appendix.

Coimbatore. In the absence of the new pattern of Rain gauge referred to it is dubious forming correct Judgement. Requests to be furnished with a new one that it may be tried.

Canara. Thinks the guage will not answer unless a larger reservoir than a quart bottle is used but has failed in his attempts to procure a vessel of the required size having the obvious advantage of a bottle. They have had as much as 9 inches in 24 hours.

Malabar. The Jar at present used, being glazed, answers very well as a receptacle, but no objection to try the new one if one be sent.

Madura Requests to be supplied with the new Guages, in

Vizagapatam Substitution of the patterns now in use.

Ganjam. Rain guages now in use are too complicated, but does not know if the new one is more simple.—

Kurnool. As the new Guage is shewn to be correct it should at once be introduced, being more simple and more easily understood.

Trichinopoly Considers the proposed guage desirable as the present pattern is not to be depended upon.

Not prepared to offer an opinion on the subject

The present guages seem to answer the end required.— J.

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No. 189.

To,

J. B. Saint Esqr.

Acting Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

1157

B. No. 5008

From the Asst. Collector

of Tanjore

Sir,

Adverting to the 2nd paragraph of the Boards Circular dated the 16th Ultimo No. 89

I have the honor to forward herewith the Summary Statement No. 15 with additional Summary exhibiting the Survey or uninhabited Villages and requests that it may be substituted for the one already sent with the Settlement Report for Fasly 1265 lately submitted.

Tanjore

Collector's Office,

Vellum 12th December

1857.

} Signed W. H. Phillips

Acting Collector

1157-58

Order thereon

Ordered to be recorded.

To

21831 Fort St. George, 22nd December 1857.

To,

The Secretary to the

Revenue Board.

Fort St. George.

1159

B. No. 4975

From Messrs. Arbuthnot

& Co.

Madras.

12th December 1857.

Sir,

We have the honor to enclose a letter addressed to us by Colonel R. Wall, relative to packages imported by him containing Foreign Books, regarding which we understand a reference has been made to the Board by the Collector of Sea Customs.

} Signed Arbuthnot & Co.

Enclosure No. 1.

Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co.

Madras.

Gentlemen.

With respect to the Packet of Foreign Books addressed to me and which you inform me it is contemplated to confiscate, I beg you will do me the favor to submit the following circumstances for the consideration of the proper authorities.

The Books are solely for my own use, and were procured for me by a Brother Officer who is a Native of Switzerland - when I commissioned them I was not at all aware that their importation was prohibited, having some years since purchased Scotts and Marryatts Novels, at Messrs. Thacker & Co. Calcutta, both of Foreign publication. These Books were forwarded by my friends to accompany me to London

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but were left in the Custom House at Aleccandria I did not know that they were liable to any other penalty than additional duty under these circumstances I trust that I may be permitted to receive them, paying any additional duty the authorities may be pleased to impose, in consequence of their being published abroad.

Madras 11th December 1857.

(Signed) R. Hall.
Colonel 19th Regiment.

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

1159-60

To,
Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co.

B/- No. 1693.

Gentlemen.

In reply to your letter dated 12th Instant I am directed by the Board of Revenue to inform you that the Collector of Sea Customs has been instructed to pass the Foreign Books imported by Colonel Hall in the usual manner.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
24th December 1857.

(Signed) L. B. Sim.
Acting Secretary.

No. 1338.

1161

To,
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

B/- No. 5028.

From the Supt. of Stationery.

Sir,

Fort St. George.

In reply to your letter No. 5852 of the 12th

Instant, I have the honor to state, that in consequence of the Court of Directors having failed to send out this year the usual supply of Stationery I am at present unable to furnish you with the very large quantity 60 Reams of Foolscap paper, for which you have applied, nor am I able to supply the 15 Reams due on your Indent for 1858, an application, however, has been made to the Commissary General to advertise for Tenders in the Local Market for such articles of Stationery as are most needed, and if immediately we have any Foolscap papers available for issue, I will apprize you of the circumstance.

Fort St. George
Stationery Office,
11th December 1857.

(Signed) R. Hamond Hall.
Print. to Govt. of Ordnance.
and Supt. of Stationery

Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.

1161-62

To,
The Acting Secretary to
Government.

B/- No. 1696

To the Ag. Secretary to
Government Revenue
Department

Sir,

In your official Memo. dated 12th

21834 Fort St. George, 24th December 1857.

Ref. 26 June 1857.

12th June 1857. it was suggested that printed blank forms should be furnished to all Collectors from the Board's Office the Board in consequence applied to the Superintendent of Stationery to supply them with 60 Reams of Foolscap paper which they estimated would be required for printing these forms. The Superintendent however states that the Honorable Court of Directors have failed to send out the usual supply of Stationery and he is unable to furnish them with this paper I am therefore directed to request that you will obtain the sanction of Government for the Board's purchasing 60 Reams for the purpose above stated.—

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
24th December 1857

/ Signed / S. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

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No 201

To

S. D. Sim Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

1163
Bd. No 5174
From the Acting Collector of Malabar

Sir.

I have the honor to forward translate of a Plaint in a Suit filed against me in the Principal Sudr ameens Court of Tillicherry relative to a Cardamom Hill in the Terry of Karrah of the Vedanarasoor Amshom of the Wyd-naad Talook.—

It is brought to recover possession of a Hill named Vengathory which under the order of the Collector was resumed in 1854 as being public land belonging to the Corongalar range of Hills which escheated in 1806 as the property of the Cottayam Rajah family— The Plaintiff who had been in possession for many years remonstrated in December 1854 against the resumption on the ground that he held Sunnud of Purchase of a sale by Decree of Provincial Court western Division

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dated 10th August/22

Fort Saint George 24th December 1857.

Division the Sunnud bearing signature of the late Principal Collector Mr James Vaughan at whose instance the Hill was sold The Sunnud in question is in the name of Ananee Venkata Sooben Putter the person from whom in the same year this Plaintiff purchased this and other Hills and at the same time The question was it appears referred to the Tahsildar (no longer employed as Tahsildar) who reported the the Hill so resumed belonged to the Cu-
ron gate Hill range and Mr Conolly
x april 17th 1855 therefore refused to release the Hill and refused the value of the Cardamam.

