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KollectValley operates daily for our tenants but how is KollectValley always up to date? This is done by extracting data directly from our tenant's accounting system and loading it into the Kollect Database. Once the data is loaded into the database, the most up to date information becomes available for our tenants. However, the data structure from the tenants is not the same as the data structure in the Kollect Database. This data would need to be transformed somehow to match Kollect's data structure and this is achieved by using the Kollect PowerETL.

Kollect Power ETL is a new system which was developed to ease the Loading process across all the KollectValley platforms in handling this daily data. Data from these tenants which are stored in data files and these data files are Extracted, Transformed and then Loaded into Kollect's Database. This streamlines the flow of the data from the data files extracted to its entry into Kollect's Database.

Admin Panel

The Admin Panel is a module the administrator can access to make changes to the PowerETL or to its users. The administrator is given a wide array of settings that can be adjusted or tweaked. The settings given to the administrator include User Management, Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) Settings, Email Settings, Database Settings and Settings for Automated jobs by the host.

User Management

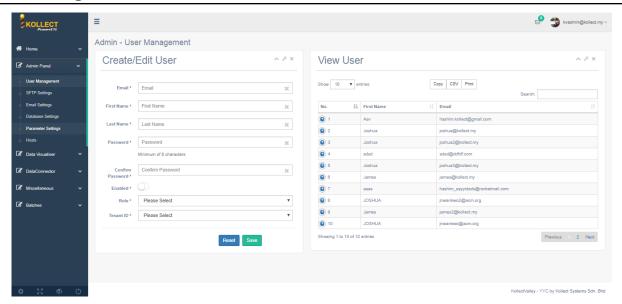


Figure 1: User Management

The User Management page is a section for administrators to either view, add, edit or remove users who have access to the PowerETL. On the left side of the page, the administrator can Create or Edit details of a user. The administrator can also define the role of the users between a regular user and an administrator, and define the tenants that they are working on. On the right side of the page, there is a table that displays all the registered users First Name, and their Email Addresses. The administrator can also click edit in the Actions column to edit details of a user that is already registered.

SFTP Settings

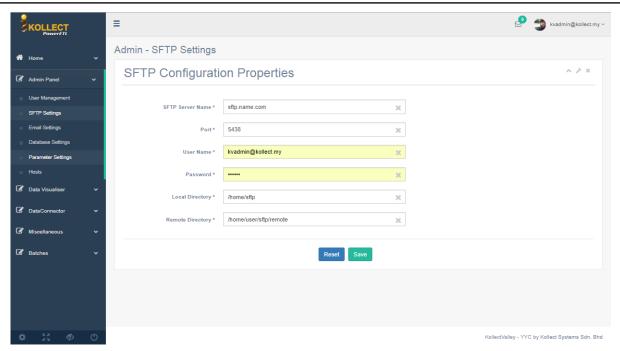


Figure 2: SFTP Settings

In the SFTP Settings section, the administrator defines the server name, port number and directories for Secured File Transfer Protocol.

Email Settings

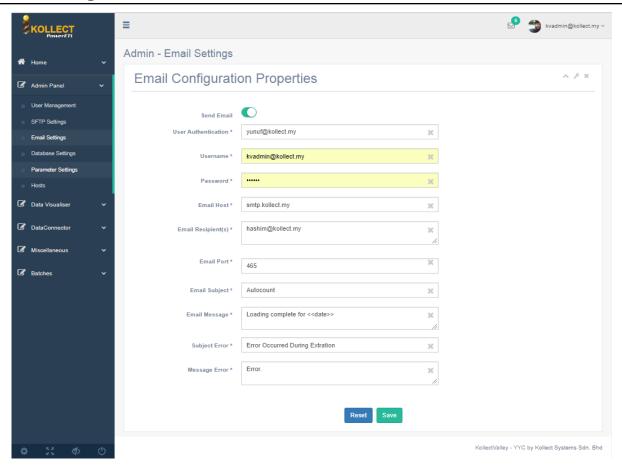


Figure 3: Email Settings

Email Configuration Properties is where the administrator can assign an email address for messages to go out from the PowerETL. When a batch is loaded with no issues, an email is sent to addresses in the 'Email Recipient' column, stating that the loading has successfully occurred. Alternatively, if there are any errors in the loading process, a message will also be sent to the registered email address stating that there was an error in the loading process. This allows the administrator with an assurance that they will recieve an update from the PowerETL especially if there was an issue with the loading process.

Database Settings

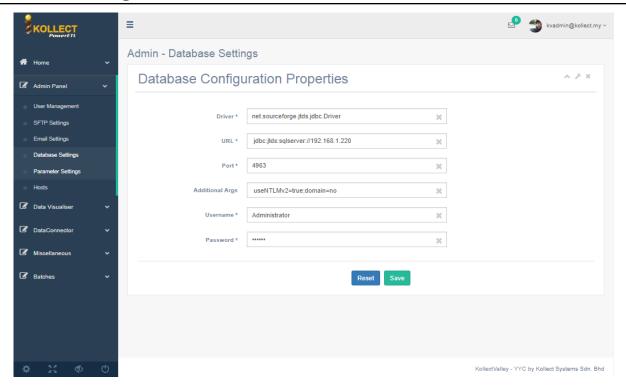


Figure 4: Database Settings

Database Settings define the Driver, URL and the port number to access the Database. The administrator would also need to provide the system with a username and password to the database to ensure smooth steady access for the PowerETL.

