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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 18th February 1868.

No. 361. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th January 1868, No. 666 :—

From Ganjam, dated 15th April 1867.
,, Vizagapatam, dated 30th April 1867.
,, Godavery, dated 17th April 1867.
,, Kistna, dated 9th May 1867.
,, Nellore, dated 17th April 1867.
,, Cuddapah, dated 17th April 1867.
,, Bellary, dated 21st May 1867.
,, Kurnool, dated 14th June 1867.
,, Madras, dated 4th June 1867.
,, North Arcot, dated 7th June 1867.
,, South Arcot, dated 29th April 1867.
,, Tanjore, dated 19th April 1867.
,, Trichinopoly, dated 11th June 1867.
,, Madura, dated 13th May 1867.
,, Tinnevelly, dated 3rd May 1867.
,, Coimbatore, dated 4th May 1867.
,, Salem, dated 13th June 1867.
,, South Canara, dated 27th April 1867.
,, Malabar, dated 13th May 1867.

1. On a review of the foregoing letters, the Board resolve to submit their Annual Report on the operations of the Collectorate Presses of this Presidency for 1866-67, comprising eleven months from the 1st May 1866 to 31st March 1867, and to submit the usual Statements showing the character and value of the work done by them.

2. The results shown in these Statements are generally satisfactory. The annexed abstract, prepared from General Statement No. I, exhibits a net increase of Rupees 7,656 in the value of work turned out during the eleven months of 1866-67, compared with that turned out during the twelve months of 1865-66:—

Items.	1865-66.		1866-67, eleven months.		Comparison.	
	Number of papers.	Value of work.	Number of papers.	Value of work.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Office work...	8,322	44,957	8,368	48,757	3,800	...
District Gazette...	1,233	85,759	1,157	89,532	3,773	...
Selections from Records ...	2	80	50	386	306	...
Judicial Department... ...	2,302	6,627	1,727	5,422	...	1,205
Other Public Offices... ...	1,774	9,241	1,992	8,879	...	362
Private work	860	1,940	1,226	3,284	1,344	...
Total... ...	14,493	1,48,604	14,520	1,56,260	9,223	1,567
				Net... ...	7,656	

3. The increase is chiefly due to additional work performed for the Collectors' Cutcherries, and involved in printing District Gazettes, for which the Presses seem to have been more freely used than in the previous year in most of the districts. The Board are glad to notice the efforts of the Collectors of Tinnevelly and Godavery districts in effecting a vast extension in the circulation of the District Gazettes among the villagers. The progress of Nellore is confined to ten additional subscribers, though the attention of the Collector has been specially drawn to the subject by the Board and Government.

4. In Tinnevelly especially they have noticed with approval the efforts which the Collector makes to render the publication interesting to its readers. The brief notices of interesting cases

tried by the Session Court, and the information with regard to plantation and so forth, which appear from time to time, are judicious and well calculated to carry into effect the wishes of Government The statement given below, which exhibits a comparison between the year under review and that preceding it, shows that, with the exception of the six districts noted in the margin, the number of subscribers to the District Gazettes, is far from satisfactory:—

Godavery... ...	819
Cuddapah... ...	1,083
South Arcot ...	769
Tinnevelly... ...	1,963
South Canara ...	744
Malabar	777

Districts.	1865-66.			1866-67.			Number of Government villages in the District.
	Full Subscribers	Reduced Subscribers	Total.	Full Subscribers	Reduced Subscribers	Total.	
Ganjam	32	48	80	50	67	117	1,410
Vizagapatam	38	25	63	39	33	72	160
Godavery	51	584	635	89	730	819	973
Kistna	22	409	431	30	521	551	1,307
Nellore	12	57	69	14	67	81	871
Cuddapah	15	1,058	1,073	31	1,052	1,083	1,070
Bellary	36	1,188	1,224	39	1,077	1,116	2,295
Kurnool	27	329	356	35	372	407	697
Madras	20	371	391	41	399	440	1,708
North Arcot	12	361	373	22	237	259	2,917
South Arcot	6	834	840	5	755	760	2,997
Tanjore.....	24	478	502	50	636	686	4,799
Trichinopoly	6	164	170	12	184	196	1,256
Madura	40	235	275	62	161	223	782
Tinnevelly	32	341	373	86	977	1,063	1,099
Coimbatore...	29	544	573	38	543	581	1,534
Salem...	26	204	230	34	257	291	2,604
South Canara	55	674	729	81	663	744	1,278
Malabar	52	595	647	108	669	777	433
Total .	535	8,499	9,034	866	9,400	10,266	30,190

5. As the Board have often remarked an ordinary amount of exertion on the part of District officers (more especially at the time of Jummahbundy) would suffice to increase the sphere embraced by this useful medium of communication. Village officers should be made to feel, that it is a part of their duty, which will not be dispensed with, to render themselves acquainted with the orders and instructions contained in the District Gazette, and that they cannot do this to the satisfaction of their superiors without subscribing to it. The reduced rates of subscription are very low, and copies of the Gazette can be obtained with such facility through the Tahsildars, that few Village officers can have a valid excuse for not seeing it. The Collectors of Bellary and North Arcot attribute the falling off in the number of subscribers to the fact that the Gazette is published, in a dialect which forms the language of only a portion of the population. In Bellary, the Board presume that all village accounts and all correspondence between the Village officers and Talook officers is kept in the Telugu, and it is therefore hardly worthwhile to publish any matter in Canarese for the sake of a few private subscribers. In North Arcot, however, Tamil is in use in all the Southern talooks, and it is therefore desirable to publish important orders and notices in that language also. The Collector of North Arcot promises a report on the manner in which the difficulty can best be met, and the Board will give full consideration to his proposals.

	Value of work turned out. Rs.
1857-58	28,186
1858-59	42,298
1859-60	53,262
1860-61	64,166
1861-62	81,284
1862-63	92,034
1863-64	1,10,794
1864-65	1,32,414
1865-66	1,48,604
1866-67, (eleven months)	1,56,260

6. The value of work turned out by the Presses shows that they are becoming more generally useful year by year.

7. No progress appears to have been made in printing selections from records, except in the three districts noted in the margin. The insufficiency of type, abundance of current work in the offices of Collectors, and other ordinary circumstances are still pleaded; but as the Government have observed, they do not furnish a valid excuse. Some of the Collectors have not even made the preliminary inquiries and submitted the lists of selected records for the approval of the Board, though the omission, on their part, has often been noticed by the Board and Government. A list of the selections which have been printed is given below:—

Nellore.
North Arcot.
Salem.

