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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), No. 714, dated 17th November 1897:—

W. J. H. LeFanu, Esq.
(Famine Commissioner.)

Read—the following Fortnightly Narrative of the Ganjám district for the period ending 31st October 1897:—

State of the Country.

Rainfall and Water-supply.—

District rainfall.

	Actual rainfall.	Expected rainfall.
	INCHES.	INCHES.
In the fortnight	5·17	4·02
Up to the fortnight from April	47·57	38·59

Water-supply is abundant both for drinking and irrigation purposes. There have been good freshes in rivers and nallas.

Agricultural operations and condition of the standing crops.—Ragi and light paddy are being harvested. Outturn of former middling to bad, and of latter fair to average. Standing crops are paddy, black gram, red gram and sugar-cane which are thriving well. The Head-quarters Deputy Collector reports that paddy is greatly damaged by grasshoppers in low lands in his division.

Supply of fodder and pasture, and condition of cattle.—Pasture is abundant. Fodder is becoming generally available. The condition of cattle is generally good.

General remarks on the previous subjects.—The prospects of season have considerably improved, and the standing crops are all thriving well.

Food-supplies and the state of the Markets.

Prices of principal food-grains at principal markets in the affected tracts, in seers of 80 tolas per rupee, for the period ending 30th October 1897.

Stations.	Rice.				Ragi.		Corresponding prices of 1889.		Remarks.
	End of last period.		End of current period.		End of last period.	End of current period.	Rice.	Ragi.	
	Raw.	Boiled.	Raw.	Boiled.					
Russellkonda	8 00	10·00	9·00	11·00	15·94	17·35	11·50	36·00	Price of raw rice is falling in eleven stations, and stationary in one. Ragi is stationary in two stations, and falling elsewhere.
Suráda	7·86	9·19	9·25	10 50	13·81	17·06	11·50	36·00	
Aska	7·22	7·95	8·50	10·05	8·90	15 67	11·00	31·00	
Purushóttapuram	8·00	9·00	8·50	9·50	17·00	17·00	11·00	35·00	
Chatrapur	7·50	8·00	8·50	9·00	10·50	11·50	10·50	27·00	
Berhampur	7·50	9·00	9·00	10·00	11·90	14·87	12·00	31·00	
Ichchhápuram	8·50	9·00	9·00	9·50	12·60	14·40	11·00	24·00	
Sómpéta	8·66	9·45	8·66	9·45	13·50	13·50	13·60	36·00	
Parlákimedi	9·25	..	11·22	..	14·95	15·60	13·50	39·00	
Tekkali	9·00	..	9·60	..	12·65	17·75	12·00	36·00	
Narasannapéta	9 37	..	9·75	..	12 50	15·00	14·00	36·00	
Chicacole	7·68	..	8·20	..	13·31	14·20	11·00	32·00	
Total ..	98·54	71·59	109·18	79·00	157·56	183·90	142·60	399·00	
Average ..	8·21	8·95	9·09	9·87	13·13	15·32	11·88	33·25	

Activity of trade.—Private trade is not very active. Two hundred and seventy-two cart-loads of paddy are reported to have been imported from Nayaghar into Berhampur side. Paddy and rice are still being imported in limited quantities from Puri.

Exports and imports of food-grains by rail and by sea are as follow:—

	Exports.	Imports.
	MDS.	MDS.
By rail	1,623	8,342
By sea		1,766

Condition of the People.

On works.—All the works have been closed.

In villages.—The condition of people in villages is generally good. Cooly classes find work in the fields. A few emaciated persons are being fed at the Koitakhandi kitchen in the Peddakimedi estate.

The following remittances are reported from emigrants to Burmah through the Post offices noted below:—

	RS.
Jalmur	360
Kotabommali	1,460
Kasibugga	1,489
Total ...	3,309

Sickness and mortality.—Fever and small-pox are generally prevalent.

Cholera deaths—	
Goomsur division	98
Head-quarters Deputy Collector's division	85
Berhampur division	9
Chicacole division	33
Total ...	225

Remarks.—All relief works and all kitchens have been finally closed.

Measures of Relief.

Works.—In what taluks open and comparison of numbers—

Taluks.	Number employed	
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.
1. Ankoli, Berhampur taluk	160	...
2. Rothini hill quarry, Ichchhápuram taluk	831	...
3. Johomi, Ganjám taluk	164	...
4. Hill quarry, Ganjám taluk	350	...
5. Mukundapur, Purushóttapuram taluk	117	...
6. Boirani, Purushóttapuram taluk	162	...
7. Hinjilli, Purushóttapuram taluk	220	...
8. Mottosorosingi, Purushóttapuram taluk	170	...
9. Rajapur, Peddakimedi taluk	11	...
Total ...	2,185	...

