

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th February 1868.*

No. 166. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th February 1868.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Tinnevely, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Perungalam, 30th January 1868, No. 40:—

1. In reply to your Memorandum No. 87, dated 22nd instant, I have the honor to inform you that but little rain fell in this district during the months of November and December. The smaller rain-fed tanks were consequently dried off, and the crops under them withered. There was an almost entire absence of dew during these months, and the gram, cumbu, and cholam suffered severely; the gram in fact was quite a failure, but fortunately heavy rain has fallen at a most unusual season, viz., from the 22nd to 28th of January, in time to save part of the cumboo and cholam; the fresh down the river was heavy, twelve feet at Strivycuntam, and every tank in the valley of the Tambrapurni has now plenty of water; this has saved the rice crop, and prices have fallen twenty per cent. in consequence. The rain-fed tanks too are well filled up, and there will be pasture and water for the cattle until we have the showers that usually occur in March and April.

2. The cotton crop has benefited much by the rain, and will shortly be in bud; the palmyras too, on which so many people in this district depend for food, are expected to yield a large crop of jaggery this year.

3. Some dry lands are now being ploughed for a crop of gingelly-oil seed, and from the quantity of water stored in tanks and soaked into the soil, the garden crops are likely to be very superior this year.

4. On the whole, though the rain came six weeks too late, it has done an immense deal of good, and has saved the growing crops; the crops that were past saving when rain fell are the pulses in dry land and rice under small rain-fed tanks.

Submitted for the information of Government.

No. 167. ORDER THEREON, 8th February 1868, No. 360.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Relief Committee.
,, W. Robinson, Esq.
,, the Editors' Table.

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Mr. Secy. to Govt.

Submitting for
information of Government,
report on the season and
state of the crops in
Tinnevely District.

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