Godavery.
Cuddapah.
Madura.
Kistna.

NELLORE.—Letter to William Petre, Esq., on the Personal Revenue and total Military Estates of Poligars.

Registers bearing annual Revenue with details as to occupation, assessment average yield and price.

NORTH ARCOT.—Mr. G. Stratton's Report on the Western Polliems.

SALEM.—Colonel Read's Report on the Original Settlement of Salem in 1791-96.

8. Statement No. 2 shows a demand of Rupees 18,840, or Rupees 714 in excess of the previous year. From an abstract, which is entered below, there appears to have been a total demand of 21,942 Rupees inclusive of the balance of the previous year. Of this sum a balance of Rs. 3,967 remained uncollected at the end of the year:—

Items.	Balance at end of 1865-66.	Deduct remission.	Remainder in the beginning of 1866-67.	Demand of 1866-67.	Total Demand.	Collection.	Balance.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Work done for private individuals...	811	5	806	3,223	4,029	2,737	1,292
2. Subscriptions to District Gazettes...	2,185	0	2,185	14,723	16,909	14,320	2,589
3. Sundry items	113	3	110	894	1,004	918	86
Total...	3,109	8	3,101	18,840	21,942	17,975	3,967

9. The demand on account of "Private work," inclusive of the balance of previous years, amounted to Rupees 4,029, of which Rupees 2,737 was realized during the year, leaving a balance of Rupees 1,292. Of this sum more* than thirty per cent. stood against the Kistna district at the close of 1866-67, but the amount was subsequently collected with the exception of Rupees 68-2-0, which has been written off, as irrecoverable under the sanction contained in the Board's Proceedings, dated 12th August 1867, No. 5,192. The Collectors of South Arcot and Tanjore have taken steps to recover the arrears in their districts. The Collector of Tinnevelly reports that a large portion of the balance in his district has been recovered since the end of the year. The Collector of Trichinopoly states that Rupees 47-5-3 of the balance is irrecoverable, and for the reasons assigned by him, the Board direct that it be written off the accounts. The Collector of Salem asks permission to strike off the sum of Rupees 3-9-10 from the accounts. This has already been accorded in paragraph 9 of the Board's Annual Report for 1865-66.

* Rupees 447-15-11.

	RS.	A.	P.
South Arcot	195	6	6
Tanjore	117	5	4
Tinnevelly	206	0	6

10. The demand for the year on account of subscription to the District Gazettes amounted to Rupees 14,723, or Rupees 281 below that of the preceding year. The difference is accounted for by the fact that the year comprised only eleven months. The demand including the previous year's balance amounted to Rupees 16,909, of which Rupees 14,320 was collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 2,589 at the end of the year. Of this Rupees 1,059 stood against South Arcot, but most of it has since been collected. The greater part of the rest of the balance is found in the four districts noted in the margin. The Collector of Salem reports that a portion of the arrears has been subsequently realized. The other Collectors do not allude to the subject. Their attention is drawn to paragraph 5 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 21st May 1867, No. 3,125, and they are requested to adhere to the rule laid down by Government in paragraph 5 of their Order, which accompanied those Proceedings.

	Rs.
Kistna	479
Madras	391
North Arcot	108
Salem	318

11. The balance under "Sundry items" is very trifling.

			Rs.	A.	P.
Fixed Establishment			39,391	4	5
Saderward			2,729	1	7
			42,120	6	0
Extra Establishment	652	15 4			
Repair and materials	373	14 1			
Purchase of Stock	8,362	12 9			
			9,389	10	2
			51,510	0	2

12. A reference to the Enclosure A. of Statement No. 1 will show that the total charges incurred on account of the District Presses during the year, amounted to Rupees 51,510 as particularized in the margin, or thirty-three per cent. on the value of the actual work turned out by them, against nearly thirty-six per cent. in the preceding year.

13. The total cost of Extra Establishment and of the repair and purchase of materials was Rupees 9,389, and fell short of the sum provided in the Budget, namely, Rupees 14,250. The Collectors of the districts noted in the margin, however, exhausted nearly the whole of their allotments, and some of them exceeded the amounts provided for in their Budgets.

* Vizagapatam.
Nellore.
North Arcot.
Tanjore.
Trichinopoly.
Madura.
Salem.

14. There is a decrease of Rupees 3,461 under Fixed Establishment, which is owing to the shortness of the official year. The Saderward charges exceeded the Budget allotments by Rupees 829. In Tanjore alone they amounted to Rupees 1,035, or Rupees 936 more than the Budget grant; but this was because the Collector erroneously included Rupees 1,010, the price of Goa and Double-Double Pott-paper purchased for District Gazettes. The other items do not call for remarks.

15. On comparing the income and expenditure connected with the Government Presses for the year, the Board find that the value of the work performed is calculated at Rupees 1,56,260, and that, after deducting Rupees 51,510 for charges, Rupees 1,04,750 is shown as the net profit of Government. Even if the work done for the Revenue Department is left out of the calculation, there is a clear profit of Rupees 22,886 as shown below:—

Amount available to meet the cost.

		Rs.
1.	Amount taken to credit as savings in the Revenue Department... ...	42,120
2.	Actual cash collections	17,975
3.	Value of work done for the Judicial Department...	5,422
4.	Do. for other offices	8,879
		74,396
	Deduct charges—vide particulars in paragraph 9	51,510
	Profit to Government... ...	22,886

The cost of plant was Rupees 8,863.

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16. Two Collectors apply for new Presses, and others complain of delay in the supply of types. These are points which should form the subject of separate correspondence, and should not be treated in an annual report.

17. The Collectors of the districts noted in the margin mention that the Registers of the Presses were duly kept in the form prescribed by the Board; but no allusion is made to them in the other reports, though the Board directed that this point should be always noticed in paragraph 17 of their Proceedings, dated 12th December 1866, No. 8,802. The attention of Collectors is again called to this requirement.