3. The suit is brought for recovery of it and for mesne profits - Total Rs 450

4. I have carefully examined the matter and personally inspected the Hill ranges
+ Hence delay in submitting this report. in question with all the Hill people of the neighbourhood & I have compared the locality with the title deeds filed by the Plaintiff and I am satisfied that I have grounds to go to the defence of the suit upon

5 It appears that in 1822 the property

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property of the Cardamom Farm Contractors surety one Kadoor Cannarese Kanaal was sold at the suit of the then Principal Collector Mr James Vaughan under Decree of the Provincial Court western Division and amongst other properties the Vongathory Cardamom Hill that now under dispute was put up to auction and sold The Sunnud signed by the Principal Collector and drawn in the name of the then purchaser a Ruben Putter describes the whole accurately within four Boundaries which are easily identified and were pointed out to me The Hill was sold in 1822 for 80 Rupees and was by the Purchaser transferred within two months afterwards to the mother of Plaintiff with two other Hills sold likewise at that time and under the same circumstances. The three were sold for 500 Rupees from that time 1822 till within the last three years the Plaintiff had held and used the Hill There are about 140 Cardamom Plantations yielding on it which were kept up by him some

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Fort Saint George 24th December 1857

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x April 17th 1855

* Hence delay in submitting this report.

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[illegible]

of these I have examinined. They were all peremptorily resumed and we have collected from them Cardamams but to a very different account from what was the case when in private hands.—

6 The identily of the Hill is I think clearly made out the undisturbed occupancy and usufruct for a period of 32 years is undisputed. Both points must be proved if the case proceed to Judicial enquiry and lastly it was sold by the Principal Collector and bought at Public Outcry as the unquestioned fee simple property of the Revenue Defaulter. The Sunnud under Mr Vaughans signature describes it as the Jemma of the Kadoor Kamal.

7. Our ground for summary resumption was that the Hill is a spur of the Corangala range which belonged to the Cottayam Rajah and therefore escheated should have in 1806. The Government is aware how carelessly and ineffectually the escheat of Wynaad was carried out and

and hence the difficulties now surrounding every case.—

8. It is probable the Kadoor Kamal was not the ancient Jemmy of that part of the country though he had considerable property there. The probability is rather that he was a mere mortgagee in possession under the Cottayam Rajah before Wynaad became British. When the Rajahs property escheated he of course set up as Jemmy or fee simple proprietor of the land he happened to hold as many others did. However this may be it could not now be established. No account of these Hills was taken in 1806 or subsequently and when Kamals property was sold at the suit of the Collector in 1822 this Hill with others around it was sold out right as the Jemm property of the Kadoor Kamal and purchased

purchased as such - The proper opportunity for recovering it was therefore irreparably lost and the matter must be given up

9 I therefore request the orders of Government to compromise the case as best can - I regret to say that the accounts do not show accurately the quantity of Cardamums taken from this Hill during the years it has been under attachment but I have little doubt that if allowed to release the Hill the matter may be compromised at a more reasonable sum than that sued for.

All the Circar Hills are returned together.

10 This is a case in point of the exceeding difficulty that surrounds Wynaad resumption cases and I fear that the complications will arise out of the Cornegala resumption - The Ryots hold all sorts of titles which we cannot disprove and half a Century of occupancy is hard to get over however feeble the title. —

Malabar Collectors Office on Circuit Co-roth in Wynaad 18th December 1857 } Signed W. Robinson Asst Collr

E. C. No 1

To

The Principal Sudr Ameens Court of Sollichorry. —

Plaint of Codangot a Hessian Ambacandy Cooringarth Outchem inhabitant of Madapooram Tarah in Coomangad Unsham of Kartenaad Talook against W. Robinson Esqr Asst Collr of Malabar as follows: —

1 When the Vengat-horry Cardamum Hill in the yeddanarasoor Unsham Terrgot Deshom of the Wynaad Talook was sold according to Regulation for the debt due to the Sircar by the former Jenmy Kadoor Kamal the Jemm title and occupation were purchased by the deceased Anavee Venkata Suben Putter on the 2nd Toolam 997 at public outcry These right were again purchased by my deceased mother Konheerum and descended to me in succession For 33 years my mother and I occupied without challenge the land gathered the Cardamum & enjoyed it under the Circar While this was the case in 1030 the Wynaad Tahsildar began forcibly to collect the Cardamoms and

and I represented the case by Urzee at the Talook
Cutcherry and in the Huzzoor till at length
an order was passed on the 27th October 1857
to the effect that the Hill in question formed
part of Peryot Codongalla Hill that therefore
the Cardamoms were collected and that I must estab-
blish my right by Civil Suit.

II The Hill in question does not form
part of the Escheat and were it so the Sunnud
itself establishes the fact that the Circar
itself sold the Land and confirmed the
Jenm title and admitted an undisputed oc-
cupation of 33 years not only so the Circar
Collected Revenue up to the present year
on the shops Erected for the Collection of the
Cardamoms. The Court will be convinced
from the above circumstances as well as
by deputing an Ameen to inspect the
Hill in question that the steps taken and
orders issued by the Circar in this matter
were not just.

III As the Circar collects 10 Maunds of Cardamoms
yearly from this Hill which for 3 years from 1251

to 1032 would amount to 30 Maunds and realizing
at the rate of 60 Rupees ℔ Candy 900 Rupees I pray
that after deducting there from a moiety viz.
Rupees 450 being the Government right
on the Cardamom the balance due to me
Rupees 450 – the interest upon which up to
this date I have relinquished, but demand
it from henceforth may be caused
to be paid to me and the
interference on the part of
the Circar on my aforesaid
Vengatpuzy Cardamom Hill the
Jenm value of which amounts
to 80 Rupees and the boundary
and extent as hereunder as
specified, may be prevented and
I be permitted to enjoy the same
according to my right thereon and
further that the Costs may be paid to me

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No	Name of the Hill	Extent in Carpenters Rules: From East to West	From North to South	Bounded on the: East	South	West	North
1	Cardamom Hill denominated Vengotahory	1600	2400	By the Western side of Kayakallom Karra cumbaculy	By the Northern sides of the Cannanbara Todoo	By the Eastern side of the Pannaru Coottum Hill	By the Southern side of the Sundaside Hill

To Stamp Cadjan Documents viz^t the sunnud of the aforesaid Hill dated 27th Kar Kidaja in 997 and Transfer Deed dated 1st Koombham 997 are herewith submitted.

Signature

/True Copy/

Dated 9th Julam 1033.

/Signed/ W. Robinson

Acting Collector

Resolved

21845 Fort Saint George 24th December 1857.

Bd. No. 1691

Resolution thereon. 1163-64

Resolved that the above letter be laid before Government with the Boards recommendation that the Acting Collector may be authorised to compromise the Suit on the most advantageous terms he can obtain.—

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The Cardamum Hill sued for was sold in 1822 under a decree of the Principal Court at the instance of the then Collector as part of the property of the Cardamum Contractors Security. It was purchased by one Suten Putter who received a "Sunnud" signed by the Collector and sold it shortly afterwards to Plaintiffs brother. In 1854 Mr Conolly on the report of the then Talsildar attached it as part of the Cottayan family's escheated property and the present suit is brought to recover the Hill and its mesne profits valued at Rupees 450.—

The Board concur with

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with the Acting Collector that the Plaintiffs lengthened enjoyment of the Hill and the Summud under the Signature of the Collector who caused its sale in the first instance render it impossible to resist the claim however doubtful the title of the original holder may now appear. There is therefore no alternative but to compromise the matter.

