

Average Bazaar prices of Grain and Salt, per Madras Garce, and Rain Report of all the Districts of the Madras Presidency for the month of *September* 1868, Fussy 1278.

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PRICES OF GRAIN AND SEA SALT.														RAIN-FALL.				
DISTRICTS.	2nd Sort Rice.		2nd Sort Paddy.		Cholum.		Raggy.		Horse Gr. m.		Sea Salt.		Northern Section.	Southern do.	Eastern do.	Western do.	Average.	
	Fully 1277.	1278.	1277.	1278.	1277.	1278.	1277.	1278.	1277.	1278.	1277.	1278.						
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.						
Northern Section.	Ganjam	265	188	107	177	148	107	158	111	182	113	292	279	6.30	3.80	7.10	6.30	5.80
	Vizagapatam	281	206	81	84	110	89	92	106	144	110	272	274	9.10	4.00	5.90	5.75	6.08
	Godavery	223	177	104	80	121	98	118	78	140	49	259	250	4.62	5.00	3.60	4.00	4.30
	Kistna	360	281	167	124	214	157	188	122	201	144	274	257	4.62	5.52	6.36	6.61	6.53
	Nellore	368	325	171	155	231	166	187	146	269	178	257	258	2.46	1.98	1.62	0.73	1.70
Ceded Districts.	Cuddapah	466	475	211	235	281	261	252	242	267	258	293	322	1.20	6.04	4.98	4.80	4.91
	Bellary	472	429	200	183	254	167	248	155	292	167	468	411	5.80	5.70	5.40	2.00	6.70
	Kurnool	495	421	222	180	212	192	183	178	239	210	346	344	9.60	6.50	4.66	7.18	6.73
East Centre.	Madras	425	448	185	222	246	261	298	227	328	280	262	267	2.08	7.00	9.75	3.03	1.46
	North Arcot	379	418	170	201	275	230	251	238	264	258	292	246	3.00	6.20	3.80	3.90	4.90
	South Arcot	364	371	147	170	225	244	241	196	250	266	254	264	5.20	2.76	3.68	2.38	3.02
Cauvery.	Tanjore	408	344	190	164	236	364	215	177	276	268	298	250	1.07	3.77	2.10	4.30	4.06
	Trichinopoly	450	406	205	193	211	234	211	195	252	283	279	300	5.70	6.43	4.18	7.02	5.93
Southern Section.	Madura	512	510	286	244	243	234	241	214	288	346	285	281	3.91	3.92	1.43	2.89	3.14
	Tinnevely	483	449	215	208	218	221	214	230	290	367	277	325	1.82	1.93	3.33	1.40	2.10
West Centre.	Coimbatore	484	441	219	233	235	333	233	268	249	341	352	337	5.87	0.83	2.83	1.29	2.70
	Nilghevies	540	581	"	"	400	355	320	400	320	400	457	400	"	"	"	"	7.87
	Salem	443	420	198	194	244	240	258	222	242	282	309	300	6.43	4.00	6.01	4.00	5.74
West	South Canara	306	328	147	142	"	"	278	241	278	331	252	252	9.10	5.10	8.50	4.90	6.90
	Malabar	340	410	160	192	"	"	283	221	290	340	298	330	4.13	4.48	3.21	3.40	3.90

REMARKS ON THE SEASON.

Northern Section. The rain-fall in this circle was *scanty on the whole.*
 In Ganjam, *Raggy* was being harvested and the yield expected to be an average one.
Sugar-Cane, Rholl, Horse-gram and Paddy

were in good condition. Tobacco had been sown.

In Vijayapatnam, the rainfall was so limited that it did not much benefit the standing crops. Raddy especially suffered from drought to a serious extent.

In the Godavery District, the Yileru and the Godavery received slight freshes and the Ancient Channels were full. Wet cultivation under tanks and channels was completed.

Dry Raddy suffered severely from drought and Raddy transplanted was, in certain taluqs, withered owing to incessant winds. The Gingelly crop had been harvested and the yield reported to be good. The Dry food grains, such as Cumbar, Varago, Raggy, Korra, and Chama had been reaped, but the out-turn was below the average. The wet crops in the Upland taluqs stood in need of rain. Sugar-Cane was thriving and the cultivation of Jonna and Cotton progressing. The sowing of the later dry crops, such as Horse-grain, Black-grain, and Green-grain had

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Commenced. Pasture was abundant.