Godavery.
Bellary.
North Arcot.
Madura.
Tinnevelly.

18. With a view to expedite work in the talooks, the Board circulated specimen printed forms of accounts, abstracts, &c., so far back as May 1865, requesting each Collector to furnish, for their inspection, printed copies of the forms from his own Press. Only the Collectors of the districts noted in the margin have responded to the call, and some of them did not do so without allowing a considerable period of time to elapse. The Board trust that this work, so earnestly and repeatedly called to the attention of Collectors, will no longer be delayed. The Collectors of North Arcot and Salem state that the forms have beens truck off, but they have not submitted copies for the Board's inspection.

Godavery.
Kistna.
Bellary.
Cuddapah.
South Arcot.
Madura.
Tinnevelly.
Coimbatore.
South Canara.

No. 1.—Statement showing the operation of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency, during the official year 1866-67.

Districts.	Revenue Department.											Judicial Department		Other Public Offices.		Total Government Work.		Private Work.		Grand Total.	
	Office Work.		District Gazette-						Selection from Records.												
			Number of copies.																		
				On payment.																	
	No. of papers.	Value in Rupees.	Total No. of issue.	Free.	Full Subscription.	Reduced Subscription.	Total.	Total.	Value in Rupees.	No. of papers.	Value in Rupees.	Total value in Rupees.	No. of papers.	Value in Rupees.	No. of papers.	Value in Rupees.	No. of papers.	Value in Rupees.	No. of papers.	Value in Rupees.	No. of papers.	Value in Rupees.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		Rs.							Rs.		Rs	Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
1. Ganjam	580	3,178	48	5,823	2,354	3,175	5,529	11,352	4,216	.....	.....	7,394	66	178	110	642	804	8,214	89	179	893	8,393
2. Vizagapatam	486	4,048	48	6,017	2,008	1,640	3,648	9,665	3,526	.....	.....	7,574	84	311	37	209	655	8,094	31	45	687	8,139
3. Godavery	311	2,647	101	14,137	8,853	73,651	82,504	96,641	6,269	.....	.....	8,916	46	242	42	169	500	9,327	80	240	580	9,567
4. Kistna	186	1,535	49	6,472	1,448	25,530	26,978	33,450	3,465	.....	.....	5,000	143	554	78	384	456	5,738	24	112	480	5,850
5. Nellore	607	5,797	120	13,949	1,713	7,756	9,469	23,418	4,887	14	169	10,853	110	367	136	1,245	987	12,465	58	207	1,045	12,672
6. Cuddapah	243	1,769	48	5,731	1,494	50,492	51,986	57,717	7,057	.....	.....	8,826	73	262	61	169	425	9,257	113	223	537	9,480
7. Bellary	373	2,860	48	8,654	1,871	51,899	53,770	60,424	6,001	.....	.....	8,861	51	138	125	390	597	9,389	10	22	607	9,411
8. Kurnool	183	682	48	4,965	1,644	17,934	19,578	24,543	3,855	.....	.....	4,537	35	121	43	201	309	4,859	130	119	439	4,978
9. Madras	691	3,745	48	5,751	1,975	19,190	21,165	26,916	2,171	.....	.....	5,916	44	203	67	350	850	6,469	3	34	853	6,503
10. North Arcot	1,042	3,333	48	6,266	1,084	11,402	12,486	18,752	3,323	30	118	6,774	200	362	208	363	1,528	7,499	21	32	1,549	7,531
11. South Arcot	503	1,806	47	6,490	243	35,418	35,661	42,151	2,568	.....	.....	4,374	83	182	94	444	727	5,000	53	145	780	5,145
12. Tanjore	441	2,517	69	7,822	2,395	31,054	33,449	41,271	6,803	1	10	9,330	188	637	100	614	799	10,581	133	613	932	11,194
13. Trichinopoly	328	999	129	11,896	1,526	23,724	25,250	37,146	4,350	.....	.....	5,349	16	36	131	381	604	5,766	66	123	670	5,889
14. Madura	524	3,298	48	6,146	2,992	7,616	10,608	16,754	3,583	.....	.....	6,881	76	274	187	671	835	7,826	89	375	924	8,201
15. Tinnevelly	214	233	67	8,773	5,720	65,154	70,874	79,647	5,025	.....	.....	6,258	40	252	89	281	410	6,791	81	245	491	7,036
16. Coimbatore	183	1,422	49	7,025	1,874	26,611	28,485	35,510	5,363	.....	.....	6,785	48	168	179	464	459	7,417	70	78	529	7,495
17. Salem	915	3,665	47	5,603	1,602	12,673	13,675	19,278	3,960	4	46	7,671	237	717	138	962	1,341	9,350	68	113	1,409	9,463
18. South Canara	305	2,426	48	5,980	3,795	31,892	35,687	41,667	7,757	1	43	10,626	10	49	54	547	418	11,222	34	160	452	11,382
19. Malabar	253	1,297	47	9,232	5,070	31,462	36,532	45,764	5,853	.....	.....	6,750	177	569	113	393	590	7,712	73	219	663	7,931
Total...	8,368	48,757	1,157	1,44,732	49,661	5,27,673	5,77,334	7,22,066	89,532	50	386	1,38,675	1,727	5,422	1,992	8,879	13,294	1,52,976	1,226	3,284	14,520	1,56,260

Enclosure A to No. 1.

Statement showing the Charges of the several Collectorate Presses during the official year 1866-67.

