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No. 19. Read the following letter from R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Sub-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, 9th January 1865, No. 84 :—

SIR,
1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit the usual report on the operations of the Collectorate Presses during the year 1863-64, accompanied by two Statements Nos. 1 and 2. The form of the Statement No. 2, which was hitherto intended to shew the financial results of the working of the Presses, has been altered, in consequence of Press earnings having ceased to be at the disposal of Collectors for the purchase of type, &c., and as no work was done for public Departments on payment, during the past year, under the Orders of Government, dated 23rd September 1862, No. 2,067. An Enclosure A. is, however, attached to Statement No. 1 to shew the particulars of the actual charges incurred in each District. Statement No. 2, as now prepared, is confined, it will be seen, simply to the Demand, Collection, and Balance on account of Private work and subscriptions to District Gazettes.

2. In the following abstract, which is prepared from Statement No. 1, the total number of papers printed for the different Departments during the year under notice, and the estimated value of the work done, are shewn in comparison with the same particulars for the preceding year :—

	1862-63.		1863-64.		COMPARISON OF THE VALUE OF WORK.	
	Number of papers.	Value of work.	Number of papers.	Value of work.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Office work... ..	5,883	35,519	6,681	37,621	2,102	
District Gazettes... ..	1,185	46,119	1,222	58,907	12,788	
Selections from Records... ..	19	277	17	460	183	
Judicial Department... ..	1,120	4,006	1,718	5,804	1,791	
Other public Offices... ..	700	3,257	1,220	5,928	2,671	
Private work... ..	628	2,856	580	1,984		872
	9,535	92,034	11,438	1,10,704	19,542	872
			Deduct Decrease...		872	
			Net Increase...		18,670	

3. It will be seen that there was an increase under all heads, with the exception of that of Private work, the net increase being Rupees 18,670 over the previous year. In consequence of no charge being made for the work done for public departments, from the commencement of the last official year, several offices availed themselves of the Collectors' Presses to a larger extent than usual. The value of this work, during the year under report, is Rupees 4,462

in excess of the value of the work performed for the same departments in the previous year. There is reason to believe that when the Presses are put on a more efficient footing, they will be still more largely made use of by the different departments in each District. Ever since the establishment of Presses, there has been a gradual increase every year in the value of work turned out, as shewn in the margin. In some Districts the demand by other departments is so great that the Presses are unable to undertake private work to any extent. In other Districts there is seldom any work obtained from the native community, and, as observed by the

Judicial Department	Rs. 1,791
Other Departments	2,671
Total.. ..	4,462

Years.	Rs.	Years.	Rs.
1856-57... ..	17,569	1860-61... ..	64,166
1857-58... ..	28,186	1861-62... ..	81,284
1858-59... ..	42,298	1862-63... ..	92,034
1859-60... ..	53,262	1863-64... ..	1,10,704

Collector of South Arcot, when the European residents require anything in print, they usually resort to the Presses of Madras, where work can be done more speedily and in a better style than at a local District Press. This will account for the decrease observable under the head of Private work during the past year.

4. The largest increase is under the head District Gazette, and this must be attributed to the increase in the size of the Gazette, and to its more extended circulation during the past year in many Districts. There is a small increase in the number of copies supplied gratis to public officers, which is probably owing to the augmentation in the number of Salt Superintendents and Sub-Magistrates in the Revenue Department, and Talook Overseers in the Public Works Department, on the recent re-organization of those Establishments.

5. In reviewing the Board's Report for 1862-63, Government in paragraph 3 of their Proceedings, dated 16th December 1863, No. 2,310, noticed that in certain Districts the circulation of the Gazettes to private individuals paying subscription was very limited. It is satisfactory to observe that during the past year there was an improvement in this respect, the number of copies subscribed for showing an increase of 79,741, though subscriptions on full rate fell off. The increase is very remarkable in Bellary and South Canara. In the Kistna, Kurnool, Tanjore, Trichinopoly, Madura, and Salem Districts, there is a decrease in the number of

	Number of copies on full Subscription.	Number of copies on reduced Subscription.	Total
1863-64	19,386	2,98,720	3,18,106
1862-63	21,266	2,17,099	2,38,365
Increase			79,741

subscribers. The sudden reduction in the number of subscribers in Salem from 265 in April 1863 to 37 in May following should have been explained. The following abstract will shew the number of subscribers paying both full and reduced subscriptions in the several Districts average in the past year compared with the previous one:—

DISTRICTS.	NUMBER OF SUBSCRIBERS IN 1862-63.			NUMBER OF SUBSCRIBERS IN 1863-64.		
	On full Subscription.	On reduced Subscription.	Total.	On full Subscription.	On reduced Subscription.	Total.
Ganjam	17	5	22	23	3	26
Vizagapatam	33	5	38	31	8	39
Godavery	45	286	331	37	390	427
Kistna	31	240	271	28	235	263
Nellore	19	27	46	19	32	51
Cuddapah	5	991	996	7	1,041	1,048
Bellary	10	164	174	9	1,004	1,013
Kurnool	23	340	363	10	299	309
Madras	9	101	110	10	126	136
North Arcot	3	16	19	4	14	18
South Arcot	4	84	88	5	98	103
Tanjore	9	105	114	9	94	103
Trichinopoly	6	130	136	2	128	130
Madura	31	53	84	24	54	78
Tinnevely	11	20	31	11	23	34
Coimbatore	10	207	217	17	321	338
Salem	22	259	281	16	88	104
South Canara	13	24	37	32	400	432
Malabar	34	487	521	33	576	609
Total	375	3,906	4,281	327	4,931	5,258

6. It will be seen that in the five Districts noted in the margin, the number of subscribers to the Gazette shows satisfactorily when compared with other Districts. This, the Board believe, is in a great measure owing to the personal exertions of the Collectors and the other Revenue Officers, in the way of explaining to the people the advantages they will obtain by a perusal of the publication. The Collector of Bellary states that both in Cuddapah and Bellary he availed himself of the opportunity afforded at his annual settlement to have the various orders regarding Police and Revenue administration, vaccination, municipal institutions, sanitary improvements, rates of water tax, plantations, private improvements on land, and irrigation works, and the like, which affect the interest of every agriculturalist and subordinate Revenue Officer in the District, read over and explained to the people, and that the result was that in both Districts the public became fully alive to the advantage to be gained by a perusal of the Gazette, and that large additions to the list of subscribers were made in both Districts. The large number of subscribers in the Godavery, South Canara, and Malabar Districts, is probably owing to similar efforts on the part of the Collectors of those Districts. If the practice adopted by the Collector of Bellary had been followed in other Districts also, the results would doubtless have been equally encouraging. Much can be done in this respect by the Tahsildars of Talooks, as they have many opportunities of making the village servants and others whom they meet acquainted with the useful character of the District Gazette, and of inducing them to become subscribers. The Board rely upon the local officers to use their best endeavors to extend the circulation of these useful periodicals throughout every portion of their respective Districts.