4. The actual profits of the Hill are not ascertainable but the Plaintiff has already mained Interest and will doubtless agree to to receive as Compensation as the Acting Collector may Consider equitable.

5 Mr Robinson has omitted to mention when the time for filing an answer will expire.

To

21847 Fort St. George 24th December 1857.

No 202.

To

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

1165

Bd No 5781.

From the Collector of Malabar.

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to the letter of Mr Clarke dated 14th July 1856 to submit with translate of the Decree of the Moosfy Sudr Ameen, the Police Ameens appeal in O.S. No 20 of 1856 on the file of the Moosfy Sudr Ameens Court.

2. The Government will recollect that this is a Decree passed in one of two Suits brought against two Public Officers of the Tirooroor by Rajahs of the Zamorin family for defamation in having in certain letters addressed to the Karyastins of these Rajahs made use of the word "Rajah" ("King") and for having 2nd in allusion of the death of one of their race further used the expression "Appayamoann" came to ill luck or calamity". The Rajahs contend that as belonging by caste to the lowest races of Soodras it was the duty of these officers to have used the word "Tamburan" (self Lord) "my Lord" in writing of the Rajah in the letter in question and 2nd in alluding to the deceased to have used the expression "Tepatta"

fallen

* The expression is very usual in Malabar and is that rather of a slave to his owner it is invariably used by the Cherumar.

"fallen into fire" in preference to the one objected to as above.

3. The term Rajah is certainly regal enough but Tambooran, Brahmins is more servile and as common Europeans Officers Rajahs among themselves &c. &c. use the former the lower classes especially in servile position in life use the latter "Tipattoo" is the usual expression in writing of the death of a Rajah "Appayen ram" is an ordinary Hindoo honorific Synonyme for death.

4. I am of opinion that these slight distinctions and their deference to the old Rajas may be kept up and that there can be no discredit to a Public servant in conforming to the usages of the Society to which he belongs and that these Rajahs refused the letters complained of & forwarded them to the Collector with a complaint on this subject I dare say it would have been rectified: at all events as regards this expression in allusion to the decease of the Rajah for great care has always been observed in this office on this point lest the Rajahs should

They were addressed on official matters.

the matter into their own hands.

5. The fact I believe to be the following caste feeling runs very high — indeed in Malabar distinctions uncared of elsewhere in regard to ceremonial taint "tendra" are here maintained and the social advance and emancipation of a low caste man has been considered more or less derogatory to the whole of the upper class of Hindoos. In the mean time a very intelligent well instructed able and honest class of Teer has for several years been coming forward and their promotion and present position is looked on with great jealousy by Brahmins and Nayers who formerly were alone employed in the higher grades of the Public Service almost to the exclusion of all others. — The interminature has had a most beneficial effect on the character of the Public Service but is looked on unfavorably by envious exclusionists and I fear that out of jealous feeling as much of

others

others as of themselves these Rajahs have been instigated to prefer and to prosecute these Civil Suits. The struggle has been carried on a very rancorous caste spirit.

6. It was clearly their duty to have applied to the Official superior of these subordinates and eventually to higher authority before proceeding to the harrassing expedient of Civil process. This done, a principle involved and the Suit had to be defended.

7. Without going over the grounds of the Moofty's decision in which he has arrived at a dismissal of the claim for damages I consider that no title in Law to a peculiar style of address can be sued for. But it appears that he had decreed cost against the Ameen and I think the claim being dismissed the cost ought to have been awarded against the party Cost especially as no consideration was due to the Plaintiff who should have sought redress in such a matter at the hands of the subordinate Official superior and not sued till disappointed in obtaining it.

Malabar, Collectors Office at Cacicut Cerothi, 17th Decr 1857

Signed W. Robinson
Acting Collector.

P.S. The period of appeal expires on the 24th Instant but the Ameen has moved the Court for a respite of 6 weeks.

Some days delay occured before the Copy of the Decree was furnished by the Court and it had to be transmitted to the party to prepare the appeal.

Decree of the Moofty Sudr Ameen, of Calicut.

Plaintiff

Manavikram Moo. narpad Rajah of Calicut, and on his demise his successor, the present Rajah, admitted as Supplemental Plaintiff, by Vakeels.
1 Syed Latiff,
2 Rasmen Menon.

Defendant.

Mangada Vittil Canaren, by Vakeel Amboo Podwall.

This action was brought on the 25th June 1856 for the recovery of Rupees 1500 from the Defendant, as a reparation for the disgrace resulting to the Plaintiff from a letter written by the Defendant, the Police Ameen of Calicut, to the address of the Koriasten or Agent of the Tamorin Pooloogom Palace on the 21st May 1856, in reference to the firing kept up during

the

the performance of the "Anta-
vaiela" ceremony, attending the instal-
lation of the Plaintiff Tamboorun
into the rank of the late Moonarpat
Tamboorans, in which letter the
Defendant used the terms "Rajavoo-
avergal" and "Avayom Vargya" in-
stead of "Moonarpat Tamboo-ran
avergal" and "Thepeddoogah," as he
ought to have done these expres-
sions, being not only such as can-
not be used by Teirs, the Defendants
Caste-men, but contrary to the usage
of this Country, and derogatory to the
Sarcovom or dignity of the Plaintiff
Tamboorans, as well as Junior Tam-
boorans.

2 Defendants Vakeel, in answer
admits the writing, by the Defendant of
the letter adverted to in the Plaint,
but states, that it is a proper
one - that it was not written to
the Plaintiff Rajah, but to
another individual - that the
word

two words alleged to be disgraceful
were not used in reference to the
Plaintiff Rajah that the terms
"Rajavoo avergal" and "Avayom"
are honorific ones, that such terms
are used to the Rajahs that previous
to the date of the letter mentioned in
the Plaint, the Defendant himself
and such of his Caste-men as were
his predecessors in Office, as well
as Hindoo and Mussulman Government
Officers, both Police and Revenue, had,
on several occasions made use
of these terms in their official
communications, in alluding to
Rajahs like the Plaintiff, and to
their death that the letter in question
was drawn out by a Nair Moonshy
and that Barbers and Washer-
men are styled "Tamboorans" by
the Teirs of South Malabar.

3. Plaintiff's Vakeel, in
reply, states that this as-
sertion made in
the

the 5th para. of the answer, to make it appears that the letter in question was written to another party, is a mere evasion that as it is not usual to address any of the Tamboorans of the Plaintiff's family direct, the practice is to send letters to the address of their Kariastens or Agents, and that it was in accordance with this practice, that the letter in question was addressed. He adds other circumstances to support the Plaintiff's

4. Defendant's Vakeel filed a rejoinder.

The parties were directed to prove the following points, viz.