Districts.	Fixed Establishment.	Saderward.	Contingencies.				Grand Total.
			Extra Establishment.	Repair of Press Materials.	Purchase of stock.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Ganjam	2,342 0 0	107 13 11	... ...	0 12 0	566 5 4	567 1 4	3,016 15 3
2. Vizagapatam	2,067 12 5	122 0 10	77 12 6	18 8 6	706 15 0	803 4 0	2,993 1 3
3. Godavery	2,050 1 1	84 7 1	62 12 7	11 2 0	2 8 0	76 6 7	2,210 14 9
4. Kistna	2,068 0 0	75 4 0	22 15 9	7 12 0	300 5 4	331 1 1	2,474 5 1
5. Nellore	2,066 13 5	55 0 3	27 10 0	48 2 4	752 11 0	828 7 4	2,950 5 0
6. Cuddapah	2,067 0 0	50 2 9	... ...	6 10 0	407 11 4	414 5 4	2,531 8 1
7. Bellary	2,150 0 1	89 8 0	295 9 0	60 0 0	... ...	355 9 0	2,595 1 1
8. Kurnool	1,898 3 7	77 4 6	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	1,975 8 1
9. Madras	2,065 6 5	29 0 0	... ...	... ...	7 12 0	7 12 0	2,102 2 5
10. North Arcot	2,054 4 11	82 10 5	... ...	... .	769 6 0	769 6 0	2,906 5 4
11. South Arcot	2,068 0 0	181 3 6	... ...	61 10 9	... ...	61 10 9	2,310 14 3
12. Tanjore	2,068 0 0	1,035 9 9	... ...	8 6 0	740 9 2	748 15 2	3,852 8 11
13. Trichinopoly	2,060 13 7	36 11 10	... ...	... ...	753 13 1	753 13 1	2,851 6 6
14. Madura	2,067 0 0	51 2 9	... ...	101 8 0	1,393 6 0	1,494 14 0	3,613 0 9
15. Tinnevelly	2,059 2 3	100 6 10	4 4 6	2 0 0	155 13 0	157 13 0	2,317 6 1
16. Coimbatore	2,042 8 11	184 4 9	9 4 8	31 1 6	448 10 6	484 0 6	2,710 14 2
17. Salem	2,061 8 9	130 3 11	... ...	7 5 0	813 4 0	829 13 8	3,021 10 4
18. South Canara	2,067 5 8	162 8 6	... ...	... ...	507 11 0	507 11 0	2,737 9 2
19. Malabar	2,067 3 4	73 10 0	152 10 4	9 0 0	36 0 0	197 10 4	2,338 7 8
Total ...	39,391 4 5	2,729 1 7	652 15 4	373 14 1	8,362 12 9	9,389 10 2	51,510 0 2

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Sub-Secretary.

No. 2.—Statement showing the Receipts of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency during the year 1866-67.

Districts.	Demand.								Collections during the year.	Balance.
	Outstanding balance at the close of 1865-66.		Deduct amount of irrecoverable balances written off.		Remainder.	On account of Private work.	Subscription to the District Gazette.	Sundry receipts.	Total.	Total of columns 4 and 8.		
	Actual balance.											
1	2		3		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	Rs.	A. P.
1. Ganjam	3	9 0	...	... ...	3	179	0 0	224	0 8	600 13 8	597	8 9
2. Vizagapatam	21	6 0	...	... ...	21	45	6 0	1	5 0	199 11 0	116	12 6
3. Godavery	49	7 0	...	... ...	49	239	13 1	71	6 6	1,547 8 7	1,523	15 11
4. Kistna...	886	7 6	...	... ...	886	112	8 8	89	0 0	1,765 7 2	795	2 6
5. Nellore...	4	6 0	...	... ...	4	207	3 6	23	15 9	358 4 3	325	11 3
6. Cuddapah	293	7 9	2	1 0	291	223	6 2	25	2 5	2,030 9 4	2,019	4 9
7. Bellary...	39	2 3	3	0 0	36	22	1 6	41	3 0	1,983 5 9	1,960	4 9
8. Kurnool...	182	1 9	...	... ...	182	119	3 2	4	10 1	890 8 0	780	15 8
9. Madras...	244	13 0	...	... ...	244	33	10 0	1	1 0	914 1 0	522	4 0
10. North Arcot.	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	32	6 1	...	... ...	404 6 1	279	11 9
11. South Arcot.	748	2 3	...	... ...	748	145	3 0	...	... ...	1,941 14 3	652	12 6
12. Tanjore...	15	6 0	2	4 0	13	613	2 0	10	11 6	2,073 15 6	1,909	12 2
13. Trichinopoly	101	10 3	...	... ...	101	123	0 7	55	10 0	2,057 1 6	1,900	12 2
14. Madura...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	335	3 9	28	12 6	557 13 10	456	10 1
15. Tinnevelly	141	9 6	...	... ...	141	245	2 0	3	7 9	745 14 9	745	14 9
16. Coimbatore	73	10 10	...	... ...	73	78	3 8	7	12 0	1,194 13 9	1,133	5 9
17. Salem...	204	4 9	...	... ...	204	113	6 3	...	... ...	911 7 8	923	10 6
18. South Canara	149	13 6	0	10 0	149	156	4 4	353	4 8	533 10 9	740	15 6
19. Malabar	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	219	6 0	0	8 8	1,474 14 0	1,624	1 6
										1,227 14 8	1,227	14 8
Total... ...	3,109	5 4	7	15 0	3,101	3,223	9 9	893	15 6	18,840 9 3	17,975	8 9
							14,733	0 0		21,941 15 7		3,966 0 10

(Signed) J. GROSE,
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No. 362.

ORDER THEREON, 18th February 1868, No. 452.

Miscellaneous.

1. From the foregoing Proceedings of the Board of Revenue reviewing the reports of the several Collectors on the operations of the Collectorate Presses during the eleven months of the official year 1866-67, it appears that there has been a net increase of Rupees 7,656 in the value of work turned out during the eleven months as compared with the out-turn in 1865-66.

In 1865-66 the number of papers printed was 14,493, and the value of work done was Rupees 1,48,604; during the eleven months under review 14,520 papers were printed, and the value of work done amounted to Rupees 1,56,260.

2. The circulation of the District Gazettes has risen from 9,034 in 1865-66 to 10,266 in 1866-67. There has been a considerable increase in circulation in the following districts: the Godavery, Ganjam, the Kistna, Tanjore, Malabar, and notably in Tinnevelly. In Nellore scarcely any progress has been made, notwithstanding that the backwardness of this district was specially noticed by the Board and by Government in reviewing the results of last year's operations. In Cuddapah, Bellary, and North Arcot, there has been a falling off in the number of subscribers, which is attributed by the Collectors of the latter two districts to the Gazette being published in a dialect which is the language of only a part of the population.