7. In the Order already referred to, the Government observed that it was worth while to consider whether some general improvements could not be made in the arrangements and printing of the Gazette, so as to render it more attractive. The question was referred for the opinion of the Collectors, and most of them have sent replies to the Board's Circular, while others have expressed their opinion in their annual reports for the past year. Some of the Collectors enumerate several topics, which, in their opinion, would render their Gazettes more useful to the public; but most of these subjects are the same as those already prescribed in paragraph 8 of the Order of Government, dated 20th September 1859, which were again enumerated in paragraph 8 of the Board's Circular, dated 25th April 1860. At present numerous Circular Orders and Notices connected with the different departments; all Notifications and Orders of an important nature affecting the interest of the Ryots; Civil and Criminal cases disposed of in the Courts; Notices of all intended Government sales of land; Extracts from the Price Current; and much other matter relating to cultivation, prices and the state of season, are published in the Gazettes. In May 1863, the Superintendent of Police of Coimbatore suggested that all Orders, Notices, &c., connected with the Police administration of the District, should be printed on a separate sheet at the end of the Weekly District Gazette, and that spare copies of this sheet should be furnished to him for distribution to each out-post, forty-eight copies being required weekly. The suggestion having been recommended by the Collector of the District, the Board, in their Standing Circular, dated 15th June 1863, approved the proposal, and sanctioned its adoption in all Districts. They also directed, in the early part of the year, that all the Standing Circulars issued by the Board should be published in the Gazette as a Supplement, with a vernacular translation. The Tamil and Telugu translations of the Circulars are prepared in the Board's Cutcherry, and are furnished to the several Districts to secure uniformity, and to relieve the Collectors' Establishments from the extra work which would be imposed were each District to make its own translation. There is, however, some difficulty in preparing these translations as each Circular is issued, as the Board's Establishment, the work of which has of late been considerably increased, is found unequal to meet these extra requirements as promptly as could be wished. The Board, however, intend to apply to Government shortly for an addition to their Establishment on other considerations, and they will make due provision for this work also when they make the application.

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8. From the above remarks, it will be observed that endeavors have been made to print in the Gazettes every thing which could properly find a place in publications of this description. At the same time, it must be borne in mind that the careful selection of appropriate matter for publication, and the regular issue of the Gazettes in such a form as to type and material as will make them more sightly than they are at present, must always depend on the local officers.

9. As some Collectors truly observe, the District Gazette, which is purely an official publication, must not be converted into a newspaper, though doubtless such a course would render it acceptable to the public. The Collector of Malabar states that Gazettes from their nature must always contain a mass of matter uninteresting to all save officials; and that if Government are desirous of aiding the development of a taste for reading and news among the people, they should give encouragement to private enterprise to start newspapers. The Board are of opinion, that even with purely official matters alone, the Gazettes may be made sufficiently interesting to the public. The Collector of South Canara states that if, in addition to the Board's Standing Circulars the Proceedings of the High Court at Madras, and such of the Proceedings of Government as the Board might think suitable were published, the District Gazettes would be more attractive than at present. He also thinks that if Collectors were authorized to re-print such of the monthly Proceedings of the Board as would prove interesting to the people of their respective Districts, the number of subscribers would increase. There is no doubt value in this suggestion, and the Board see no objection to the occasional publication in the Gazette of their Proceedings, or those of Government containing final orders on revision of assessments, on landed tenure, and on the final disposal of other important questions of a general nature, involving general principles, or on topics conveying any statistical information. The publication of useful and interesting correspondence in the Gazette of the District to which it referred, could not fail to attract attention, and independently of this, another advantage of the proposal is that it will prove a means of increasing the efficiency of the various Revenue Officers in the Talooks by disseminating information more widely among them. Should the Government approve of the proposal, Collectors will be permitted to publish such papers as they deem it advisable to make public, subject, in each case, to the Board's sanction.

10. The Collector of Malabar, after stating that the publication of important Government orders, &c., will render the Gazette more attractive, expresses his doubt whether the results of such improvements would be at all commensurate with the extra labor and expense that would be involved. He observes that some issues of the Gazettes of his District are formidably bulky, and that, speaking of his own Gazettes, he could not introduce such matters as he has mentioned without a material increase of Press establishment and proportionate increase in cost of issue, and circulation. The Board do not concur in this view. They think that every step ought to be taken to render the Gazette as useful and attractive to the officials in Government employ, and to the general public, as circumstances will permit. The Collectors of Tanjore and South Canara state that the Gazettes of their Districts are printed on common French paper. There is no reason for this, as the Board have made arrangements for the supply of good printing paper by the Superintendent of Stationery.

11. The Collector of Madras suggests that one effectual means of obtaining a wider circulation for the Gazette among the people, would be to allow the District Gazettes to be distributed to the public free of postage. He states that the cost of postage exceeds the amount of subscription, and prevents many from becoming subscribers. The Board admit this difficulty, and in their letter dated 16th September 1859, No. 3,701, they brought the circumstance to the notice of Government, and recommended exemption from postage; but the Government in paragraph 3 of their Order, dated 7th October 1859, No. 1,335, declined to accede to the suggestion.

12. The next point that attracted the attention of Government, when reviewing the Board's Press Report for 1862-63, was the little progress made in most Districts, in printing Selections from the Records. The Board regret to observe that there was no improvement whatever in this

respect in the past year. In the Ganjam, Vizagapatam, and Godavery Districts, however, something has been done. In Ganjam, the letter from Mr. Cherry enclosing a Statement of the names of the Zemindaries and of the villages held in Jaghire, and their value was put in type. In Vizagapatam, the Report of the Committee of circuit on Cassimcottah, &c., is in progress. In the Godavery District, the papers relating to the Permanent Settlement have been proceeded with; the figured Statements accompanying the report of the Committee of circuit on the ancient Zemindaries and the Circars of Rajahmundry, &c., which was printed last year, have been completed; the report of the Committee of Circuit on the Havelly lands, &c., dated 18th December 1786, has been nearly completed; and the letter from the Board of Revenue forwarding the instructions laid down by Government for the formation of the Permanent Settlement, dated 15th October 1799, has been also nearly completed.

13. In the other Districts nothing whatever has been done, and in some of them the Board regret to notice that no attempt was even made to select papers from the records. In paragraph 9 of their Circular, dated so far back as 25th April 1860, the Board called for District lists of important and valuable official records to be printed as selections. These lists have been received from a few Collectors only, but as far as received a list has been prepared, which is herewith submitted for the approval of Government. The Collector of the Kistna District has sent in no list with his Annual Report, nor has he replied to the Board's Circular on the subject. In his Press Report for the past year, the Treasury Deputy Collector simply states, that in the year under report, no selections from old records were published in the Gazette as required by the Board, thus indicating a total misapprehension of the Board's intention. The Collector of Nellore states that he proposes going through the records under two main heads, Territorial and Financial, and that a beginning has been made, the further progress of which is stopped by a press of business at present. The Collector has, however, since submitted, with his letter dated 3rd September 1864, a copy of a few selections printed relating to the Territorial History of the District, and has enumerated also some other papers which he proposes to print. These are included in the list which accompanies this report. The style and method adopted in this selection appears to the Board very faulty.

14. The Collector of Bellary stated that it would, in his opinion, be much preferable that Government records, which are intended for sale, should be printed at Madras, and advertized for sale, and supplied to each District from which applications might be received. The Board, however, informed him that the printing of official records was undertaken primarily for official convenience, and not with a view to selling the records to the public.