The Plaintiff's Vakeel to prove by the public records of this Zillah, and the orders of the Sudr Udalut, dated 1st July and 12th September 1853. that the Plaintiff Rajah has sustained loss of honor by the terms used in the letter mentioned in the Plaint

and reply, which was addressed by the Calicut Police Ameen to the Kariasten of the Zamorin Raja, regarding the deceased Rajah. And that the employment by Tiers and other caste people as well as public servants, in reference to the Rajas of this Country. of the terms "Rajah avergul" and "Avayom Varrigah," which have been used (by the Defendant) instead of "Tamboorau" and "Thippedaroogah," is opposed to local usages. The Plaintiffs' Vakeel was further directed to file Copies of the records and orders abovementioned.

Defendant was directed to prove the following points.-

That the terms "Rajavoo" and "Avayonvanoo" are, as stated in the Defendants answer, honorific to the Rajas of this Country. that such terms are used to the Rajas - that the Defendant had, on several occasions, previous to the date of the letter in question, made use of the above terms to the Rajas of this place that the Tiers who previously held the

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the Office of the Police Ameen, as well as Hindoo, & Mussalman, and other Public Officers, both Police and Revenue, have made use of such terms; that the expressions contained in the letter above & adverted to, were used by the Nair Moonshy & with reference to precedents, and that Barbers and Washermen are styled Tamburans by the Tiers of South Malabar. The Defendant & was further directed to prove, by Official Docu= ments as well as Witnesses, the real import of the words "Avayom" and "Tamburan."

Plaintiffs Vakeel filed a list of 13 Witnesses and 20 documents described here= under. Defendants Vakeel filed a list of 16 Witnesses and 38 documents. The Plaintiffs Witnesses 1 Cannanoor Ookandan Oony Nair 3 Modilayath Krishna Menon 6 Achai= yath Chapa Menon, and 8 Palakoonath Oony Chatan alias Tulichoony Nair together with the Witness summoned by the Court & Peroombalavil

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Peroombalavil Panen Menon, Gomastah in the & Police Ameens Cutcherry as well as the Defendant, were examined. The remaining Witnesses on behalf of the Plaintiff, and the Witnesses for the Defend= ant, were dispensed with by the Vakeels.

Plaintiffs documents.

N. B. The documents bearing these marks are Copies of diaries of the Sudr Udalut dated & 1st July and 12th September 1853, obtained on & Stampt Paper. These were filed to prove & that "Tamburan" is the term that should be used and not "Raja".

C. D. Copies of Decrees No. 212 of 1854 on the Shernaad Moonsiffs file, and & No. 104 of 1855 on the Cutcherry Moonsiffs file. to prove that it is the practice, with the & public servants to use the term "Tamburan".

E. Copy on Stampt Paper of the late Mr. Conolly's letter dated 8th September 1841 sent to a Judge of the late Zillah & Court

Court with one from the Zamorin Rajah-

T. Copy, on Stampt Paper of the above &c
Gentlemans letter dated 11th September 1841.
to the Zamorin Rajah.

G. D. on Letto of a Diary from the
Zillah Court dated 16th February 1842. to
prove that "Tamboran" is the term that &c
should be used by the Circar Officers &c
according to the usage of their respective &c
Castes.-

H. J. Are letters written by the Defend
=ant to the Karaisten of the Zamorin Rajah
on the 3d and 17th July 1855 to prove that &c
the letter in question was not a proper one
and that the Defendant changes his &c
style of writing as occasion serves-

J.

J. K. L. M. N. O. P. 2. These are letters
written by the Tahsildars and Police Ameens, who
are Government Officers, to the Karaistans of the
Tamboran dated 5th 19th Shingom August 1020, 1835, 3d 14th Magarom February &c
1026 1857 1st 12th Magarom January 1020, 1845, 22d 3d Medom May 1021 1846 28th 11th &c
Shingom September 1021 1846 6th 17th Magarom January 1021 1846 15th November 1833
and 20th July 1839. to prove that "Tamboran" is the
usual term used-

R. Copy obtained, on Stampt Paper,
from the Huzzoor Cutcherry, of an order issued &c
by the former Collector of Malabar, Mr &c
J. Vaughan, on the 3d February 1824, to the &c
Calicut Tahsildar. to prove that public &c
Officers cannot, on the strength of their &c
Official authority address (any one) in a &c
style contrary to the established usage of the
Country.-

S. Letter written by the Calicut Tah:
=sildar to the Karaisten of the Plaintiff &c
Tamboorans' Kavilagom on the 3d February
1848, to prove that "Tamboran" is the usual &c
term

term employed-

5. Letter written by the Defendant to the Kariasten of the Samoodry Kovilagom on the 21st May 1856- the particulars of which are given in the Plaint-

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No. 1 Copy of an Order issued from the Police Ameens' Cutcherry to the Cariasten of the Poodia Kovilagom Valia or Senior Raja, on the 2d February 1856.-

No. 2. Letter sent from the Police Ameens' Cutcherry on the 7th March 1856, to the Kariasten of the Padinhare Kovilagom to prove that it is customary to use the term "Raja."-

No. 3. Report forwarded by the Kariasten of the Padinhare Kovilagom on the 30th 11th Koombhom (March) 1031 (1856) to the Calicut Police Ameens' Cutcherry-

No. 4 Report forwarded by the Kariasten of the Poodia Kovilagom on the 23d Magarom 1030 to ditto ditto ditto-

No. 5

Nos. 5. 6. 7. 8. Copies on Stampt Paper of orders issued from the Calicut Talook Cutcherry to the Beypoor Adighary on the 17th February and 12th June 1835, 10th November 1847 and 26th May 1838, to prove the existence of the practice, with the public servants, of using the term "Raja."-

Nos. 9- 10- 11- 12- 13- 14- 15- 16. Official communications addressed by the Tahsildars of Ernad, Cooroombeenad Nedinganaad and Cherikul, on the 12th and 23d June and 11th July 1842. 14th August 1845, 15th June 1846 and 25th May 1847, to the Calicut Talook Cutcherry. and the Yadast sent by the Huzzoor Assistant Moonshy to the aforesaid Talook Cutcherry on the 2d June 1847 to prove the same point-

Nos. 17 and 18. Letters written by the Tahsildars of Betutnaad and Shernaad to the Calicut Talook Cutcherry

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the practice with the Public Servants of using the term "Raja."

No. 32 Letter from the Bag-zoor Head Moonshy to the Police Ameen's Cutcherry dated 3d April 1855 to prove ditto.