3. The Government regret to observe that, notwithstanding the instructions issued by them and by the Board of Revenue, no progress has been made, except in Nellore, North Arcot, and Salem, in printing selections from valuable records, while the same excuses which have been before held to be invalid are again urged by several Collectors. The Board will call on the Officers mentioned by them as not having submitted lists of selected records for the approval of the Board, to furnish explanation of their disregard of the repeated orders of Government.

4. The Government are glad to learn that the sums due on account of private work have been realized more promptly than in former years, and approve of the Board's sanction to write off as irrecoverable the several sums noted in paragraph 9 of their Report.

5. Deducting from the total value of work done Rupees 51,510 for charges, the result shews a net profit to Government of Rupees 1,04,750, or excluding the work done for the Revenue Department, a clear profit of Rupees 22,866.

6. The Government note with displeasure that the Collectors of many districts are again reported to have disregarded the orders of Government and of the Board directing them to furnish printed copies of forms for Talook Accounts, and to keep the Press Register in the forms prescribed by the Board. The Government trust that they may not again be called upon to enforce attention to these points.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Enclosing the Rpt of the Bd of Revr to the Secretary to Govr N. D. dated 28 January 1868 No. 588.

Collectors Price Reports
for the year 1866/67.

= Value

No. 8,802.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 12th December 1866.

Read the following letters, reporting upon the working of the District Presses during the year 1865-66 :—

From	Collector of Ganjam,	dated	18th May	1866, No.	943.
Do.	„ of Vizagapatam,	„	28th do.	„ „	52.
Do.	„ of Godavery,	„	16th do.	„ „	98.
Do.	„ of Kistna,	„	2nd August	„ „	271.
Do.	„ of Nellore,	„	22nd May	„ „	145,
recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 8th August, 1866, No. 5,481.					
Do.	„ of Cuddapah,	dated	28th May	1866, No.	79.
Do.	„ of Bellary,	„	5th June	„ „	109.
Do.	„ of Kurnool,	„	13th September	„ „	189.
Do.	„ of Madras,	„	14th June	„ „	180.
Do.	„ of North Arcot,	„	2nd „	„ „	142.
Do.	„ of South Arcot,	„	23rd July	„ „	149.
Do.	„ of Tanjore,	„	17th May	„ „	115.
Do.	„ of Trichinopoly,	„	2nd July	„ „	130.
Do.	„ of Madura,	„	2nd June	„ „	182.
Do.	„ of Tinnevelly,	„	15th May	„ „	192.
Do.	„ of Coimbatore,	„	13th June	„ „	159.
Do.	„ of Salem,	„	16th June	„ „	194.
Do.	„ of South Canara,	„	22nd May	„ „	80.
Do.	„ of Malabar,	„	9th June	„ „	176.

1. The Board proceed to submit to Government their Annual Report on the operations of the District Presses during the year 1865-66, with the usual General Statements Nos. 1 and 2. The Statement No. 1 exhibits the number of papers printed under the several heads, in each District, with the estimated value of the work turned out during the year under review, of which the following is an abstract; the results of the preceding year being entered for comparison :—

Items.	1864-65.		1865-66.		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	6,969	42,590	8,322	44,957	2,367	.....
District Gazette	1,239	73,564	1,233	85,759	12,195	.....
Selection from Records	26	246	2	80	.....	166
Judicial Department	1,944	7,205	2,302	6,627	.....	578
Other Public Offices...	1,341	6,256	1,774	9,241	2,985	.....
Private work...	697	2,583	860	1,940	.....	643
Total..	12,216	1,32,444	14,493	1,48,604	17,547	1,387
Deduct Decrease...	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,387	.....
Net Increase...	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,160	.....

2. It is satisfactory to observe that, compared with 1864-65, the value of the work turned out has increased by Rupees 16,160, and it is still more satisfactory to find that the work has been steadily increasing year after year, as shown in the margin. The increase in 1865-66 is in great measure due to the Printing Establishment having been placed on an efficient footing from the commencement of that year.

	Rs
1857-58	28,186
1858-59	42,298
1859-60	53,262
1860-61	64,166
1861-62	81,284
1862-63	92,034
1863-64	1,10,704
1864-65	1,32,414
1865-66	1,48,604

3. The Board are glad to find that the District Gazettes obtained a wider circulation during the year under review, and that there was an increase in the number of subscribers in almost every district. This is probably attributable in a considerable degree to the concession made by Government, as proposed by the Board, for the distribution of the Gazettes to private subscribers through the Tahsildars instead of by post; but the continuous efforts of the local officers have, doubtless, tended to promote this desirable end. In Ganjam, Vizagapatam, and Nellore, the number of subscribers is very small compared with other districts. In Ganjam and Vizagapatam, it may be owing to the greater part of the districts being Zemindary, but there is no apparent reason why the number should be so small in Nellore. In Cuddapah and Bellary, the widest circulation occurs, but in the other districts it is gradually extending, and the Board trust that ere long, not a single Ryotwar village will be left without at least one copy of the District Gazette being supplied to it. The Gazette is a valuable means of disseminating useful information among the people generally; and to attain the desired extent of circulation is not difficult, if the efforts of the local officers are steadily directed to this end. The following abstract shows the average number of subscribers in the several districts during the past year, compared with 1861-65:—

Districts.	1864-65.			1865-66.			Number of Government villages in the district.
	On full subscription.	On reduced subscription.	Total.	On full subscription.	On reduced subscription.	Total.	
1. Ganjam	29	30	59	32	48	80	1,412
2. Vizagapatam ...	29	18	47	38	25	63	157
3. Godavery	47	431	478	51	584	635	977
4. Kistna	20	225	245	22	409	431	1,310
5. Nellore	13	52	65	12	57	69	873
6. Cuddapah ...	12	1,050	1,062	15	1,058	1,073	1,083
7. Bellary	23	1,272	1,295	36	1,188	1,224	2,294
8. Kurnool	19	314	333	27	329	356	698
9. Madras	14	227	241	20	371	391	1,708
10. North Arcot ...	12	140	153	12	361	373	2,917
11. South Arcot ...	5	221	226	6	834	840	2,987
12. Tanjore	14	199	213	24	478	502	4,800
13. Trichinopoly ...	5	152	157	6	164	170	1,266
14. Madura	33	182	215	40	235	275	783
15. Tinnevelly ...	16	46	62	32	341	373	1,099
16. Coimbatore ...	26	393	419	29	544	573	1,534
17. Salem	22	138	160	26	204	230	2,604
18. South Canara ...	54	560	614	55	674	729	1,278
19. Malabar	37	562	599	52	595	647	433
Total...	430	6,213	6,643	535	8,499	9,034	30,213

The rate of full subscription is 3 Annas.
Do. reduced do. is 2 Annas.