15. The Collector of Kurnool states, that in consequence of very heavy work in the press, the printing of Selections from the Records has been out of the question, and that he does not think it likely that such work can be taken up for many years. The Collector of Madras merely reports that his Treasury Deputy, Mr. Locke, will not be able to print any Selections from the records, till the English records are brought nearer head-quarters.

16. The reasons generally assigned by the Collectors for not printing Selections, are the large amount of work on hand, especially the printing of the District Gazettes; the want of presses of larger dimensions; the insufficient quantity of type; and the inadequacy of the existing Establishments. The Board are by no means prepared to accept these reasons as satisfactory, and they cannot but conclude from what they have observed, that the present unsatisfactory state of things is chiefly due to indifference on the subject. If the District officers generally had availed themselves to the utmost of the means afforded by the present establishments and printing presses, there is little doubt that at least the same progress might have been made in every District as has been made in some. Some Collectors have not even attempted to select the papers from the records, notwithstanding that their particular attention has been called to the matter both by the Board and Government, and this omission is alone sufficient to shew that the orders passed on the subject have not received the attention which they merited.

17. As regards the alleged want of good Presses, and the insufficiency of Press materials, the Board observe that this difficulty cannot exist in every District, and ought not to exist in any,

for the Collectors were directed, before the commencement of the year under report, to devote any amount of the Press earnings (which were then available for this purpose) that might be necessary to the placing of their Presses in a thoroughly efficient condition, and had this course then been taken in every instance, the grant of Rupees 1,000, which was the current allowance in each District during the year under report, would have been ample for all current expenses, as well as for the payments of the occasional extra establishments which are sometimes entertained. The Collector of South Arcot states his opinion that an expenditure of Rupees 3,000 is necessary to bring his Press Department up to the demands now made upon it, and he alludes to the purchase of a new Press, type, &c.; but the Board are not prepared to sanction such a large outlay all at once. The Press Department can be gradually improved by the annual outlay of the grant in the purchase of plant and other necessities, but lest the case should be exceptional in nature, the Board will make a provision of 2,000 Rupees for South Arcot in the Budget for 1865-66, and if sufficient reasons are hereafter assigned by the Collector, the Board will seek the sanction of Government for the expenditure of this amount.

18. The Board, in communication with the Superintendent of the Government Press, have arranged for the prompt supply of all articles applied for by Collectors when sanctioned by the Board. The Superintendent has lately complained, that owing to the necessary advances not being remitted by Collectors for articles ordered by them, he is put to much inconvenience, as he has to pay the type founders and others. The system of advances by the Collectors from time to time causes confusion in the accounts, and delays adjustments. The Board, therefore, propose, that on the application of a Collector for the supply of any articles, the purchase of which has been sanctioned by the Board, the Superintendent should be authorized to draw on his own receipt, with the Board's counter-signature, from the Madras Bank, such sums (within the amount of the sanctioned estimate) as may be necessary. When the order has been completely executed, and the articles have been packed and despatched, the Superintendent will submit a bill, as at present, for the full amount due. This will be passed by the Board and forwarded through the Civil Paymaster to the Collector, who will at once charge the amount in his accounts under the proper head in the column adjusted, forwarding the amount due to the Superintendent by means of a transfer receipt. On realization of the amount of the transfer receipt, the Superintendent will re-pay to the Bank any advances he may have received under the sanctioned estimate. All advances so made by the Bank will be treated as loans recoverable in cash, and will be debited in the Bank accounts to "Advance re-payable" under 7, Miscellaneous, Public Debt, and the sum advanced will be made good when the amount is received from the Superintendent. If this course is adopted, the Superintendent will be able to effect his purchases without any inconvenience, and the Board accordingly request the sanction of Government to the arrangement.

19. I have already alluded to the inadequacy of the Press Establishment as being generally complained of; but the Collector of Tanjore is the only officer who proposes an addition to it at a monthly cost of Rupees 24, viz., one Pressman on 10 Rupees, and two Compositors on 7 Rupees each, the cost to be defrayed from the annual grant. The Government having, however, in their Order, dated 19th November 1864, No. 2,124, sanctioned a liberal increase to the Press Establishment on the recommendation of the Honorable Mr. Pelly, there can be no more ground for complaint on this point. The Board have lately arranged to print in Madras and supply to authorities at the Presidency, so as to relieve the Collectorate Presses from this labor. They have also directed that forms for the several Talook returns submitted to the Hoozoor, and for the several abstracts and accounts to be kept and prepared in the Hoozoor, shall be printed in the Collector's Press, not only to simplify business, but also to reduce manual labor to a great extent. Most of such forms have now been printed in the Madras Collector's Press under the direction of the Board's Sheristadar, and specimen forms are about to be sent to all other Collectors as a guide.

20. I now come to the financial results of the working of the Presses, which appear to be very satisfactory. It will be seen from Enclosure A. of Statement No. 1, that the total charges

	Rs.	A.	P.	
Fixed establishment	30,958	4	3	ing the year amounted to Rupees 41,818-15-2,
Saderwarid	4,132	9	10	as particularized in the margin. This is only
Extra establishment	513	2	4	38 per cent. of the total value of the work
Repair of Press materials	440	2	7	turned out during the year. It is thus proved
Purchase of stock	5,776	12	2	beyond doubt that the establishment of Presses
	41,818	15	2	

has been very remunerative to Government, the profit on the whole outlay of the year being more than 165 per cent. The charges on account of the fixed establishment should, however, be set against the savings effected in the Revenue establishments, as the work to be done by the Presses for the several Departments was taken into account when the new scale of Revenue Establishments was framed by the Honorable Mr. Pelly, and the number of hands was considerably reduced in consequence of the introduction of printing. The Saderwarid charges for the Presses are included in the Estimate of General Saderwarid sanctioned by Government. The current monthly charges on account of Cotton, Sponges, Coconut-oil, Firewood, and other articles, should alone be entered under Saderwarid; but some Collectors appear to include them under repair and purchase of Press materials, while others include the cost of the repair of Press articles under Saderwarid. The Board, however, intend issuing shortly definite instructions on these subjects, with a set of new forms for the returns suited to the present circumstances of the Presses.

21. The cost of the extra establishments, and of the repair and purchase of Press materials, amounts to only Rupees 6,730-1-1 out of the annual grant of Rupees 19,000 provided in the Budget, the remainder having lapsed to Government at the close of the financial year. The Collectors of Kurnool, Madras, South Arcot, Tanjore, and Coimbatore, laid out in the purchase of type, &c., very nearly the whole of their allotment of the grant, and two of them have even exceeded that sum. The Collectors of Nellore and Malabar incurred a charge of between 500 and 600 Rs. The other Collectors spent little or nothing. Some of these officers have probably already rendered their Presses efficient by the purchase of the necessary articles from the balance of Press earnings which was left at their disposal, and have consequently not found it necessary to incur additional charges from the grant during the past year, but this cannot be the case with all; and with the large balance of the grant unexpended, they can have no right to complain of the insufficiency of Press materials.