Host

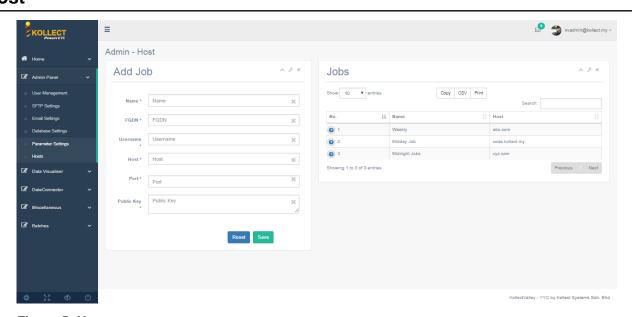


Figure 5: Host

Automated jobs are set here in the Host section. An administrator can create automated jobs for the ETL to perform, and can also edit or delete jobs here.

Data Visualizer

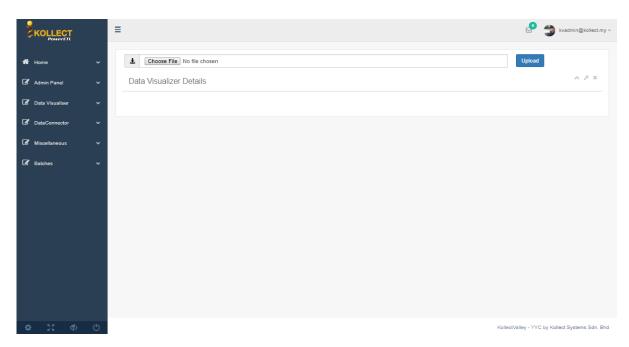


Figure 6: Data Visualizer - Viewer

This function is for users to view CSV file formats, but to have each column separated by its Separator Value. The user can upload only a CSV file and its contents will be displayed below. The user will receive an error message if a non CSV file is uploaded. Files uploaded here are only for viewing and do not affect any loading processes, however the user can either download a copy of the CSV file, copy the contents to the clipboard or even print out the details that are displayed.

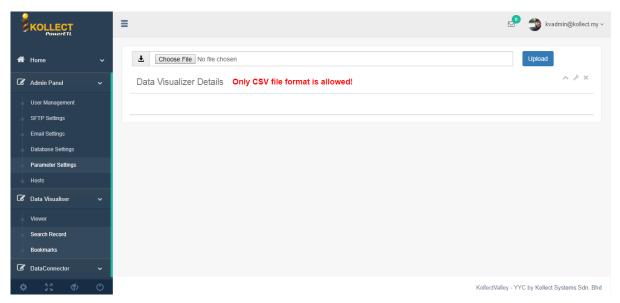


Figure 7: Data Visualizer - Viewer error message

Table Settings - General Configuration Properties

This section is for users to insert information about the data file that is to be loaded. Most of these files will come as CSV (Comma Separated Values) or PSV (Pipe Separated Values) files, both of which consist of rows and columns, just like an Excel file. Information about the data file and then its columns need to be recorded and below is the method for inserting the initial information about the data file itself.

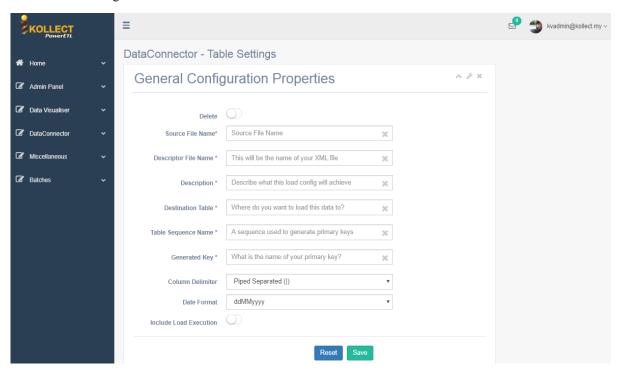


Figure 8: Table Settings

Source File Name

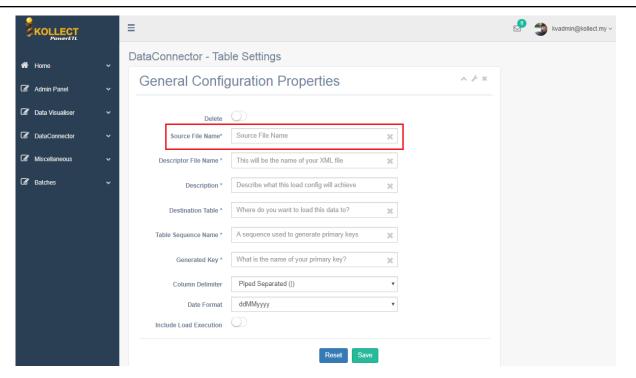


Figure 9: General Settings - Source File Name

Insert the Source File Name in full to this field. Also remember to include the extension type of the file, into this field. Eg: Transactions_1234.CSV