4. It is to be regretted that no further progress was made in printing Selections from the Records in the past year in any district except Nellore and Madura, and the general reason assigned is, that the Press was fully occupied with the current work of the office, and that the supply of type is insufficient. The reason cannot be regarded as satisfactory, and, as observed by Government in reviewing the Board's Press Report for 1864-65, the difficulty probably arises from apathy on the part of the Officers in charge of the Presses, rather than from the insufficiency of their establishments or plant. A few Collectors have submitted lists of papers selected for publication with reference to the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, dated 27th September 1865, and promise to make such progress as they can in the current year. Others appear very indifferent about the matter. Something, however, has been done, as shown by the list appended to this Report, and as much might at least be effected in every district, if the District Officers would take a little more interest in the matter. The Board will hope that the progress may be more satisfactory hereafter, than it has hitherto generally been. The Collector of Trichinopoly requested to be permitted to send to Madras certain papers selected to be printed; but the Board observe that the value of the work turned out in his district, during 1865-66, was very small compared with some other districts. In Tanjore it was Rupees 11,526, while in Trichinopoly it was less than half this sum, amounting to no more than Rupees 5,676; and the Board have, therefore, reason to believe that, under proper management, the papers selected can be gradually printed in the Collectors' own Press.

5. In Statement No. 2, the Demand, Collection, and Balance of each district, and in the Enclosure A. of Statement No. 1, the Charges under different heads are given. The demand of the year on account of the several items amounted to Rupees 18,126-5-10, and together with this sum that was outstanding at the beginning of the year, amounted to Rupees 20,420-8-1. Of this sum, Rupees 17,311-2-5 was collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 3,109-5-3 at its close. The balance brought forward in the Kistna District will be found to differ from what was shown in the return for 1864-65. In explanation of this, the Collector states that the accounts of 1864-65 having been lost during the cyclone, the present return has been prepared from the accounts received from the taluks. The following abstract exhibits the Demand, Collection, and Balance of each item during the year for the whole Presidency:—

Items.	Outstanding balance at the end of 1864-65.	Deduct amount of irrecoverable balance, &c., written off.	Net amount.	Demand.	Total.	Collections.	Balance.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Work done for private individuals ...	729	13	716	1,941	2,657	1,846	811
Subscription to District Gazettes ...	1,537	...	1,537	15,004	16,541	14,356	2,185
Sundry items, such as sales of printed books, &c.	41	...	41	1,181	1,222	1,109	113
Total ...	2,307	13	2,294	18,126	20,420	17,311	3,109

6. The sum of Rupees 13, deducted as irrecoverable from the outstanding balance on account of work done for private individuals, belongs to Malabar, being the value of work performed for the projected Tramway Company, which was afterwards abandoned. This sum was ordered to be written off the accounts, the Collector having stated that it was irrecoverable.

7. Of the demand of Rupees 2,657, inclusive of the previous year's balance of Rupees 716 for work done for private individuals, Rupees 1,846 was collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 811. More than half of this sum appertains to the Kistna District; but no explanation of the delay in the collection is offered. In Tinnevelly also there is a balance of Rupees 141; but

a large portion of this, viz, Rupees 120, is due on account of a Tamil book partially printed. The Collector states that when the remainder of the work is completed, the total cost will be realized.

8. The demand on account of subscription to District Gazettes, amounted to Rupees 15,004, or Rupees 4,771 in excess of the year 1864-65. Together with the previous year's balance, the demand amounted to Rupees 16,541, of which Rupees 14,356 was collected, leaving Rupees 2,185 to be realized in the current year. Of this balance, Rupees 653 belongs to South Arcot. In the six districts noted in the margin also, there were large balances outstanding. The Collectors of these districts generally promise to realize their balances within the current year. They ought not to have been allowed to accumulate to such an extent.

	Rs.
Kistna	374
Cuddapah	299
Madras	235
Salem	194
South Canara	125
Kurnool	116

9. The Collectors of the five districts noted in the margin, request sanction for writing off the sum set opposite to each in the accounts of the current year. These sums the Board find, from the explanation of the Collectors given in their reports, to be irrecoverable; and they accordingly authorize the Collectors to write them off the accounts.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Cuddapah	1	2	9
Bellary	3	0	0
Tanjore	3	7	2
Salem	3	9	10
South Canara	0	10	0

10. From the Enclosure A. to Statement No. 1, which exhibits the charges incurred during the year on account of the Presses, it will be seen that the total expenditure amounted to Rupees 52,170-5-5, as particularized in the margin, of which, Rupees 7,905-5-6 was the amount spent, out of Rupees 15,000 provided in the Budget of 1865-66, on account of purchase of type. There is an increase of about 8,000 Rupees in the fixed establishment, owing to the augmented rates of pay sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated 4th April 1865, No. 726. The other items of charge except "Repairs of Press materials," are much below those of the previous year.

	Rs	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P.
Fixed Establishment				42,852	14	0
Saderwarid				1,412	1	11
				44,264	15	11
Extra Establishment	411	12	0			
Repair of Press materials ...	448	15	6			
Purchase of Stock	7,044	10	0			
				7,905	5	6
Total...				52,170	5	5

11. The value of the work turned out by the Presses in the districts during the year, amounted to Rupees 1,48,604, from which the actual charge of Rupees 52,170 being deducted, the net profit to Government by the employment of Presses may be taken as Rupees 96,434. Even according to the actual transactions of the Press, there is a profit of Rupees 25,274 in favor of Government, as shown below, exclusive of the cost of plant, which amounted to Rupees 7,044:—

Amount available to meet the cost.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Amount taken to credit as savings in the Revenue Establishment..	44,264	15	11			
Actual Cash Collections	17,311	2	5			
Value of work done for Judicial Department, for which no cash was realized	6,627	0	0			
Do. of do. for other Public offices do. do. ...	9,241	0	0			
				77,444	2	4
Deduct Charges, as shown in the margin of paragraph 10				52,170	5	5
Excess or profit to Government ...				25,273	12	11

12. The Collector of the Godavery District, in paragraph 7 of his Report, requests authority for selling two unserviceable wooden Presses, and some worn out and useless English type transferred from the Narasapoor Sub-Collector's office. The Collector is, accordingly, authorized to dispose of them, and to credit the sale proceeds to "26 Miscellaneous."