In the Kistna District, the early dry crops such as Mokha Jonna, Sugga etc. were being reaped. The staple Jonna was thriving, but black Raddy was withering from insufficiency of rains. Cotton and Indigo crops were doing well. Fields were being prepared for cultivation of Lysa or late crops.

In Koller, a few tanks received supplies of water and slight freshes came down the Renair more than once. Sunnawari, Lishanini, Lewarakorra, Arigga, Oilseeds, Korra & Cotton were being sown. Fields in some taluqs were being ploughed. Crops, under rain-fed tanks in parts of the District, were reported to be withering owing to the insufficiency of rains. Sugga Nullava

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and Gonajouna were being cut.

Prices were rising in Ganjam and Vijagapatam, slightly fluctuating in the Godavari District, almost stationary in the Kistna District and falling in Kellore.

The sanitary condition of this Circle was tolerable, except in Vijagapatam, where Small-pox and fever prevailed throughout the District. Cattle were suffering from disease.

There was a good fall of rain in this Circle. Ceded District.

In Cuddapah, the rain fall was highly beneficial to the standing crops and to those yet to be sown. Sugar Cane in Volpand taluq was doing better than in the previous month. The later crops of Cumbers, Corra, Indigo &c. had been harvested, but the out-turn was rather

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the full yield. All the tanks in the District had received fair supplies of water.

In Bellary, Cotton, Corra, Raddy, Hoosie-gram and White-Cholum had been sown in parts of the District. The standing crops were looking well and harvesting had just commenced in some taluqs.

In Kurnool, Cotton, Indigo and fonne were sown. Korra and Sijja had been cut in some taluqs. The early crops were suffering from blight in some localities.

Rices were stationary except in Bellary, where they had fallen.

Fever, Small-pox and Ague were prevalent in parts of Cuddapah and Kurnool. In Bellary, both men and

Cattle

Cattle were free from disease.

The rainfall in this circle was good, East Centre except in Madras, where there were but slight showers.

In Madras, Ranjah & Kanjah crops were withering for want of water. By the freshes in the Kumbakal Channel, a few tanks in the Congeravaram taluk had received small supplies of water. Want of pasture and water for cattle was much felt.

In North Arcot, Kor, Lamba, and Raddy had been sown in Kanjah and Osloonda, Green-fram, Teragor, Cholum, Hoore-fram and Kamba, in Rinja lands. Raggy & Groove-nut had been sown. The standing crops were promising in places where the rainfall was timely and withered and drooping where otherwise. Raddy, Raggy, Cholum, Kamba

Cannery.

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Kamba, Geingelly and Indigo had been harvested, but the out-turn was poor and below the average.

In South Arcot, slight freshes came down the Perinai and Coleeroon and the river fed tanks received supplies of water varying from 1 to 4 months. The cultivation of Cumbers, Raggy, Geingelly, Oil-seeds and Indigo on dry lands, as also the wet cultivation of Cass and Lamba had been in progress in parts of the District.

Prices were fluctuating.

Public health was on the whole good.

Cattle suffered from disease. In the Wandavash and Rohu taluqs of North Arcot, more than 300 head of cattle had died from Murrain.

The rainfall in this circle was scanty.

In Tanjore, the water supply fell short of the requirement, but cultivation on the whole did not suffer seriously thereby. The dry crops, however, were affected by the total absence of rains in some localities and by their scantiness in others.

In Trichinopoly, there was a fair supply of water in all the irrigating channels. Samba Raddy in the irrigated and Raggy, Kambu and Varago in the unirrigated lands were being cultivated. Karnway Raddy, Kambu, Sholam & Raggy were being harvested.

Rices were stationary.

Public health good. Cattle were free from disease.

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Southern Section.

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There was a scanty fall of rains in Madura, while heavy showers fell in the Northern and Southern taluqs of the Erimevelly District.