Descriptor File Name

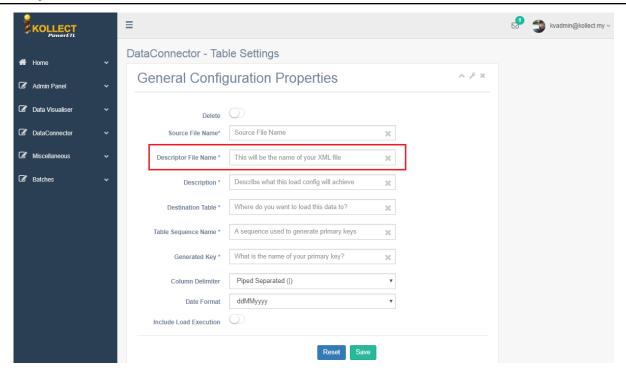


Figure 10: General Settings - Descriptor File Name

The Descriptor File Name is for the user to enter the name of the data file in this field, but without numbers or its extension. The value in this field will become the name of the XML file created.

Eg: Transactions

Description

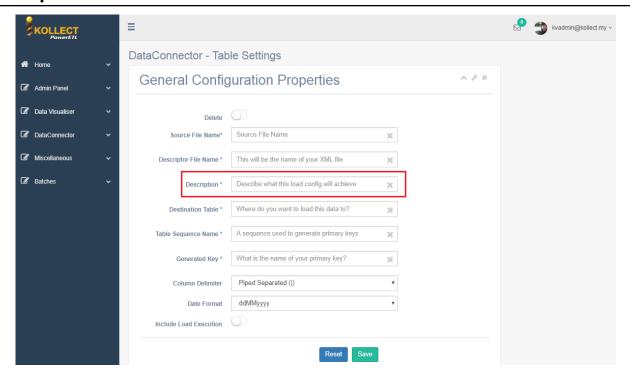


Figure 11: General Settings - Description

In this field, the user is expected to fill up a short description of the file that is being loaded.

Eg: Transactions Loading Configuration

Destination Table

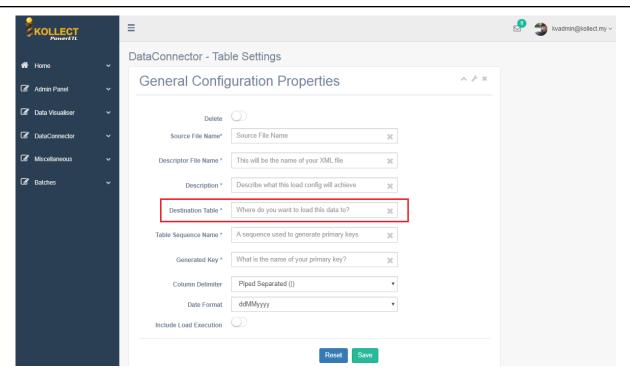


Figure 12: General Settings - Destination Table

All data files are eventually loaded into Kollect Database and in this Destination Table field, the user needs to specify the database table where the data will be loaded to.

Eg: Transactions

Table Sequence Name

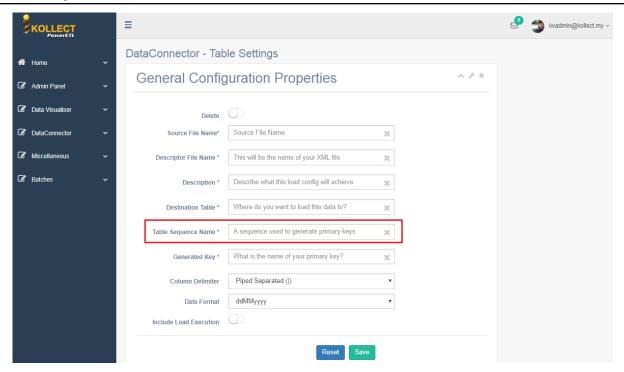


Figure 13: General Settings - Table Sequence Name

The table sequence name specifies a column to be the Primary Key for the table. Here, the user is supposed to enter the Database Table Name, followed by _ID.

Eg: Transactions_ID

Generated Key

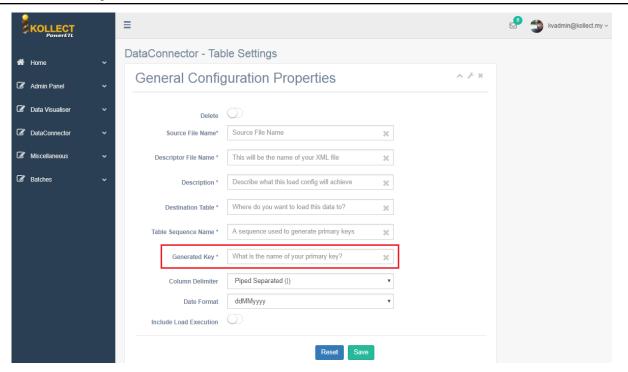


Figure 14: General Settings - Generated Key

The Generated Key specifies the name of the Primary Key column. In Kollect's Database Tables, the Primary Key Column is always the ID column and as such, this field's value is always, ID