22. In the year under report no cash balance was brought forward in the Statement No. 2, as what remained on 30th April 1863 was ordered to be carried to the credit of the State after appropriating such a sum as was found necessary for the purchase of Press materials. The actual receipts during the year for work done for private individuals, from subscription to the District Gazette, and from other items, amount to Rupees 14,070-13-0. The actual transactions of the Press may be taken to stand as follows:—

	Rs.
Amount taken to credit as savings in the Revenue Establishment and Saderwarid	35,089
Actual Collections	14,071
Total	49,160
Charges as shewn in the margin of paragraph 19	41,819
Actual profit to Government... .. .	7,341

If to this the value of work done for the Judicial Department and other Public Offices, which was hitherto realized in cash be added, the profit will be increased to Rupees 19,041, exclusive of the cost of the plant, which is Rupees 5,777.

23. The outstanding balance brought forward in Statement No. 2 includes the value of work charged for Public Departments up to 1862-63. A portion of this sum was realized in some Districts in the past year, and was included with the other collections brought to the credit of Government. The outstanding balance brought forward in the Tanjore Statement is less than that at the end of the previous year by Rupees 53, which sum appears to be the amount overcharged for work done for Public Departments. The Collector should, however, have explained this. The Demand, Collection, and Balance of the several items are given below for the whole Presidency :—

ITEMS.	Outstanding balance at the end of 1862-63.	Demand.	Total.	Collection.	Balance.
	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.
Work done for Public Departments...	2,340	...	2,340	1,764	576
Do. for private individuals...	958	1,986	2,944	2,006	938
Subscription to the District Gazette ...	507	8,770	9,277	8,308	969
Sundry items, such as sale of printed books, &c. ...	132	1,904	2,036	1,994	42
Total...	3,937	12,660	16,507	14,072	2,525

24. At the end of the past official year there still remained a balance of Rupees 576 on account of the demand for work done for Public Departments. Some of the Collectors request sanction for writing off the accounts portions of this sum which are irrecoverable, and as inter-departmental cash payments are now forbidden, the Collectors will be desired to strike off, in their accounts, any such amounts which may now remain uncollected.

25. The demand for work done for private individuals amounted to Rupees 2,944, including the previous year's balance, of which a sum of Rupees 2,006 having been realized, there remained a balance of Rupees 938. The largest balance is in the Kistna and Malabar Districts, being Rupees 411 and Rupees 209 respectively. The Collector of Malabar states, that out of this balance, a sum of Rupees 13-12-0 is irrecoverable, being the value of work performed for the projected Tramway Company, which was afterwards abandoned; but further explanation should be submitted, as it is presumed that the undertaking in question must have had some promoters, who gave the order to the Press for the work, and who are, therefore, liable for its cost. The Collector of Bellary requests sanction to write off Rupees 67-5-3, being the amount embezzled by a Peon attached to his office. The Peon was sentenced by the Court to two years' imprisonment, and the Collector states that there is not the slightest chance of recovering the amount from him. The Board accordingly request the sanction of Government for writing off this sum in the Collector's accounts.

26. The Collector of Madura requests permission to remove, from the demand, the balance of Rupees 72-2-1 outstanding on 30th April 1864. The sum is composed of two items, Demand

Bills and Dāk Bills. The first item, it is stated, consists of the cost of forms to be used on occasion of sales of property of Ryots for arrears of revenue, as it has been customary to charge the price of the forms to the defaulters' account, in addition to the arrears outstanding against them. The second is the cost of the Dāk Bill forms which are supplied to the several Talook authorities, and the cost of which is collected when they are used for the service of travellers passing through the District. The Collector recommends the removal of this latter amount from the demand on the understanding, that as the sales are effected, the proceeds shall be carried to the credit of Government. The Board consider, however, that the course proposed in both cases is unauthorized and objectionable, and the Collector will be instructed not to make any such charges hereafter. He will be directed to remove the amount from the demand.

27. The collections on account of subscription to the District Gazettes shew an increase of Rupees 2,146 over those of the previous year. In the Godavery, Cuddapah, Bellary, South Canara, and Malabar Districts, there was a great improvement. Out of the whole demand of Rupees 9,277, including the previous year's outstanding balance, a sum of Rupees 8,308 was collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 969, which is distributed among the Districts noted in the margin. The balances are large in four of these Districts, but it is stated that steps have been taken for their early realization.

Godavery ...	2
Nellore ...	9
Cuddapah ...	326
Kurnool ...	193
Madras ...	103
South Arcot ...	300
Trichinopoly ...	80
Coimbatore...	6
	969

No. 1.—STATEMENT shewing the operation of the several Collectorate

Showing the operation of the several Collectorate									
REVENUE									
DISTRICTS.	Office work.		District Gazette.						
	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.	Total number of issue.	Number of copies.					Total.
				Free.	On payment.				
					Full subscrip- tion.	Reduced sub- scription.	Total.		
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	
1. Ganjam	316	1,500	60	7,696	1,234	154	1,388	9,084	
2. Vizagapatam	400	1,933	55	5,893	1,878	449	2,327	9,220	
3. Godavery	302	2,366	70	9,283	2,616	27,332	29,948	39,231	
4. Kistna	205	1,194	55	7,533	1,582	12,945	14,527	22,060	
5. Nellore	585	3,054	87	11,506	1,399	3,100	4,499	16,005	
6. Cuddapah	204	1,317	72	8,549	515	75,057	75,572	84,121	
7. Bellary... ..	352	1,189	52	6,758	449	51,992	52,441	59,199	
8. Kurnool	142	782	52	5,233	520	15,554	16,074	21,307	
9. Madras	669	3,805	53	6,157	540	6,699	7,239	13,396	
10. North Arcot	600	2,439	59	8,142	214	801	1,015	9,157	
11. South Arcot	277	3,481	53	6,625	265	5,034	5,299	11,024	
12. Tanjore	299	1,882	93	8,730	467	4,865	5,332	14,062	
13. Trichinopoly	396	1,275	109	10,314	286	13,991	14,277	24,591	
14. Madura	432	2,943	53	6,883	1,292	2,863	4,155	11,038	
15. Tinnevelly	195	1,346	77	9,867	839	1,817	2,656	12,523	
16. Coimbatore	118	1,165	51	7,260	837	16,346	17,183	24,443	
17. Salem	739	3,296	52	6,234	829	4,551	5,380	11,614	
18. South Canara... ..	210	1,121	53	5,581	1,680	21,170	22,850	28,431	
19. Malabar	240	1,533	66	11,637	2,149	37,891	40,043	51,680	
Total...	6,681	37,621	1,222	1,50,881	19,591	3,02,614	3,22,205	4,73,086	

Presses in the Madras Presidency during 1863-64.