No. 33 Letter from the Koot-maad Talook Cutcherry to the Calicut Police Ameen's Cutcherry dated 4th March 1856 to prove ditto.

No. 34. Yadast from the Boozoor Treasury Head Gomastah to Do. Do. dated the 6th August 1856 to prove ditto.

No. 35-36-37-38 Copies on Stampt Paper, of orders sent from the Calicut Police Ameen's Cutcherry to the Bagzoor Ashom Adigharry on the 16th March and 4th May 1855, and to the Pamagara Ashom Adigharry on the 10th July 1855. and also to the Kariasten of the Poodia Ilowiga-lom on the 4th February 1856 to prove the existence of the

the practice with the Public Servants of using the term "Raja."

Judgment.

5. Upon a careful perusal of the records in this case the Court does not find the Plaintiff Rajah's claim for damages of character to be admissible.

6. It is clear by the documents A and B. that the practice of the Tiers of this place, while alluding to the Raja in their pleadings filed in the Court of writing "Rajahoo. Anergul" instead of "Tamboorah" is very irregular and contrary to the usage of the country.

7. It is also clear, by the documents C and D. that the Moonsiffs of the Nair caste have, in reference to the Rajas of this place, been using the word. "Tambaran" in their Decrees and by document by that an order was issued by the Civil Court to

the Civil Court to the District Moonsiffs warning them against using the term "Rajaloo anergul" to the Rajahs of this Zillah. It is further shown, by documents E and F. that the Collector addressed a letter to the Zillah Court upon an applic-ation from the Zamarin Raja for the observance of due respect to the Rajahs in Notices and other proces-ses issued to them.

8. It is further evident by documents A. and I that this very Defendant. the Police Ameen. in his letters to the Pariastam of the Zamarin Raja used the words "Samoodry Kovilagom."

9. It is proved by documents J. K. L. M. N. O. P. 2. and S. that the Nair Taksildars have used the term "Tamboran" to the Rajahs of this Place

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10. The document R shews that the Collector warned the Thasildars of this Zillah, that in their orders to the Adigharies. the mode of addressing should be in accordance with the usage of the country.

11. It appears by the document T. the cause of this action. that the Defendant used the expressions "Avagon-vanah Rajavoo" in reference to the de-ceased Moonarpad Raja.

12. It is usual with European Public Officers. as well as. Hindoostany Officers who are not people of this place, - and also with the Brahmins of all countries to say "Rajah vo" when calling, or writing to, the Rajas of this place - but it is quite contrary to the usage of the country for the people of all other castes in Calicut when calling, or writing to, the Rajas of this place, to style them "Rajavoo" instead of "Tamboran," as is proved by the

evidence

evidence of the 1st 3rd 6th and 8th Witnesses for the Plaintiffs - The 3 latter Witnesses have further stated, that the terms "Rajah vo" - and "Avagom" used towards the Rajas. by persons of other castes above adverted to, when calling or writing to them, do not, further than being derogatory to them involve loss of property and that such expressions used in reference to deceased Rajas. convey no disgrace to them The 6th and 8th Witnesses have stated that the terms "Rajahoo" and "Avagum" are rather honorific than disgraceful -

13. As contended by the Plaintiff Raja it has been sufficiently proved by documentary evidence on his side, that tho' the words "Rajah" and "Avagom" are honorific terms, which can be used to the Rajas. yet the employment of these terms - both in calling and writing - by the Nairs, Tiers, and other caste people, is greatly at variance with the usage of the country - The Court is therefore convinced

convinced that the Nairs, Tiers, who make use of such expressions in reference to the Rajas, contrary to local usage, are uncivil and unworthy men - Beyond this, the court is not of opinion, that such terms tend to lessen the honor of the Rajas - The Court considers that no blame can be attached to any party who has fortuitously used the expressions in question, in reference to a deceased Raja - and it does not further appear, from the evidence on the part of the Plaintiff that loss of property would be sustained by such expressions, because the honor of the Raja is so great, that it cannot be equalled, in value, even by lacs and lacs of Rupees - It is therefore very unreasonable and a matter of surprize, that the use of the aforesaid derogatory terms, can tend to lessen that honor, or that the recovery

recovery of the paltry sum of 1,500 Rupees sued for, which is most inadequate to answer as a reparation for damage of character.. can redeem it from the disgrace alleged as above..

14. Not one of the documents filed by Plaintiff affords proof that the use of the aforesaid terms in reference to a deceased Raja would be derogatory to the succeeding Rajas. It does not moreover appear by the said documents that any Tasheed was issued by the Collector to the Tahsildar

Tahsildars and Police Officers warning them against using in their Official communications addressed to the Rajahs the term "Rajahvo" instead of "Tamboorau" nor does it appear that any proclamation was issued by the present authorities, making it incumbent upon every person in this country to use the latter term. If the Plaintiff Rajah considered himself disgraced, as alleged in the plaint it was possible for him in his dignity as a Rajah, to have addressed a letter to the Collector, in accordance with the tenor of the documents E. and F. with the view of deterring Tahsildars and other Police authorities, &c. of the Nair and Teer caste from acting uncivilly (towards him) as aforesaid. But when it is considered that instead of doing so, he has had recourse to a civil action for damages of character, it appears to the Court that the Plaintiff's only object is to annoy the defendant, out of a grudge he owes him in consequence of his having prevented (certain Ceremony) as mentioned in the 9th Para of his answer.-

Defendant

15. Defendant states in his deposition that it was only a year previous to the writing of the letter (J) the cause of action, and which he admits in his answer, that he assumed charge of the Calicut Police Ameenship - that he was not in the least aware whether or not it was customary to use the above terms towards the Rajahs of Calicut that the letter was written by a Nair Gomastah of his Cutcherry, and as usual he signed and sent it to the Karistan of the Zamorin Rajah, that he was not informed of the above objection by the Gomastah - that previous to his being appointed Police Ameen of Calicut he was a Vakeel in the Civil Court of Tellicherry, and consequently had no experience in Revenue and Police business, and that after the suit in question was filed, he made a reference to past records, and thinks that the above terms can be used.

16. The Court has called and examined the said Gomastah of the Police Ameen, and he has corroborated the statement of the Defendant, stating that the expressions in the letter were used by him after a reference to the former records, and without the order or Consent of the Police Ameen.

17. It is evidently by the documents Nos. 1 to 38 filed by Defendant, that in the letters and orders from the Collector and other Police authorities, &c. to the Rajahs of this Country sent to the address of their Karistans, and in the letters from, and to, the Tahsildars Police Officers and Adigharies, as well as in the Tahseeds sent from the Huzzoor to the Tahsildars the terms "Rajah" and "Rances" have been used and that the persons who have employed those terms are Brahmins Mudliar-men, Nairs and Tiers. Such being the case, it does not in any way appear by the records in this suit that the Defendant's aim was to disgrace the Plaintiff Rajah, or that he used the above terms in the aforesaid letter, with that intention, or that any reason existed for him to do so. the Counsel which led to this action being simply an inadvertence on

on the part of the Defendant in not paying attention to the words in the letter and trusting to the writing of the Gomastah in his Cutcherry.