Column Delimiter

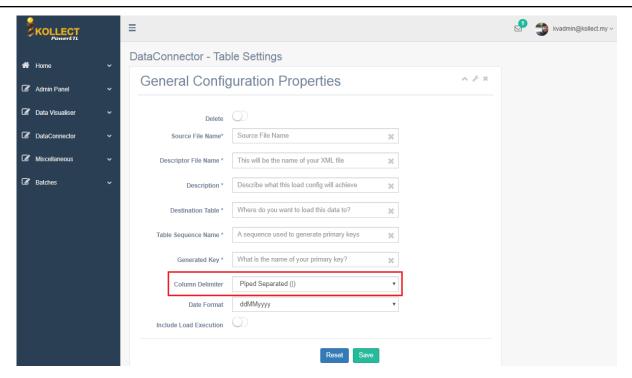


Figure 15: General Settings - Column Delimiter

The Column Delimiter dropdown is to specify how the data is separated in the Data File, and it would be either Comma (,) or Pipe (|) so the user is required to select from the dropdown menu, how to expect the data to be separated.

Date Format

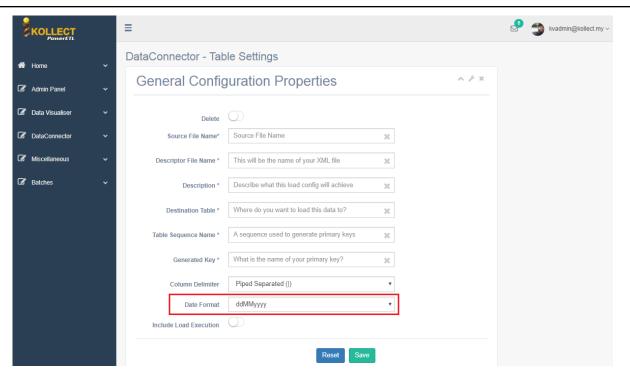


Figure 16: General Settings - Date Format

The Date Format here is to specify how dates are formatted in the data file received from the tenant. Date Format Options are selectable by the drop down menu, however the most commonly used date format is ddMMyyyy.

Include Load Execution

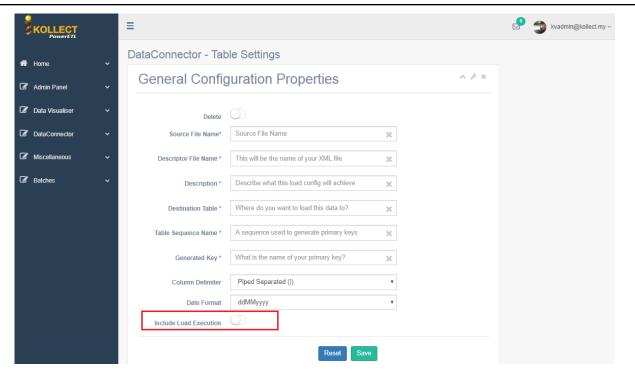


Figure 17: General Settings - Include Load Execution

The user is required to switch this button ON.

Parent Table Settings



Figure 18: Parent Table Settings

Once all the fields are filled, the user can click save and move on to the next file or to inserting the columns. The user can scroll down to view what they have saved in the Parent Table Settings. In this table, users are also given a list of

actions that can be taken. These actions are Edit, Add Fields, Preview DC Configuration File and lastly, Download DC Configuration File. To continue the loading process, users can click the plus(Add) icon to begin inserting the details of each column. To find the desired table, a user can also enter a search term in the search bar on the top right of the table to find the desired table to insert.