DEPARTMENT.				JUDICIAL DE- PARTMENT.		OTHER PUBLIC OFFICES.		TOTAL GOVERN- MENT WORK.		PRIVATE WORK.		TOTAL.	
Value in Rupees.	Selections from Re- cords.		Total value in Rupees.	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.
	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.											
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
2,938	1	57	4,495	85	321	31	142	493	4,958	54	221	547	5,179
2,482	1	171	4,586	251	808	59	266	766	5,660	23	45	789	5,705
2,769	15	232	5,367	97	350	18	69	502	5,786	23	183	525	5,969
2,863	...	...	4,057	43	121	53	137	356	4,315	28	138	384	4,453
4,691	...	...	7,745	59	216	101	519	832	8,480	33	35	865	8,515
5,458	...	...	6,775	71	334	53	205	400	7,314	17	26	417	7,340
4,229	...	...	5,418	21	46	29	113	454	5,577	139	488	593	6,065
2,509	...	...	3,291	201	495	25	252	420	4,038	25	79	445	4,117
2,317	...	...	6,122	15	86	36	172	773	6,380	2	9	775	6,389
2,305	...	...	4,744	186	406	77	200	922	5,350	1	2	923	5,352
1,710	...	...	5,191	110	611	100	330	540	6,132	5	8	545	6,140
3,797	...	...	5,679	104	531	64	594	560	6,804	14	47	574	6,851
2,557	...	...	3,832	12	49	93	348	610	4,229	3	5	613	4,234
4,071	...	...	7,014	49	215	130	511	664	7,740	38	113	702	7,853
2,906	...	...	4,252	73	175	69	290	414	4,717	9	29	423	4,746
3,787	...	...	4,952	42	96	35	121	246	5,169	29	30	275	5,199
1,886	...	...	5,182	169	601	89	430	1,049	6,213	40	156	1,089	6,369
2,235	...	...	3,356	10	40	21	239	294	3,635	13	50	307	3,685
3,397	...	...	4,930	120	303	137	990	563	6,223	84	320	647	6,543
58,907	17	460	96,988	1,718	5,804	1,220	5,928	10,858	1,08,720	580	1,984	11,438	1,10,704

STATEMENT shewing the Charges of the several Collectorate Presses during 1863-64.

DISTRICTS.	CONTINGENCIES.					Grand Total.
	Fixed Estab- lishment.	Saderward.	Extra Estab- lishment.	Repair of Press mate- rials.	Purchase of Stock.	Total.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Ganjam ...	1,821 5 9	...	...	2 0 0	12 7 0	1,835 12 9
2. Vizagapatam ...	1,668 0 0	60 0 0	...	17 0 0	...	1,745 0 0
3. Godavery ...	1,617 2 4	...	...	34 2 6	...	1,745 0 0
4. Kistna ...	1,630 8 4	...	...	110 9 9	26 2 0	1,885 2 11
5. Nellore ...	1,597 0 0	47 7 5	33 6 2	13 6 0	...	1,774 8 3
6. Cuddapah ...	1,611 12 9	778 3 10	77 9 10	68 10 6	446 8 8	2,181 15 11
7. Bellary ...	1,607 2 4	816 0 6	65 6 2	66 15 4	20 0 0	2,534 11 1
8. Kurnool ...	1,634 2 0	60 15 0	...	1 2 0	...	2,555 8 4
9. Madras ...	1,614 8 8	92 6 0	...	...	996 0 0	2,692 3 0
10. North Arcot ...	1,608 4 8	33 14 8	...	...	927 9 10	2,634 8 6
11. South Arcot ...	1,619 3 7	250 0 0	114 0 1	101 11 0	707 5 0	1,642 3 4
12. Tanjore ...	1,633 0 0	429 11 1	...	...	1,000 0 0	2,792 3 8
13. Trichinopoly ...	1,624 11 5	72 3 11	...	...	...	1,728 13 11
14. Madura ...	1,617 6 8	74 0 9	...	...	...	1,689 10 7
15. Tinnevely ...	1,624 11 11	1,124 14 5	...	8 4 6	1,019 13 0	1,678 14 5
16. Coimbatore ...	1,663 0 0	12 0 0	129 8 0	13 13 0	41 8 0	3,777 11 10
17. Salem ...	1,556 6 2	146 15 7	...	...	...	1,864 13 0
18. South Canara ...	1,598 0 0	65 9 2	29 8 0	...	...	1,703 5 9
19. Malabar ...	...	...	...	...	544 15 8	2,239 0 10
Total...	30,956 4 3	4,132 9 10	513 2 4	440 2 7	5,776 12 2	41,818 15 2

No. 2.—Statement shewing the Receipts of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency during 1863-64.

DISTRICTS.	DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE.					
	Outstanding balance at the close of 1862-63.	On account of Private work.	Subscription to the District Gazette.	Sundry Receipts.	Total Demand.	Total of columns 2 and 6.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Ganjam ...	5 8 2	221 4 3	71 12 0	218 14 8	511 14 11	517 7 1
2. Vizagapatam ...	110 0 0	44 9 7	89 2 0	151 10 6	285 6 1	395 6 1
3. Godavery ...	216 14 6	182 7 0	678 11 0	8 10 2	869 12 2	1,086 10 8
4. Kistna ...	531 6 0	138 7 0	331 1 2	12 2 0	481 10 2	1,013 0 2
5. Nellore ...	94 14 10	35 7 9	93 1 0	44 15 0	173 7 9	268 6 7
6. Cuddapah ...	160 10 1	25 15 5	1,577 10 0	83 12 6	1,687 5 11	1,848 0 0
7. Bellary ...	114 6 11	487 8 2	1,745 15 0	41 6 6	2,274 13 8	2,389 4 7
8. Kurnool ...	236 15 11	78 15 6	470 10 6	8 0 0	552 10 0	789 9 11
9. Madras ...	332 7 0	9 3 6	213 1 0	...	222 4 6	554 11 6
10. North Arcot ...	...	2 1 9	112 14 7	...	115 0 4	115 0 4
11. South Arcot ...	282 9 0	8 0 0	161 4 0	5 0 0	174 4 0	456 13 0
12. Tanjore ...	449 1 2	46 6 9	274 11 0	...	321 1 9	770 2 11
13. Trichinopoly ...	225 2 9	4 7 9	221 8 3	41 13 6	267 13 6	493 0 3
14. Madura ...	134 2 0	113 5 0	136 3 0	98 4 0	347 12 0	481 14 0
15. Tinnevely ...	92 14 9	29 1 6	56 14 0	...	85 15 6	178 14 3
16. Coimbatore ...	186 15 4	29 3 8	518 11 0	...	548 3 8	735 3 0
17. Salem ...	339 12 7	156 4 1	178 6 6	28 2 6	362 13 1	702 9 8
18. South Canara ...	...	49 14 6	805 8 0	890 15 7	1,746 6 1	1,746 6 1
19. Malabar ...	421 15 2	323 11 1	1,033 0 10	274 12 9	1,631 8 8	2,053 7 10
Total...	3,935 12 2	1,986 6 3	8,770 0 10	1,903 12 8	12,660 3 9	16,595 15 11
						14,070 13 0
						2,525 2 11

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No. 20. ORDER THEREON, 3rd April 1865, No. 718.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Report of the Board of Revenue on the operations of the Collectorate Presses during 1863-64, recorded above, shews satisfactory results. The number of papers printed in that year was 11,438, of the value of Rupees 1,10,704, against 9,535, of the value of Rupees 92,034, the work done in the previous year. The progressive increase during the last eight years, pointed out in paragraph 3 of the Board's Report, is a practical proof of the usefulness of these Presses.

2. Under the item "Private work" there was a small decrease. The chief cause assigned for this is, the full occupation of the Presses on work belonging to the public offices. Mr. Reade's statement that the European residents resort to the Presses of Madras, where work can be done in better style than at a District Press, was doubtless correct when made, but with the liberal expenditure since incurred, and the efficient establishments now provided, the work done in the Districts should not be of an inferior description. The Government have frequently noticed the inferior character of the work executed in some of the Collectorate Presses, but this ought to be remedied, and whatever is undertaken must be done neatly and correctly. At the same time the Government have no desire that these official Presses should compete with private enterprise.