13. The Collector of Bellary applies (paragraph 8) for sanction for the employment of a man on Rupees 10-8-0 per month, for cleaning forms, boiling glue for rollers, cutting paper for the Press, &c. The Press Department is provided with an Attender, who should be required to attend to this kind of miscellaneous work; and other Attenders also, in the English Department, may occasionally be employed upon it. The Board, therefore, see no necessity for the employment of a separate person for this work, while such aid is not required in any other district. The Board also observe that this application should not have been made in a Periodical report, which is intended simply as a review of the operations of the Press.

14. The Collector of Salem requests to be furnished with a demy-sized machine Press, and some other Collectors complain that the type applied for, from the Superintendent of the Gazette Press, have not been duly received. These are not subjects which ought to be treated in Periodical reports. If any Collector requires a press, or type, he should submit indents or estimates in ordinary course with full explanation of the necessity, upon which the necessary orders will be passed by the Board.

15. The Collector of Kurnool states that his District Press at present works under great disadvantages, owing to the want of a proper printing office, there being no better accommodation than a verandah screened by bamboo mats. Similar inconvenience appears to be felt in the Madras District also. The Collectors should take steps, in communication with the Superintending Engineer, to provide proper accommodation for the Press department.

16. The Collector of Malabar states, with reference to the sanction granted for the entertainment of a type-founder for casting type, that it being very difficult to secure a person in Malabar for the work, one was obtained from Travancore, but that he has not made much progress with the work, having turned out only 150 lbs. from January last, when he was first entertained. He does not, however, clearly say how much this work has cost, whether the continued employment of the type-founder is necessary, or whether to obtain the supply from Madras would not be more advantageous. He is requested to submit this information.

17. The Collectors of North Arcot and Coimbatore alone notice that the registers connected with the Press transactions are properly kept. The late period at which some of the Press Reports were received from Collectors, shows that in some districts these registers are still not properly maintained. The reports from the districts noted in the margin were received within the month of May. The report from the Collector of Kurnool is the latest, being dated 13th September 1866. If the registers were properly kept up, there should be no difficulty in drawing up the report a few days after the close of the official year. The attention of the Treasury Deputy Collectors should be called to this matter, and the Collectors should make it a point to look into these registers occasionally, at least towards the close of the official year, and notice the subject in their Press Reports. The Collectors of Vizagapatam and Nellore submit the reports of their Treasury Deputies addressed to themselves. There is no reason why these reports should not be addressed by the Collectors themselves to the Board, as is done in all other districts.

Ganjam.	Cuddapah.
Vizagapatam.	Tanjore.
Godavery.	Tinnevelly.
Nellore.	South Canara.

18. The publication of the District Gazette has been the chief work of the Printing Presses; but it is desirable that these Presses should be more utilized in the way of diminishing manual labor. In paragraph 25 of their Press Report for 1864-65, the Board pointed out that, by furnishing printed forms for the different Abstracts, and for the various Accounts kept in the Taluk Cutcherries, and transmitted thence to the Huzur Cutcherry, there will be not only a great diminution in manual labor, but that a greater regularity of system will be insured. They also noticed that the specimen copies of forms printed, called for by the Board, were not received from even a single district; and the particular attention of the Collectors was requested to the subject. Only the Collectors of the eight districts noted in the margin, have since sent in copies of the specimen forms, and the inaction in the other districts proves clearly how indifferent the Treasury Deputy Collectors are about any improvement of this kind. The Board's Circular, forwarding

Godavery.	Madura.
Kistna.	Tinnevelly.
Cuddapah.	Coimbatore.
Bellary.	South Canara.

sets of specimen copies of forms of Returns, &c., was issued on 15th May 1865, and the Treasury Deputy Collectors of eleven districts have, apparently, done nothing in the matter for the last eighteen months. They seem indifferent whether the Taluk Accounts are received in proper form, and whether manual labor is saved or not, and their indifference is not creditable to them. The Collectors should have taken notice of their conduct. The Collector of Tinnevelly forwards with his Press Report specimen forms of a few Taluk Accounts printed at his Press, stating that the remainder will be printed hereafter. The Board observe that the specimen forms should not have been sent with the report, but separately. The Collector of South Canara observes in paragraph 4 of his report, that the introduction of these forms has proved very satisfactory, and that the accounts and returns submitted from the taluks are now found not only more neat and correct than before, but that their transmission has been much accelerated. The advantage of good printed forms cannot be denied. The Treasury Deputy Collectors have vast opportunities of developing the Presses, and turning them to useful account, and it is greatly to be regretted that they do not perceive that their reputation for intelligence and zeal must suffer if they do not take real interest in these improvements, but allow the opportunity to be lost by their indolence and apathy.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with file of replies.

Copy to all Collectors.

Exd. J. Wright.

List of the Selections from Records printed in the Districts of Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Godavery, Kistna, Nellore, North Arcot, Madura, Salem, and Malabar, up to the end of 1865-66.