18 It is enjoined in the Circular Order of the Sudr Adalut dated 7th November 1809. that a suit for damages of Character should be struck off the Court's file in the event of the death of the Plaintiff such being the case, it has not been established that the deceased Rajah or the Plaintiff Raja has sustained loss of honor by the aforesaid terms which from the neglect of the Gomastah of the Defendant Police Ameen were used in reference to the deceased Manarpad Rajah in the letter in question at variance with the usage of the Country nor is it at all reasonable to hold the aforesaid Defendant responsible for damages of character. Further more the 3d - 6th and 8th Witnesses for the Plaintiff have themselves stated, that no damage of Character whatever has been sustained by the use of the above terms in reference to the deceased Rajah

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Rajah. The 4th Witness for the Plaintiff has not been examined as his examination was not deemed necessary.-

19. Under all the foregoing circumstances, the Court dismisses the suit with Costs and decrees that the Defendant do bear his own Costs.

Costs	Rs.	a.	P.
Stamp value of Plaint	50	"	"
Vakeel Fees	75	"	"
Stamp value of Plaint	9	12	"
Batta to Peons	7	8	"
Total Rupees	142	4	"
Value of Stamp on the part of Defendant	23	4	"
Vakeel Fees	75	"	"
Batta to Peons	3	"	"
Total Rupees	101	4	"

Dated 29th September 1857.

(True translation)

(Signed) W. Robinson
Acting Collector

Fort St. George 24th December 1857.

Enc: No. 2.

To,
The Civil Court
Zillah Calicut.

The Appeal Petition of
Mangadam Vittil Canaren.
Police Ameen of Calicut.

Dissatisfied with the Decree passed by the Moofty Sudr Ameen on the 29th September last, dismissing the suit filed against me by the 3d Rajah of Calicut, under No. 20 of 1856 for 1500 Rupees on account of damage of Character and adjudging my costs amounting to Rupees 101-4-" to be borne by me, I beg to prefer an appeal with the view of my Costs being adjudged to be borne by the Plaintiff the Rajah.-

1- The grounds of the action must be at once apparent from the circumstance of the Plaintiff has based the original suit on the ground that in alluding to a certain deceased Rajah in my Official letters in terms which I submit are in no way disrespectable, the Plaintiff a surviving Rajah, considers his character to have suffered damage-

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The Suit is of a personal nature and not substantiable at Law at all, and the Plaintiff should have been non-suited without further proceedings. The Plaintiff the Rajah did not sustain any loss of money or character by the use of the term to which exception has been taken as shown throughout the Decree of the Lower Court.-

2. The Court has been satisfied as shewn in the latter part of the 10th para of the Original Decree that the Rajah has been actuated by an ill feeling towards me in consequence of my having in the discharge of the duties connected with my Office acted justly and thro' resentment and with the view of distressing me, brought this Suit against me.

3. Therefore, according to Law and equity Plaintiff as the party who has preferred the vexatious Suit, thro' ill feeling is liable for all the costs of the same.-

4. I pray that the Decree may be modified to this extent and that the whole of the costs both in the original as well as in the appeal Suits may be adjudged to be borne by the respondent the Rajah.-

(Signed) Camaren,
Police Ameen

5th December 1857.-

(True translation)
(Signed) W. Robinson
Ag. Collector-

J.C.B.

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B. No. 4099.

Resolution thereon.- 1- Resolved that the above letter be laid before Government with reference to the Board's Proceedings dated 15th August 1856 No. 2580 Extract from Consultation 20th August 1856 No. 8800 Revenue Department.-

In Cons 22d August 1856.- 2. The Original Suit (No. 20 of 1856) was instituted by the 3d Rajah of Calicut against the Police Ameen of that place for defamation in having in an official correspondence used terms considered by the Rajah to be derogatory to his dignity.-

3. The Moofty Sudr Ameen has decreed against the Rajah but for reasons not stated has saddled the Police Ameen with the own Costs.-

4. The Ameen appeals against this part of the division and

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be submitted for their inspection before it is promulged

3. As Mr. Banbury's notification appears to me to be well suited for the purpose for which it was drawn up, I have submitted an exact translation of it, with the omission only of the para that referred to permanent puttahs for of the paras of the proposed Notification would appear to be liable to objection on the ground adverted to at the conclusion of your letter, viz. that they treat of subjects belonging to the detail of the Hoolcoumamah, but I have found it difficult to remove this objection without omitting par-ticulars which I consider the ryots should at once be made acquainted with, and I have therefore submitted Mr. Banbury's letter unaltered, except in respect to the allusion to the subject of permanent puttahs.-

North Arcot Collector's Cutcherry Chittoor 21 December 1857

(Signed) C. Whittingham Collector.

No. 1.

Notification.

This notification is addressed to the principal Ryots, Curnums, Managers and all other inhabitants residing in the Northern Talooks that is all the Talooks North of the Palar River, in the said

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said Talook in Poodoopaddy and other Villages transferred to the Arcot Talook from the Caveri-pauk Talook, in the Villages transferred to the Caveripauk Tirruttoor and Vundivash Talooks from the Chingleput District in Mavanoor and other Villages of the Vellore Talook, in the Villages of the resumed Avelcondah Jaghire attached to the Tirvellum Satghur Vellore and Poloor Talook and in the Villages of the resumed Mammundoor Polieum attached to the Chondragherry Talook.-

1- As Government with a view to promote the well being of the ryots have been pleased to authorize a Reduction of 27 per Cent on Punjah and 24 per Cent on Poonjay Assessment on an average for all the Northern Talooks on the Teerwah remaining after deducting 12½ per Cent which is the usual Remis-sion the same has been effected on all descriptions of land. In Villages where there had been no 12½ per Cent Remission the reduction has been made upon the Jarum Assessment. It is also to be understood that in carrying out the above order of Govern-ment lands highly assessed has been made to share a larger amount of reduction than those lowly assessed. Two tables have already been distributed among the ryots the one called.-

called Teerwah Dittam for whole District, showing the New Rates of Poonjay, and the new rates for the first Crop of Runjay framed upon the principles above laid down, and the other showing in juxtaposition the new and the old Rates in each Talook. From these Tables, the manner in which the reduction has been effected will be apparent. They will show that the old multifarious rates have all been brought down to 25 classes in Runjay, and 27 in Poonjay. The new rates have reference to waste, as well as Cultivated lands.-