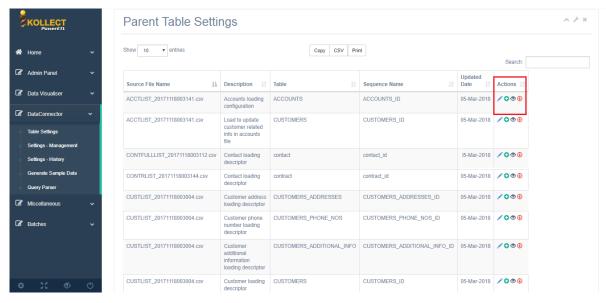


Figure 19: Parent Table Settings - Actions

Configuration - Add

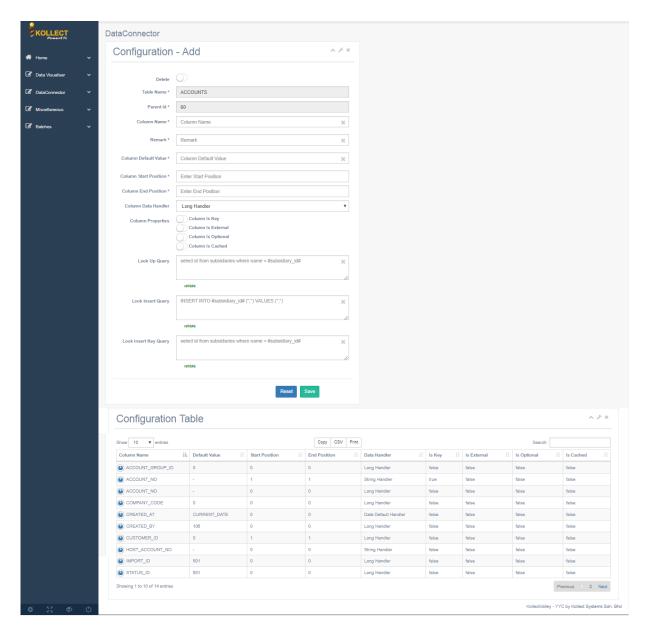


Figure 20: Configuration Page

Once the user has completed entering the details of the data file, and has selected to add details to the user's entry in the Parent Table Settings, Then the user is taken to a new page to continue inserting information about the data file. Here the user needs to insert details of each individual column starting with the first column, then click save, then start inserting details on the second column and so on. This is done until all the columns are inserted in the Add section in the top of the figure, and once inserted, it can be viewed on the bottom of the figure in the Configuration Table.

Table Name

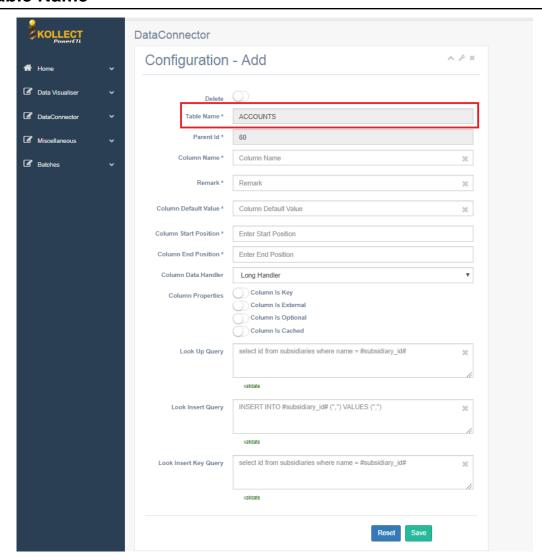


Figure 21: Add - Table Name

The name reflected in this field should be the name of the Table in which these columns are going into. This is a read only field

Parent ID

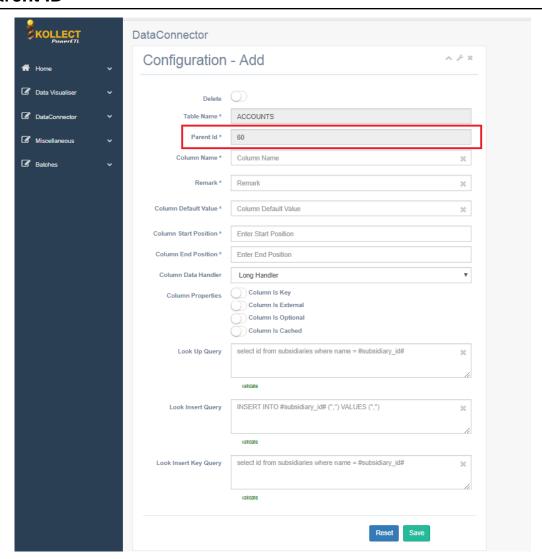


Figure 22: Add - Parent ID

This field displays the Parent ID that is associated to the table. This is a read only field

Column Name

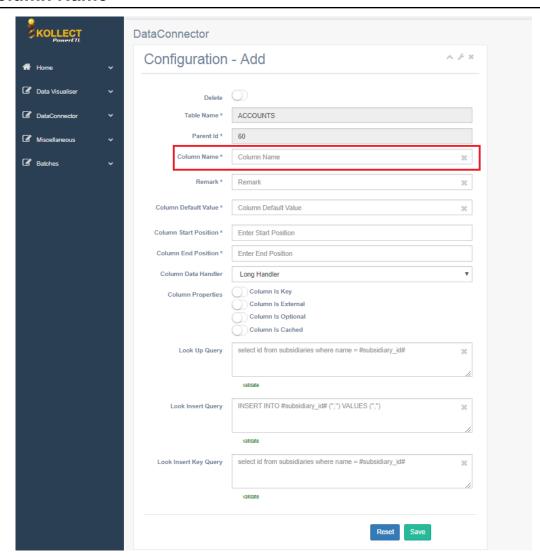


Figure 23: Add - Column Name

The Column Name field as it is named, is to insert the column name that the user would wish to load. Eg: invoice_date

Remark

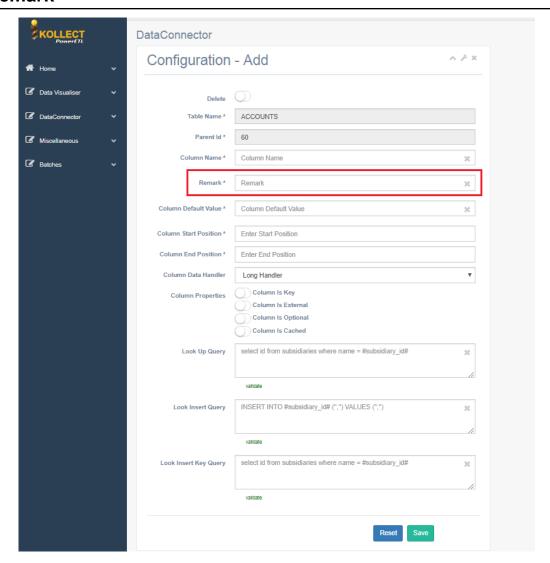


Figure 24: Add - Remark

The user can fill any details about the column in the Remarks field such as its default value.