3. The Government notice with pleasure the increasing circulation of the District Gazettes. The number of copies issued in 1863-64 was 4,63,862 against 3,75,907 in the previous year.

Ganjam. North Arcot.
Vizagapatam. Madras.
Nellore. Tinnevely.

The Districts noted in the margin do not, however, shew any improvement, though the attention of the Collectors was specially called to the subject in the Proceedings of Government, dated 16th December 1863, No. 2,310. The increase in the circulation of the Gazette in the Districts noticed in paragraph 6 of the Report shews clearly what useful influence the Revenue officers of the Districts can exercise in this respect, if they only give their attention to the subject. The circulation in the Districts of Kurnool and Salem is falling off, and the cause of this should be ascertained.

4. The publication in the Gazette of the Board's Standing Circular Orders, with trustworthy translations furnished from the Board's Office, is a decided improvement. The Circular Proceedings of the High Court might be similarly promulgated with advantage. The Proceedings of the Board of Revenue when of general interest might also be inserted in the Gazette with the Board's sanction, previously obtained in each case. The permission of the Government must similarly be obtained for publishing their Proceedings, unless in the usual course these form a part of the Board's Circular, or have been laid on the Editor's table. The size of the Gazette should not, however, be increased to such an extent as to retard the other work of the Press, or to render additional establishment necessary.

5. The Government observe that very little has yet been done in the way of printing Selections from the District Records, and the list of papers proposed for publication shews that the object of Government has been misapprehended by some officers. It was intended that the Presses, when at leisure, should print valuable old records of the Districts, throwing light on the early settlements, and other subjects of importance. The printing of such papers as the Board's Circulars, pamphlets on the culture of Indigo, &c., can be done more cheaply and easily at Madras.

6. The little progress made in this matter, and the largely increased work devolving on the Presses, lead the Government to doubt whether it will not be better to print these Selections at Madras. The choice of papers to be printed would be left to the Collectors, who would employ any of their Covenanted or Uncovenanted Assistants, having leisure and taste for the duty, to prepare the papers for publication. The Board will report on this subject after consulting the Collectors.

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7. The Accountant General will be requested to give his opinion on the suggestion made by the Board in paragraph 18, to enable the Superintendent of the Government Press to draw advances from the Madras Bank.

8. The financial result of the working of the Presses during the year under report is satisfactory. The total ordinary charges amounted to Rupees 41,819, and the total assets to Rupees 49,160. The profit was Rupees 7,341. If the value of the work done for the several Public Departments, for which no charge is made, be taken into account, the net profit will be Rupees 19,041. The cost of plant purchased in the year was Rupees 5,777.

9. Sanction is granted for writing off Rupees 67-5-3 (the amount embezzled by a Peon) from the accounts of the Collector of Bellary.

10. The Board have properly instructed the Collector of Madura not to make any charge for the printed forms used in the collection of revenue, and in posting bullocks, &c., for travellers.

11. The large balances in the Districts noted in the margin, on account of subscriptions for the District Gazette, should not have been allowed to accumulate.

Cuddapah, Madras.
Kurnool, South Arcot.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

Settlement.

List of Selections from Records proposed to be printed in each District

District	Selections from records proposed to be printed	Remarks.
Ganjam.	1. A short account of the Purlangherry Zemindary.	Taken in hand.
	2. Revenue Report for the year 1789 with Statements.	
	3. Full Report on the cor Village Police of the District.	Proposed in the Collector's Preface Report for 1863/64.
	4. The Governor General's enquiries respecting the effect of the Permanent Settlement.	
Vizagapatam.	1. Report of Committee of Circuit of Raipur Kottah.	Completed except Statement.
	2. The Old Telugu accounts of Permanent Settlement.	Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 6 th February 1864.
Godavery.	1. Report of the Committee of Circuit on the Hawali lands and Farms dated 18 th December 1786.	Completed except a Statement.
	2. Report of the Committee of Circuit on the ancient Zemindary in the Sarkar of Rajahmundry, Ellore and Condapullu dated 15 th February 1787.	Completed.
	3. Letter from the Board of Revenue dated 15 th October 1799 forwarding the Instructions laid down by Government for the formation of the Permanent Settlement.	Nearly Completed.

Godavery (Continued)

Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 12th September 1862 and approved in the Board's Proceedings dated 27th April 1863 No. 2454.

you wd. have to print
95 pages of fresh paper
misunderstanding matter
I wd. assume that the
Col. has carefully
arranged the matter

Enclosure.

1 Extract from the Report of
the Special Commissioner re-
lating to the Settlement of
the Zaminclaries of Pittapur,
Ram and Peeldapuram as
dated 27th September 1802.

5. Report from Mr Skinner Collector of the 2^d Division to the Board of Revenue on the resources of the 2^d Division, dated 10th July 1800.

6.... D^o..... D^o..... D^o dated
28th July 1800.

7...^D:...^D:...^D:...^D: dated
13^d August 1800.

8. ... 20. ... 20. ... 20. dated
27th August 1800.

9^o. 10^o. 11^o. 12^o. date of
10^o: August 1802.

10. Report from Mr. Breinfill
Collector of the 3^d Division to the
Board relating to the Settlement
of his Division.

11. Letter from the Secretary to the Special Commission to the Collector of the 2^d Division relating to the Permanent Settlement of the 3^d Division, Extract from the Proceedings of the Special Commission Paras 96 to 109 dated 27th September 1802.

12. Letter from the Collector of the 2^d Division to the Secretary to the Special Commission dated 13th May 1803.

Districts

Godavery (Continued)

13 Letter from the Secretary
to the Special Commission
dated 30th May 1803.

Enclosures.

1 Extract from the Report
of the Commission Paras
3 to 46 dated 29th April
1803 on the Settlement of
the 2^d and 3^d Division

2. Extract from the Minutes
of Council dated 6th
May 1803.

3. Advertisement.

4. Special condition of Sale.

5. Extract from the Report
of the special Commission
dated 29th April 1803.

6. Extract from the Minutes
of Council dated 6th May
1803-

1800-

14. Report of Mr. F. W. Robertson
regarding the Perma:
nent Settlement of
Delasa, Jamipulli and
Bantumilly Villages
dated 24th March 1823.

Enclosure.

Address of Ramojibhai &
Two Enclosures therein

15. From the Board to the Col.
= lector dated 10th November
1823.

Enclosures.

From the Board to Government
dated 16: October 1823 N: 436.

From Government to the
Board of Revenue dated
7th November 1823 No 669.

Flustra

Nothing proposed.

Remarks.

10

Proposed in the Collector's letter
dated 12th September 1862 and
approved in the Board's Pro:
ceedings dated 27th April 1863
No. 2454.

Selections from records
proposed to be printed

Remarks.