2. Lands under the different denominations of Runjay, Poonjay, Totacal and Atchoocattoo and Haul Bagayet found in the Talooks of late have all been in the progress of reduction included in two descriptions of land, namely Runjay and Poonjay which two denominations alone are hereafter to stand. Totacal lands watered by wells and Manawary (dependant upon the falling rains) Runjay lands of late =cut, and Haul Bagayet lands which do not possess means of irrigation have been classed as Poonjay. Totacal lands under Tank and Channel irrigation, Atchoocattoo and Haul Bagayet lands which

which do possesses means of irrigation have been classed as Runjay In the new rates it is to be observed that the highest assess=ment for Totacal lands watered by wells is 6 Rupees, that for rain Poonjay and Manawary Runjay is 4 Rupees, and that the Maximum rate for two Crop Runjay and Totacal under the Tank and channel irrigation is Rupees 15 As regards Runjay Lands watered by wells- one rate lower in the scale of reduction than that fixed on Tank and Channel Runjay similarly taxed has been taken in the consideration of the labour incurred by the holders of such lands. The maximum rate for a cawny of Atchoocattoo, and Haul Bagayet lands, which have been now classed as Poonjay is Rupees 6 and that for such of these lands as have been classed as Runjay is Rupees 15 for two Crops just like in Poonjay and Runjay.-

3. On all descriptions of land now classed as Poonjay Teerwah Jasty otherwise called water rate, shall be levied according to the Rules of the Hoot Koomumah, half the Amount leviable on the 1st Crop of Runjay land has been fixed as the Teerwah for the 2d Crop raised on all descriptions of land now brought under the denomination of Runjay.-

Nunjay. As the Teerwah exhibited in the Table is only for the 1st Crop of Totacal and Haul Bagayet lands under Tank & and channel irrigation, half the Teerwah so exhibited has been fixed as the Teerwah for the 2d Crop.-

4. The distinction into one and two Crop of Nunjay lands under Tank & Channel and Well irrigation should be retained in accounts as heretofore, Poganudty being remitted, and Fusly duly added according to the rules of the Hoskoonmah.-

5. As Totacal and Haul Bagayet lands above referred to had not been divided into one and two Crop, the way to divide them and enter them accordingly in accounts is this Take the last Class of two Crop Nunjay in the Village in which the above descriptions of land exist. If the old Teerwah of the two Crop Nunjay land so selected is either equal to or greater than the old Teerwah of the said Totacal and Haul Bagayet land put down such Totacal and Haul Bagayet land as two Crop Nunjay land and if less as one Crop Nunjay lands.-

6. It will be observed that in the classification

classification newly formed, there is no Nunjay rate lower than two Rupees. as however in some Talooks there were certain Nunjay lands whose old assessment was lower than two Rupees, they ought to have been classed as Poonjay, but at the request of the ryots concerned the assessment of such lands has been raised to two Rupees and classed as Nunjay.-

7. It is to be understood that there will hereafter be no remissions on account of Pathungal Shair Pooldy, Stall Cummy &c. items now that the new rates are so very light.-

8. Government deeming it of great importance that better Communication should exist between the Towns and Villages within the District, so that the ryots may be easily enabled to convey their produce for sale at the best market and proceed from place to place without difficulty have determined upon the Establishment of a District Road Fund to which each ryot will annually contribute two percent of his Puttah Brizat the reduced rates. The sum thus realized will be yearly expended in improving and opening out the means of Communication within the District. This charge of two per cent will form an item in the Ryots puttah.-

Until.

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9. Until further orders the Jodyon Cuttody lands will be paid as usual.-

10 As Government have been pleased to make so liberal a reduction on all assessed lands, and as the Teermah to be fixed here-after upon Porumbokie will be settled upon the revised rate of the Surrounding assessed fields, tho' making Porumbokie participate equally in the benefit of the Revision, it is expected that all available waste land will be shortly brought under Cultivation.-

11. All particulars not mentioned in this Proclamation or in the Tables which have been circulated, will remain as heretofore.-

12. Instructions to Curnums and Mongars for the preparation of accounts on the basis of the principle set forth in the Proclamation will be furnished to them separately.-

13. The changes as above mentioned, and the reduced rates of assessment will come into operation for the present fusly 1207, and the Jummabundy. made in accordance therewith.-

(Signed) George Banbury
Agt. and Dy. Sub Collector.

(True Translation)
(Signed) C. Whittingham
Collector.

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Ordered that the following letter be sent in reply.-

To The Collector of North Arcot

1167-69.
P.C. No. 4636
To the Collectors of North Arcot

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Notification shewing the changes in the rates of assessment already provided and enclosed in your letter of 17th December is generally approved by the Board of Revenue.-

2. With reference to your letter of 21st December 184 enclosing translation of the Notification as to the object and Consequences of the new Rates of assessment Jam directed by

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by the Board to inform you that they approve of the Notification but Consider that it would be advisable to insert in it instead of the wide term "Ryots" in para 7. that in Consequence of the general reduction of Assessment remission will not be given for Shamalat Bunjer or Khet Toondoo, or by whatever local term parts of fields left waste is known, nor for land left most from last years Puttah unless Razeenamah has been tendered in writing early in the season also that Seazgary is abolished throughout the District.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St. George.
24th December 1857.

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

ER,

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No 97

To

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

(1170)
Bd. No 5124.
From the Director
of Revenue Settlements

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings of 16th Instant forwarding me copy of Extract Minutes of Consultation under date 11th Instant with the request that with reference to paras 10 and 11 of the latter, I will forward an estimate for a demarcation establishment and with reference to para 5 an estimate also of the expense of finding the grand Trigonometrical Survey Stations

2. My reply to the requisition was already drafted when the Boards' Proceedings of 18th Instant reached me and I have detained it to include one or two remarks which seem to be called for on this occasion. Regarding the first point abovementioned I may remark that the temporary establishment proposed in the first instance and commented upon in

paras

paras 6 and 9 of the Government minute was estimated for on the supposition that the demarcation of boundaries would be undertaken by the Collectors establishment with a few additional hands as an introductory experiment

I beg however to refer the Board to paras 13 and 18 of my subsequent letter of 7th Instant submitting revised estimates of establishments in which provision has been expressly made for the demarcation of boundaries by one x of the 3 Supervisors parties under the Superintendent of each Settlement branch. The strength and cost of a Supervisor's party is noted marginally. It was suggested that less than the whole strength specified or perhaps half might suffice for the demarcation with such aids would be received from the local revenue servants for

x Note This is misapprehended in para 11 of Boards Proceedings 18th Instant—

1 Supervisor average rate of party		120
3 Goomastahs 1 at 30 and 2 at 15		60
4 Head classifiers at 28 and 30		116
16 classifiers at 20 & 21		352
8 Peons		48
	Monthly	696
	or Annually	8352

for the duty in question, and that the lands not thus required might be employed in the clasing operations; and under the general discretion requested for the arrangement of the establishment according as circumstances might require, it was contemplated that the number of Subordinates might be increased without exceeding the aggregate cost, and that upon emergency a whole Supervisors party might be employed on the work.—