Gratuitous relief.—Numbers relieved at kitchens and otherwise—

Taluks.	Number relieved							
	At kitchens.				In poor-houses.		In villages.	
	Dependants.		Others.					
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.
Russellkonda	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suradá	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aska	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bodogodo	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peddakimedi	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Berhampur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sómpéta	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ichchhápuram	..	..	140	..	..	..	4	..
Ganjám	..	..	46	32	..	..	..	..
Purushóttapuram	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..
Tekkali	..	..	..	..	..	..	491	..
Narasannapéta	..	..	..	..	..	..	263	..
Parlákimedi	..	..	..	..	..	..	172	..
Chicacole	..	..	55	..	..	..	37	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	657	..
	..	..	229	..	..	..	380	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	489	32	..	..	2,004	..

Taluks.	Number of villages in which relief was given.		Weavers' relief.			
			Number of persons relieved		Number of cloths manufactured	
	Last fortnight	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	In the period.	Up to date.
Russellkonda	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suradá	1	..	..	..	..	..
Aska	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bodogodo	..	..	..	..	..	..
Peddakimedi	..	..	..	..	..	..
Berhampur	..	..	49	..	591	2,380
Sómpéta	96	..	..	..	..	..
Ichchhápuram	53	..	..	..	9	11,020
Ganjám	29	..	172	..	..	..
Purushóttapuram	17	..	1,048	..	135	2,597
Tekkali	143	..	..	20	212	15,291
Narasannapéta	63	..	..	..	408	37,065
Parlákimedi	..	..	317	..	..	2,811
Chicacole	..	..	100	44	111	6,841
	..	..	..	15	810	12,938
	..	..	380	..	148	21,059
Total	..	..	..	12	..	6,531
	402	..	..	..	446	10,168
			2,066	91	4	3,253
					2,874	131,954

Private charity.—No organized private charity at work. Some gentlemen at Aska are feeding between 20 and 30 helpless people daily. It is reported that in Pattupur a private gentleman has of late undertaken to feed about 100 people a day for a month.

Inspections of the District Officers.

Taluks and places visited.—The Principal Assistant Collector has visited six villages; the Senior Assistant Collector one village; the General Deputy Collector, Goomsur, eleven villages; and the Head-quarters Deputy Collector seventeen villages in their respective divisions. I have visited Kasibugga, Pata Tekkali, Tekkali and Parlákimedi.

There is nothing important to record. The Koitakhandi kitchen has been closed, and all relief operations are now at an end; it merely remains to collect a few cloths from defaulting weavers. The audit of famine expenditure is progressing, but it will still take some time before all items are finally adjusted.

Prices continue to fall slightly, and a considerable fall in the price of rice may be looked for at a very early date. Light paddy is being harvested, and yields a good crop, and heavy paddy everywhere is very promising, except in parts of Atagada, Suradá and Chíkati where considerable damage has been caused by grasshoppers.

Private charity has now resumed its ordinary course, and provides for all those who were till lately in receipt of Government relief and unable to earn their living by labour.

Loan Transactions.—Statement showing particulars of loan transactions under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts.

Taluks.	Repair and construction of wells.						Other purposes.						Total.						Number of wells	
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		Constructed or repaired.	Under construction or repair.
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Berhampur	..	..	..	..	..	..	184	19,145	184	19,145	..	..	184	19,145	184	19,145	..	..	..	..
Goomsur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chicacole	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	720	4	720	..	..	4	720	4	720	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	188	19,865	188	19,865	..	..	188	19,865	188	19,865	..	..	..	..

Taluks.	Cattle and seed-grain.								Total.							
	Purchase of fodder.								Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.			
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		Applications accepted.									
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,393	64,741	359	25,604	1,459	67,590	1,393	64,741	359	25,604
Berhampur	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,459	67,590	365	17,244	25	1,393	391	18,713	365	17,244	25	1,393
Goomsur	..	..	..	..	..	..	391	18,713	75	3,649	5	420	75	3,649	75	3,649	5	420
Chicacole	..	..	..	..	..	..	75	3,649										
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,925	89,952	1,833	85,634	389	27,417	1,925	89,952	1,833	85,634	389	27,417

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(True Copy and Extract.)

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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Collector of Ganjám.
" Sanitary Commissioner.

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