1. Papers relating to the Territorial History of the Districts } Completed.
2. The first Jummabundy report to be followed by the Reports on the Jaghires and Mr. Stratton's report on the Western Poligars.
3. Statement of particulars of Stellore Pargana coming under paragraph 34 of Mr. Travers's Jummabundy Report for Fasli 1211, dated 5th June 1802.
4. D^o of Gandaveram and Durum Parganas forming the subject matter of Paras 49 to 56 inclusive in D^o.
5. D^o of Saravapelli, Cottavaram, and Chennor Gummur Parganas described in Para 59 of D^o.
6. D^o of Calavoy Mahemalare, Gudluru, Candur, and Pakala Parganas, the cultivation, produce, &c. of which are enlarged from paras 80 downwards in D^o.
7. D^o Enamanaimellore and Chendalare Parganas, the subdivision of Ongole spoken of from paras 99 downwards in D^o.
8. A^o 15 Statement of the sale & division of Salt during the late management as also of the duty collected.
9. Abstract Statement of the Stellore and Ongole Districts for Fasli 1211.

Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 3rd September 1864 and approved in the Board's Proceedings dated 28th Sept. 1864. A^o 6333.

Selections from records
proposed to be printed

Remarks.

1. Letter dated 25th August 1805 from the Collector of Cuddapah to the Board of Revenue regarding the Settlement of the Cuddapah Districts by Co-lates.
2. Letter dated 20th June 1806 enclosing the answers of the Collector of Cuddapah to a paper of queries sent to him by the Private Secretary to the Right Honourable the Governor regarding a Permanent Settlement.
3. Letter dated 30th November 1806 from the Collector to the Board containing an explanation of the manner in which the Individual Settlement is made in answer to a letter of the Board dated 9th September 1806.
4. Letter dated 30th June 1811 containing the observations of the Collector of Cuddapah on the Board's Minute dated 9th May 1811.
5. Letter dated 18th April 1812 from the Collector to the Board containing his remarks on the Board's letter with Enclosures dated 26th March 1812.
6. Proceedings of the Board regarding the Changes from Ryotwar to Village Settlement.
7. Letter from the Board dated 13th May 1811 containing their remarks on the report of the Collector dated 17th Jan. 1811 along with a copy of a Minute recorded in the Board's Proceedings dated 9th May 1811.

Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 21st March 1864 and approved in the Board's Proceedings dated 5th April 1864. A^o 2011.

Selections from records.
proposed to be printed.

Remarks.

Cuddalore (Continued)

8. Letter from the Board dated 26th March 1812 containing 3 Enclosures relating to the proposed Settlement of the Land Revenue.

9. Letter from the Board dated 18th July 1811 containing 2 Reports of the Collector of Bellary regarding the proposed Settlement of Land Revenue and also a copy of the Board's Minute dated 27th June 1811.

10. Letter from the Board dated 31st August 1811 containing copy of Extract from the Board's Proceedings dated 12th Aug^r 1811.

11. Report of Surgeon C. J. Smith of the Mysore Commission on the effect of Taxes on the climate & productiveness of a country.

12. Selections from the Records of the Madras Government No. XLV, a Memorandum regarding the Cultivation and Manufacture of Indigo.

13. An Essay on the Culture and Manufacture of Indigo.

14. Notes on Cotton Farming &c. explanatory of the American & East Indian methods by B. Wright No. D.

Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 21st March 1864. and approved in the Board's Proceedings dated 5th April 1864 No. 2011.

Proposed by the Collector in his report on the operation of the Preps for 1862/63.

1. Sir Thomas Munro's report on the Policy of resuming the usurped Privileges of the Poligar Chiefs, in its effect on the administration and general peace and welfare of the District dated 20th March 1803.

Bellary.

Selections from records
proposed to be printed.

Remarks.

Madras.

1. Papers detailing accurately in the whole story of the late Stabob Goolam Ruffool in Khan Bhadur's insane proceedings by which he and his family lost his Valu: = able Territory 18th.

Proposed by the Collector in his letter dated 26th April 1864 No. 62, but disapproved by Government in their order dated 9th June 1864. No. 983.

Madras.

Nothing proposed

North Arcot.

1. Paras 2 to 4, 81 to 84, 90 to 93 and 129 to 134 of Extract Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 16th November 1815.

2. The History of the family of Jamshi Vencata purthy Jager Poligar of Plun = gundly.

3. Mr W. Cook's report on with a concise history of the several Jagheris in the District dated 15th October 1822.

Proposed by the Collector in his letter dated 12th July 1864 No. 147, but the Board in their Proceedings dated 24th October 1864. No. 7008 approved the papers No. 2 and 3 being printed.

South Arcot.

1. Report of the late Chief in Council of Cuddalore of 30th June 1775 about the farm of Teruandipuram.

2. D. of D. about the Farm of Fort St. David.

3. A report by Mr. Lewis dated 17th October 1787 on the state of the District forwarded to the late Honorable Court of Directors.

Selections from records
proposed to be printed.

Remarks.

4. A Report by the Board of Revenue dated 6th February 1807 to Lord William Bentinck containing full particulars regarding Cuddalore and Perovandipooram.
5. Mr. Collector Cockburn's Report about Barumahal in 1803.
6. A detailed account of the Dutch Settlement in India containing full of interesting information.
7. Mr. Garrows' Settlement Report in 1805.
8. Reduction of aforesment in the Ten Hulus Taluqs, two Southern Taluqs on the Survey, and aforesment of Chikadi Kollimalay and Shungarapuram Jaghires.
9. Civilly Inams, Woodiar, pollum and Pichavaram Dutta Inams.
10. Tenures of all descriptions of Inams, Putubadi Inams.
11. Extra Water rate and 2nd crop aforesment.
12. Davastanams.
13. Mr. Fallfield's letter, and subsequent correspondence relative to the Motta Estates.

Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 3rd September 1864 and approved by the Board in their Proceedings dated 12th September 1864 N^o 5941.

Selections from records
proposed to be printed.

Remarks. 13

1. Papers relative to the revision of aforesment.
2. Papers relative to the Extra remission granted in Fasli 1262-63-65 & 67.
3. Papers relative to the introduction of the Field in aforesment in Fasli 1238.
4. Correspondence on the subject of the Marasi right as far as this District is concerned.
5. D^o relating to the introduction of the field aforesment which passed in 1838 and previous years.
6. D^o to the permanent remission of certain solumtums or Extra cesses levied in addition to the fixed Malwarum 1856/57.
7. D^o to the extension of the Mitta faisal Settlement 1859 and 1860.
8. The several circulars of the Board with orders of Government received in 1860 & since regarding yearly remissions.

Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 19th January 1859 N^o 11 and approved by the Board in their Proceedings dated 2nd March 1859 N^o 779.

Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 18th March 1864 and approved by the Board in their Proceedings dated 8th April 1864. N^o 2104.

Nothing proposed

1. Mr. Lushington's report on the introduction of the Permanent Settlement of Rammad and Shevayunga zemindaries together with the Board's Proceedings & the Government's Order thereon.

Proposed in the Collector's letter dated 28th July 1864. N^o 188.

Districts

Selections from records
proposed to be printed.

Remarks.

2. Mr. Hurd's first Report on
the Settlement of Madura
and Dindigul Districts
together with the Board's Pro-
ceedings for Feb. 1211.

Proposed in the Collector's letter
dated 28th July 1864.

3. Correspondence connected with
the reduction of assessment
on Tanjore Cultivation.

Completed.