Eg: Invoice date is taken from host invoice_date

Column Default Value

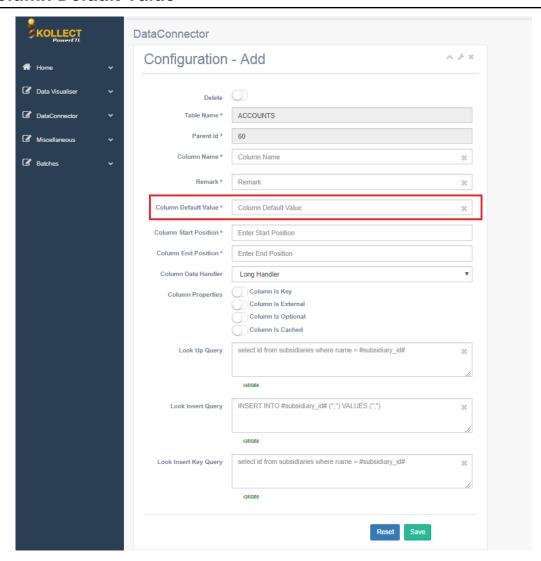


Figure 25: Add - Column Default Value

In the database, there are many columns that do not allow for there to be a null or blank column. As such, we define certain default values in their absence. The Column Default Value field is to specify what value should be entered in the event that there is a null or blank column.

Eg: current_date

Column Start Position

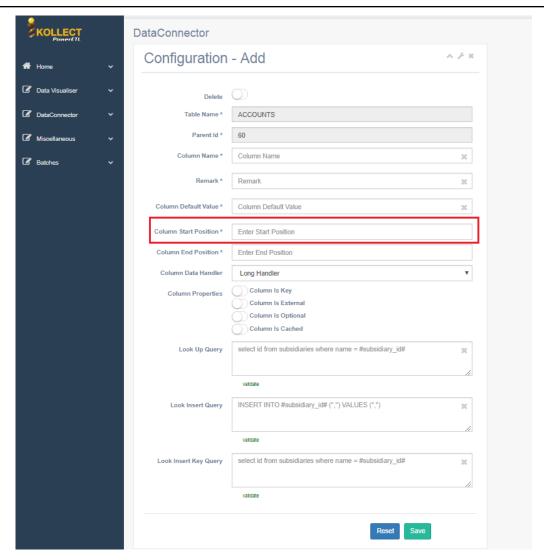


Figure 26: Add - Column Start Position

The Column Start Position Field is where the user can input the column number from the Kollect Database, where the data is to be loaded. If it is to be loaded into the first Column of a Database Table, then the value here would be 1. If it is to be loaded into the second Column of a Database Table, the value would then be 2.

Column End Position

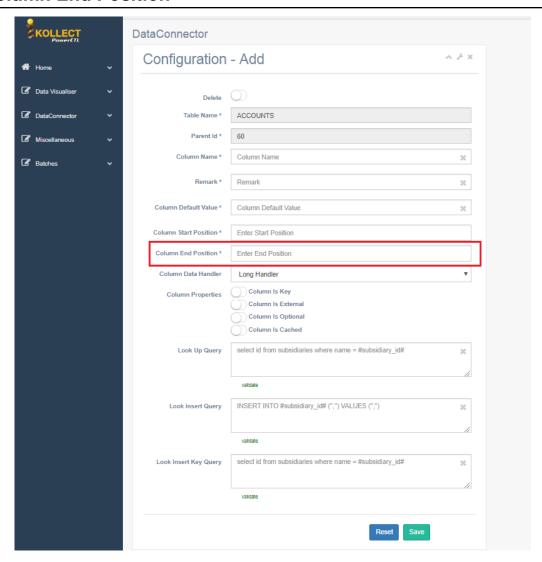


Figure 27: Add - Column End Position

The Column End Position Field mirrors what was inserted into the Column Start Position Field. If the Column Start Position is 1, then the Column End Position would be 1.

Column Data Handler

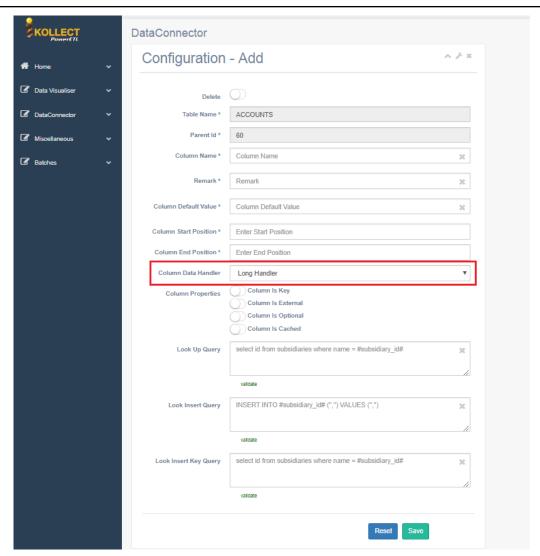


Figure 28: Add - Column Data Handler

The Column Data Hander is a dropdown which lists different data handlers that the user could choose from. The user can choose between Long Handler, String Handler, Default Date Handler, Integer Handler, YN Boolean Handler, Currency Handler and Pass Through Handler however, the data handler selected here should match the data in the column to be loaded.