In parts of Madura, Raddy and Raggy were cultivated. Cumboo, Samar, Cholum, Varago and Gingelly were raised in some localities on Lingah lands. The crops, in such places as had the benefit of rains, were healthy, and in others, drooping. Cotton and Indigo plants were fading.

In Erimevelly, Ker Raddy had been harvested in the Western taluqs. There was loss of crops in the Eastern taluqs from

from want of water. Lands were being prepared for the Reshaim Crop.

Rubbis health was good.

Prices were fluctuating in Madure and stationary in Tinnevely.

Rain fell in these Districts. It was plentiful on the Nilgherries.

West-Centre

In parts of Coimbatore, Cumbar and other crops were withering for want of sufficient rain. Cotton Crops in Bhovany and Perandray taluqs were looking well.

Raggy was in good condition. The Har Raddy crops under the Bhovany were in ear and Lumba under the Ambavutti and Bhovany was transplanted. The tanks in the Bollingal taluq received full supplies. Forage was easily procurable.

On the Nilgherries, the dry

dry crops, Corally, Shamay, and Raggy were throwing out ears. The Potatoes plants were healthy. Coffee was yet unripe.

The tanks, throughout the Salem District, received but a partial supply of water. Horse-grass, Osbondu, Lamai, Cumbar, Raggy, Gingelly Oil - seeds and Raddy were cultivated in all parts of the District. The standing crops were doing well except in two taluqs, where they were reported to be withering from insufficiency of rains. Cumbar, Lamai, Varago, and other dry grains were harvested in many parts of the District, but the out-turn was not satisfactory. Cotton

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and Indigo plants were looking well. The latter had been harvested in one taluk.

Prices were rising in Coimbatore and on the Neilgherries. They were fluctuating in Salem.

Public health was on the whole good.

The rain fall in this section was scanty. West.

In South Canara, the standing crops and the second rice cultivation were benefitted by the rains that fell. The first rice crop was being harvested.

In parts of Malabar, the scarcity of rain, affected the Langah and Magaram crop cultivation and retarded the sowing of the latter.

Prices rose slightly in South Canara, but were stationary in Malabar. Public health on the whole was good.

Statement of Cotton and Indigo cultivation, with their Market prices for the month of September 1868 Fyaly 1278

Districts.		COTTON.				Market rate of cleaned Cotton per candy of 500 lbs.	INDIGO.				Market rate of cake Indigo per maund of 25 lbs.
		Fyaly 1277 .		Fyaly 1278 .			Fyaly 1277 .		Fyaly 1278 .		
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Acres.	Ra.	Acres.	Ra.	Ra.	Acres.	Ra.	Acres.	Ra.	Ra.
1	Ganjam	3378	7464	6113	11236	174	1	6	30	30	54
2	Vizagapatam	13170	28679	11292	25337	120	1314	936	1181	7758	34
3	Godavery... ..	362	1162	664	1772	120	156	386	308	939	44
4	Kistna	72653	92069	65361	91540	99	2487	8146	5456	10138	44
5	Nellore	7033	8067	9449	9654	93	9231	22946	15748	36520	49
6	Cuddapah... ..	42639	52315	33539	41121	72000	11099	56738	7468	16200	70000
7	Bellary	118120	130631	165910	185481	97	449	804	1961	2210	62
8	Kurnool	145781	170248	128715	154153	90	3747	10916	19526	39257	63
9	Madras	9	13	"	"	98	2986	6704	6164	16869	50
10	North Arcot	1218	2910	1561	3406	138	8976	19265	7121	15620	52
11	South Arcot	4081	9230	858	1909	52	31216	52006	23694	45263	28
12	Tanjore	946	986	584	718		764	2420	315	1129	"
13	Trichinopoly... ..	1270	1677	747	868	101	20	25	70	207	19
14	Madura	19293	27625	8779	16364	100	34	62	24	62	36
15	Tinnevely... ..	2412	1897	3433	2949	128	29	79	30	55	31
16	Coimbatore	42592	38087	50118	42346	104	"	"	"	"	27
17	Salem	9212	12403	7846	11506	146	930	2559	877	3547	37
Total...		487669	590321	494566	600360	--	73408	194622	90070	195262	"

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Madras, 27 October 1868.

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Secretary.

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Chief Secretary to the
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To

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