4. D. connected with the Tax
imposed on the lands in
the Pulni Hill.

5. D. connected with the reduc-
tion of assessment on
Garden Cultivation of the
District.

Proposed in the Collector's letter
dated 28th July 1864 No. 188.

6. D. ... D. ... on Tinjore lands
in 7 Villages in the Taluqs
of Madura and Mayhem
called (Baran Commi)

7. Correspondence regarding the
Taxation of Trees & Cops.

Completed.

8. Correspondence connected with
the reduction of
assessment in 3 Villages
in Sub. Division i-e, Coimbatore
Srinamanni and
Mankincottay in Tenkay
Talug.

Proposed in the Collector's
letter dated 28th July 1864
No. 188.

9. Correspondence connected
with the Forest.

Madura (Continued)

Tanjore

Nothing

Coimbatore District

Selections from records
proposed to be printed.

Remarks.

14

Nothing proposed.

Salem.

1. Colonel Reader's report dated
14th April 1800 on Sta-
= tistics of the Salem
District.

Proposed in the Collector's letter
dated 3rd May 1864 No. 77 and
approved by the Board in their
Proceedings dated 22nd April
1862.

South Canara.

1. A pamphlet called the
Land assessment and the
Land Tenures of Canara
compiled by Mr. Chamier
in 1853.

Proposed in the Collector's letter
dated 22nd February 1864, No. 32.

Malabar.

1. Mr. Graham's General
Report on Malabar.

2. Colonel Munro's report on
D. dated 4th July 1817.

3. Bombay Commissioners' report on
D. dated
28th July 1801.

4. Mr. Robinson's report on
Wynad.

Proposed in the Collector's
Pres Report for 1863/64.

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Enclosed in a letter from the
Secretary to the Bd of Revs to
the Secy to Government A.S.
dated 9th January 1865 No 84.

Rev/b5 No 94

List of Selections from
Records proposed to be printed
in each District.

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Rev Dept
8-718
Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 3rd of 1865.

Read the following
letter from the Sub Secy
to the Bd of Revs -

Submitting Report
on the operations of the Col-
lectorate Presses during 1863-64. - (Here enters of the Law 1865
No 84)

and "At once advised"
The receipt of the
Board of Revenue on the
operations of the Collecto-
rate Presses during 1863/64
resulted about shows
satisfactory results. The
number of papers printed
in the year 1863/64
of the value of Rs 1,10,000
against 9,535 papers of the
value of Rs 92,034, the
work done in the previous
year.

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year. The progressive increase during the last eight years, pointed out in para 3 of the Board's report, is a practical proof of the usefulness of these Presses.

2. Under the item "Private work" there was a small decrease. The chief cause assigned for this is the full occupation of the Presses belonging to the Public Offices. ~~The Government cannot afford to print the statements of Mr. Resident, that the European residents resort to the Presses of Madras where work can be done in a better style than at~~

at a local District Press has not less credit than when made, but with the likelihood after the larger expenditure that has since been incurred, and the efficient establishment now provided, the work done in the Districts should not be of an inferior description. The Government have frequently noticed the inferior character of the work presented by some of the Presses in the Districts, but this ought to be remedied, and this is not creditable to them. Whatever is done must be done neatly and correctly.

At the same time the fact has to be borne in mind that these official Presses should compete with private Enterprises

3. The Government notice with pleasure the increasing circulation of the District Gazettes. The

The number of copies of
~~issued in 1863~~
 4,103,862 against 3,75,907
 in the previous year. The
 Districts noted in the
 margin do not however
 show any improvement,
 though the attention of
 the Collectors was specially
 called to the subject in the
 Proceedings of Government
 dated 16th December 1863
 No. 2310. The increase
 in the circulation of the
 Gazette in the Districts
 noticed in para 6 of the
 report shows clearly what
 useful
 wholesome influence the
 Revenue Officers of the
 Districts can exercise
 in this respect, if they
 only give their attention
 to the subject. The
 circulation

Ganjam
 Vizagapatam
 Bellare
 North Arcot
 Madurai
 Tinnevely.

circulation in the Districts
 of Kurnool and Salem is
 falling off, and the cause
 of this should be ascertained.

The publication in
 the Gazette of the Board's
 standing Circular orders
 with trustworthy translation
 furnished from the Board's
 office is a decided improvement. The Circular Proceedings
 of the High Court might
 be similarly promulgated
 with advantage. The Proceedings
 of the Board of Revenue
 when of general interest
 might also be inserted in
 the Gazette with the Board's
 sanction, previously obtained
 in each case. The permission
 of the Court must be obtained
 for publishing their Proceedings
 unless in the usual course
 these form a part of the
 Board's Circulars, or have
 been laid on the Editor's
 table.

table. The size of the Gazette should not however be increased to such an extent as to retard the other work of the Press, or to render additional establishment necessary.

5. The Govt observes that very little has yet been done in the way of printing selections from the District Records, the list of papers proposed for publication shows that the object of Govt has been misapprehended by some officers. It was intended that the Presses when at leisure should print valuable old records of the Districts throwing light on the early settlements and other subjects of importance. The printing of such papers as the Board's circulars pamphlets

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pamphlets on the culture of Indigo &c can be done more cheaply and easily at Masrur.

6. The little progress made in this matter and the largely increased work devolving on the Presses lead the Govt to doubt whether it will not be better to print these selections at Masrur. The choice of papers to be printed would be left to the Collectors who would employ any of their Covenanted or Uncovenanted Assistants, having leisure and taste for the duty to prepare the papers for

for publication. The Board will report on this subject after consulting the Collector.

7. The Accountant General will be requested to give his opinion on the suggestion made by the Board in para 18, to enable the Superintendent of the Govt. Press to draw advances from the Madras Bank.

Bank.

8. The financial result of the working of the Press during the year under report is satisfactory. The total ordinary charges amounted to Rs 4,819 ^{and} against the available total assets of Rs 49,160. The profit was Rs 7,341 ~~Rs 19,041~~ ^{of the nominal}.

* be taken into account the net profit will be Rs 19,041.

If the value of the work done for the General ^{Public} for which no charge is made. The cost of plant purchased in the year was Rs 5,777.

9. Sanction is granted for writing off Rs 67-6-8 the amount reimbursed by a person from the accounts of the Collr of Bellary.

10. The Board have ~~very~~ properly instructed the Collr of Madras not to ~~sub-~~ ^{make} ~~but~~ from the ~~particular~~ ^{make} ~~con-~~ ^{correct} any charge for the printed forms used in the collection of Revenue and in

in posting bullocks &c
for travellers-

14. The large balance
in the cts noted in the mar-
gin on account of sub-
scriptions for the district
Saxette should not have
been allowed to accumu-
late-

Cuddapah-
Kurnool-
Marras-
South Arcot-

P^o of Rev. Secy April

Judicial Dept^y

Accountant Gen^l

Civil Pay Master

Revenue 1865 Department
Pro. of the Govt for April

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" 291-292
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" 101-102
9-6-64
" 240-242
19-11-64

Pro of the Madras Govt.
J/3. April/65.

From the Lt. Auditor & Secy to
Govt. J/3. April. 1865 to 1866.

Pro of the Board of Revenue
65 C/21/3.

Pro D. 25 Sept/65
C No. 2402 m.

19/8/20

Resuming the re-
port of the operations of
the Collectorate Revenue
during 1863/64.