Column Properties

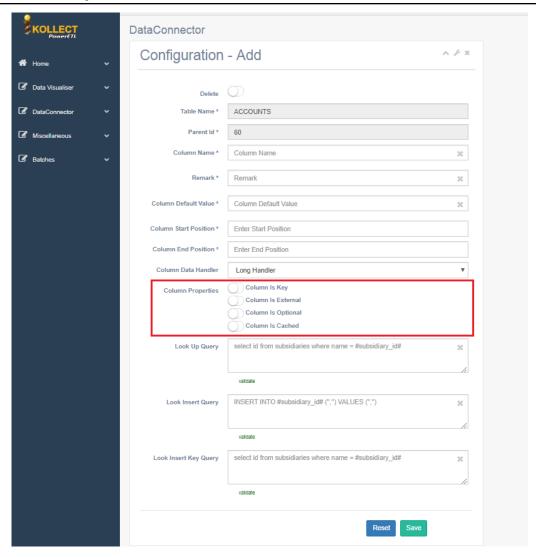


Figure 29: Add - Column Properties

Look Up Query

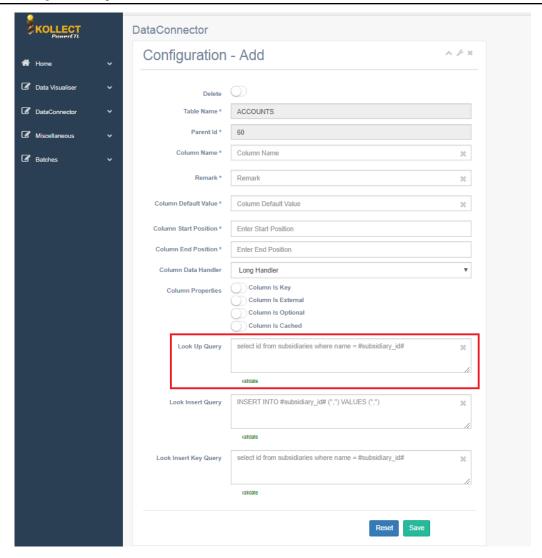


Figure 30: Add - Look Up Query

A user can define the relationship between a column and a column from another table. The query should be entered in here.

Look Insert Query

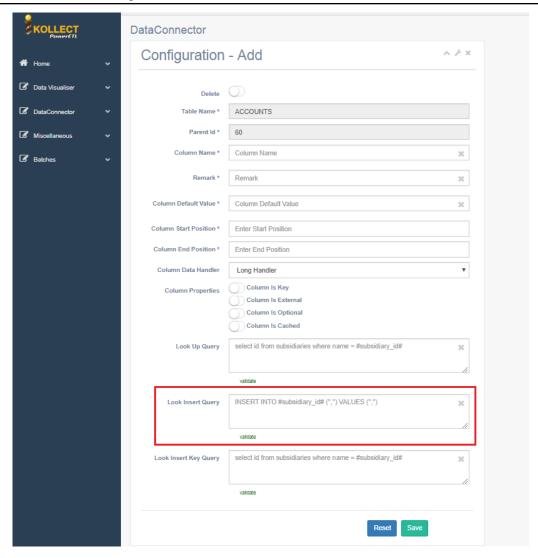


Figure 31: Add - Look Insert Query

Look Insert Key Query

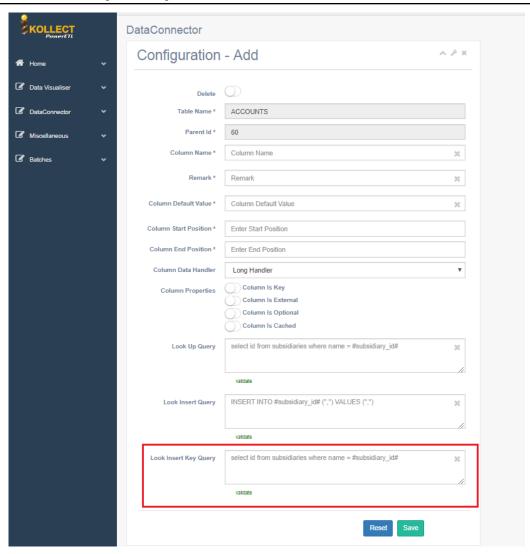


Figure 32: Add - Look Insert Key Query

Configuration Table

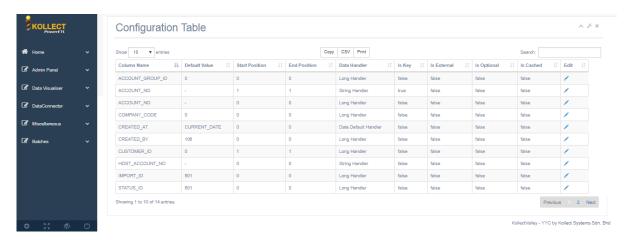


Figure 33: Configuration Table

Once all the column details are entered into their respective fields, the user can click save and view the column that was just saved in the Configuration Table. Here the user can keep adding column and will eventually see a list of the columns like the figure above. Users can Copy the Column Details, create a CSV File with of the Column Details, or just print out the table. The user can also use the search function to find a column, and to change any details, the user can click the edit button on the end of each row and the user will be taken back to the Configuration-Add screen to reenter or edit the column details.