3 In Bombay where the System is also ryotwary, it seems that there was no separate establishment for the demarcation of boundaries, but that this duty was undertaken by the Survey establishment which was combined with the Settling Department Surveyors were deputed to define thro' the cooperation of the villagers and the aid of the local revenue Officers the limits of each village and to secure their preservation by proper land marks / Rule 1 page 6 of printed Cor: respondence / The Surveyer also disposed of disputes by arbitration, Rule 5, or with the aid of the Mamlutdar,

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10. There may however be some expense necessary for filling in blanks in the triangulation of some Districts, but it is impossible to say what it will be till the Records of the Surveyor General's Department are made complete for this Presidency and the course to be pursued in this supplementary work is laid down In Para 5 of my letter of 16th October last I stated that the Superintendent of Revenue Survey considered it proper that any further triangulation required should be supplied by the Surveyor General of India, while I thought that the requisite points might perhaps be taken up from ascertained stations of former triangulation by one of Captain Priestley's Assistants.

11. Although the Board are in possession of information on the other points noticed in the Government Minute and not referred to in their

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Proceedings under reply. I may point out that in the comparison made by Government of the Survey establishments in the North West Provinces and Bengal with that now proposed, the item of the Kusrah or field measurement is omitted in the one case and included in the other. The annual cost of establishment for this item ought therefore to be added to the figures given by Government for Bengal and North West Provinces. This sum is not stated in the manual, but the average rate per Square mile is 28 — 8 — 6 which is more than the cost of the Professional Survey which averaged from 20¼ to 22 — 5 — 8 & 26 ¾, So that the total for the two operations is much more than double the sums quoted by Government and far exceeds the amount of 54,840 Rupees proposed in the revised estimate for each party.

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12. With regard to the progress of Survey in South Arcot and Trichinopoly it may be remarked that altho' the esctent of work hitherto accomplished in a Season by Captain Priestley falls much short of the standard proposed to be attained, still the results of the last Season reported, Viz.t 1,50 Square miles affords a favorable comparison with the earlier work in Bengal and North West Provinces where

Page 509 338 Square miles was the maximum attained in the first 9 years. So that while the present estimates are on a some what lower scale than the establishments in the North of India the results obtained are made favorable and thus give promise of at least equal success in the extended operations.

Office of the
Director of Revenue Settlements
Madras, 22 December 1857.

/Signed/ H. Newill
Director of Revenue Settlements

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Proceedings thereon. 1 The above letter is a reply made to the call of Government for a separate Demarcation Establishment, in their Extract Minutes Consultation of 11th December 1857 para 11 No. 1238 Revenue Department.—

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2. The Board concur with Mr. Newill that it is not necessary to frame an Establishment on the scale proposed by Government which as the Board have pointed out was the one arranged for the lower Provinces of Bengal & not for the N. W. At the same time the Demarcation process is easier in unirrigated & open country & the large Fields of the Deccan than it will be in the Carnatic. The Board consider it sufficient to ask sanction for the Establishment proposed by Mr. Newill each party will cost 9960 Rupees yearly and to such parties will be required eventually. The Board have already met Mr. Newills wish that his last assessment Estimate including the extra supervisors, should stand as it is but they misapprehended the exact numerical strength of his Extra hands the detail of which is now explained

* Bds Pro 18 Decr 57 No 4573 para 4th
* para 5 Mr. Newills letter
* paras 6 & 7th Mr. Newills letter
* para 7.
* para 8.
* Boards Pro: 18 December 1857 para 11 * para 8
* para 2.

3 In accordance with the directions of Government the Board called on Mr. Newill to submit an Estimate for finding the stations of the Grand Trigonometrical Survey but they concur with him that for the reasons stated in paras 9 & 10 that no such Estimate is required.—

4 The remarks made by Mr. Newill in para 11 have already been made by the Board in their Proceedings of 18th December 1857 para 11.—

From

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No 741 Revenue Department containing Bengal Revenue Survey Professional and civil operations report for the Season 51-52 to 54-55.

Revenue Board Office
Fort Saint George
24th December 1857

/Signed/ I. D. Sim
Dy Secretary

To
I. D. Sim Esqr
Acting Secretary to the
Court of Wards
Fort Saint George

Sir,

With reference to Mr Cockerell's letter to you dated 23d October last I have the honor to request that the Court will favour me with an early reply as the time allowed by the Plaintiffs in their Agreement expired on the 6th Ultimo

Madura
17th December 1857

/Signed/ R. Hathaway
Dy Collector

Resolved that the above letter be communicated to Mr Dale with a request that he will favor the Court with an early reply to their letters dated 11th Ultimo No 3921 and 17th Instant No 4366.

Official

21903 Fort St George, 24th December 1857.

To
The Canarese
Translator to Govt

Sir,

With reference to Extract Minutes Consultations dated 30th July 1855, the Acting Sub Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to request the Canarese Translator to Government to favor the Board with the Translations of the Petitions and Collectors Order noted in the margin.

No 1005 of 1857 -
" 4252 Rev. & P.C.

Revenue Board Office
Fort St George,
24th December 1857.

/Signed/ L. Forbes
Acting Sub Secretary.

Comparative

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3 It would also be convenient if you could have each Bond purchased made payable to the Secretary to the Court of Wards for the time being on behalf of the Minor * Proprietor of Tent if this cannot be done, you will please enter at the head of each Bond in pencil the name of the Estate of the Proprietor on whose account the purchase was made.

4 The Court would also wish to have one separate account furnished to them of the purchases made on behalf of each incapacitated proprietor after you have completed the Commission now entrusted to you

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George
24th December 1857.

Signed J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary

Memo:

* Note In the case of the Parlah Kimedy Estate, the word Minor should be omitted as the proprietor is under Wardship from other causes

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Memo: of Sums to be inserted in the Court of Wards Letter for the above being.

	Rs. As. P.
Peryoor in Trinnelly	11725 11 0
Munnacottah in Do.	24,000 " "
Sunpatoor in Do.	33000 " "
Shevagunga in Madura	100412 8 "
Ayacoody in Do.	5000 " "
Gundracottah in Tanjore	4,602 10 7
Porapolliem in Coimbatore	5,000 " "
Pantivanum in Tanjore	2,000 " "
Total	1,85,540 14 7

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
24 December 1857.

Signed J. D. Sim
Acting Secretary