Batches

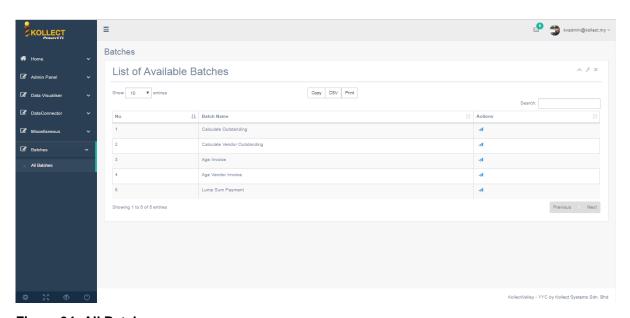


Figure 34: All Batches

In this module, a user can run batches ad-hoc. Each of the batches has a Run Batch button on the end of each row that the user can click, and the batch will perform and an output will be displayed alerting the user as to how many records were updated.

Batches - Calculate Outstanding

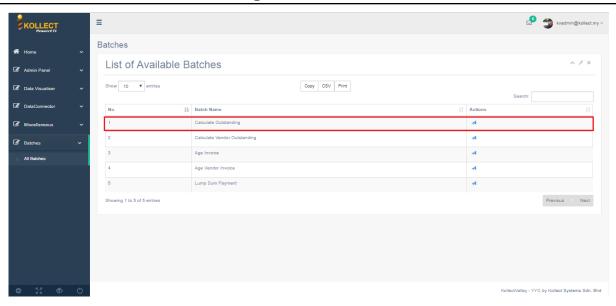


Figure 35: Batches - Calculate Outstanding

Calculates the total outstanding in the data that has been loaded, and updates the value in the total outstanding column

Batches - Calculate Vendor Outstanding

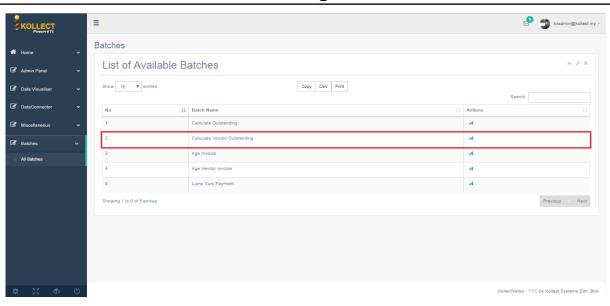


Figure 36: Batches - Calculate Vendor Outstanding

Batches - Age Invoice

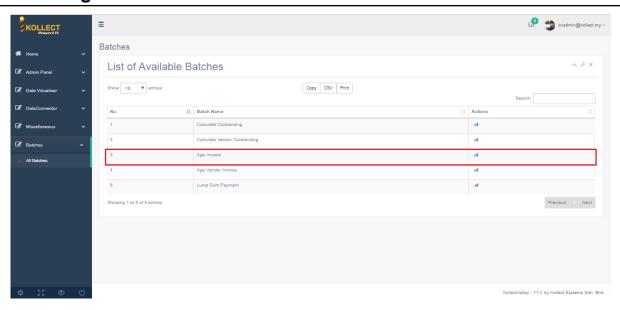


Figure 37: Batches - Age Invoice

Batches - Age Vendor Invoice

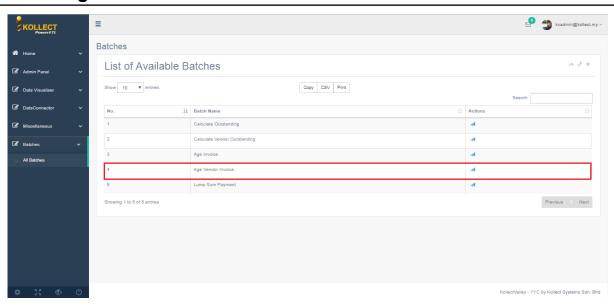


Figure 38: Batches - Age Vendor Invoice

Batches - Lump Sum Payment

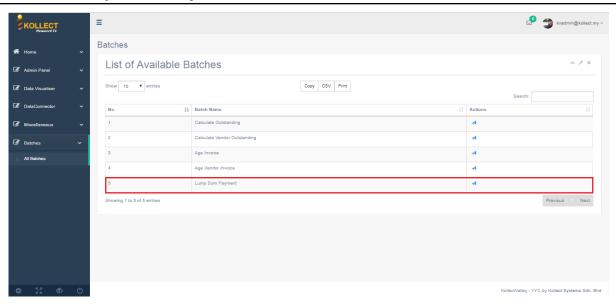


Figure 39: Batches - Lump Sum Payment

Calculates and updates lump sum payment in the Kollect Database