Districts.	The year in which printed.	Subject.
Ganjam... ...	1860-61 ...	1. Report of the Circuit Committee, on the Revenue and Resources of the District, dated 25th April 1788.
	1860-61 ...	2. Report of Mr. Oram on Purlah Kimedy.
	1860-61 ...	3. Report of Mr. William Brown, on the Purgunnahs of Aska, Barwah, Poobacondah, Itchapore, Muntreddy, and Munsoorcottah, dated 4th September 1801.
	1859-60 ...	4. Report of Mr. William Brown, on the Revenue Settlement of the District for Fusly 1211, dated 15th March 1802.
	1859-60 ...	5. Reports of Mr. Peter Cherry, on the introduction of the Permanent Settlement, dated 30th November 1803, and 31st January 1804, together with the Board's Proceedings, dated 8th July and 17th May 1804, and the Order of Government thereon, under date 23rd June 1804, and with several Statements.
	1862-63 ...	6. Extract from the Report of the Special Commissioner, 3rd Division of Vizagapatam, on the Permanent Settlement of the Havalies of Chicacole and Tekkaly with the Kimedy Zemindary, dated 29th April 1803.
	1863-64 ...	7. Report of Mr. Peter Cherry, respecting the names of the Zemindaries and of the Villages held in Jaghire, and their value in the District, dated 2nd April 1804.
	1864-65 ...	8. Reports of Mr. Edward Cotsford to Government, on the state of certain Zemindaries in the District, with a short History of the Pretapagiri Zemindary, dated 25th July 1771.
	1864-65 ...	9. Report of do. to Government, on the expected receipts from certain Zemindaries, dated 20th February 1772.
	1864-65 ...	10. Report of do. to Government, on the Result of the Expedition against the Pretapagiri Zemindar, dated 6th June 1772.
	1864-65 ...	11. The Revenue Reports with Statements for Fusly 1195, or A. D. 1785-86, from Mr. M. Williams to the Board of Revenue, dated 31st December 1787.
	1864-65 ...	12. Report of Mr. F. A. Robson, respecting the Result of the introduction of the Permanent Settlement in the District. From Government to the Collector, dated 3rd September 1805. From Collector to the Board, dated 9th June 1806. From Governor General to the Collector, dated 27th April 1806. From Collector to Governor General, dated 12th June 1806.
	1864-65 ...	13. Report of Mr. Cherry, on the District and Village Police of the District, dated 14th June 1805.
Vizagapatam..	1861-62 ...	1. Report of Mr. Robert Alexander, on the permanent Jumma of the 1st Division of the District, dated 30th April 1802.
	1861-62 ...	2. Report of Mr. Webb, on the Permanent Settlement of the Zemindaries in the 2nd Division of the District, dated 10th June 1802.
	1861-62 ...	3. Report of Mr. Robert Alexander, on the Permanent Settlement of Land Revenue in the District, dated 20th April 1803.
	1861-62 ...	4. Board's Reply to the Reports of Messrs. N. Webb and R. Alexander, on the Resources of the Zemindaries composing the late 2nd Division of the District, dated 17th November 1803.
	1861-62 ...	5. Board's Report to Government, on the Permanent Settlement of the Revenue of the late 2nd Division of the District, dated 22nd September 1803
	1861-62 ...	6. Review by Government on the above, dated 22nd October 1803.

List of the Selections from Records printed in the Districts, &c.—(Concluded.)

Districts.	The year in which printed.	Subject.
Vizagapatam. (*Concluded.*)	1861-62 ...	7. Mr. Walter Elliot's Report to Government, on the Inams in the Vizianagarum Zemindary, dated 17th January 1853.
	1862-63 ...	8. A Collection and Precis of Papers about Jeypore, with an Appendix containing two Reports of Lieutenant Virtue, R. E. A Diary by Major Owen, and Notes on the Climate by Colonel Hoby.
	1862-63 ..	9. Principles on which the Permanent Settlement with the Zemindars, &c., was proposed, dated 15th October 1799.
	1862-63 ..	10. Report of the Special Commission, dated 11th September 1802; Reply thereon of Government, dated 15th September 1802, and the letter of the Special Commission to the Collector, dated 20th September 1802, concerning Permanent Settlement of Land Revenue of the 1st Divison of the District.
	1862-63 ...	11. Report of the Special Commission, concerning the 3rd Division of the District, which comprises Havalies of Chicacole and Tekkaly, with the Zemindary of Purlah Kimedy, dated 29th April 1803, and the Government Order thereon, dated 6th May 1803.
Godavery... ...	1861-62 ...	1. Report by Sir Henry Montgomery, Bart., on the causes of the decline of Revenue in Rajahmundry, and the measures proposed for the improvement of the District, dated 18th March 1844, together with the Board's Proceedings, dated 14th July 1844, and the Order of Government thereon, under date the 14th April 1846.
Kistna.....	1860-61 ...	1. Report on the Survey and Assessment of the Kytopully Village by Mr. P. Grant, dated 11th April 1842.
	1859-60 ...	2. Correspondence regarding the Storming and Capture of the Masulipatam Fort.
Nellore... ...	1865-66 ...	1. Two Reports on the Western Poliems in the District by Mr. George Stratton, one dated 14th December 1800, and the other 14th July 1801.
	1865-66 ...	2. A Statement showing the Revenue for a series of years, with details as to occupation, assessment, average yield, and price.
North Arcot..	1864-65 ...	1. A Concise History of the Jaghires and Poliems of the District by Mr. Cooke.
	1864-65 ...	2. A translation of the Family of Jawady Venketpathy Nayer, the Poliagar of Cangoondy.
Madura... ...	1860-61 ...	1. Report on Vanpery and Tobacco Cultivation.
	1861-62 ...	2. Correspondence passed between the Collector and the Board of Revenue, relating to the Taxation of scattered Trees and Topes in the District, from 30th January 1854, to 28th April 1859.
	1865-66 ...	3. Correspondence passed between the Collector and the Board of Revenue, relating to the reduction of Assessment in certain Villages in the District, from 7th November 1815, to 26th March 1858.
Salem.....	1865-66 ...	1. Colonel Reade's Report on the original Settlement of the District in 1791 to 1796, epitomized and annotated by Mr. R. K. Puckle.
Malabar.....	1861-62 ...	1. Major Walker's Report on the Land Tenure of the District, dated 20th July 1801.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

No. 1.—*Statement showing the operation of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency, during the Official year* 1865-66.

Districts.	Revenue Department.											
	Office work.		District Gazettes.						Selections from Records.		
				Number of Copies.							
					On payment.							
	Number of papers	Value in Rupees	Total number of issues.	Free.	Full subscription.	Reduced subscription.	Total.	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.	Total value in Rupees.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1. Ganjam	454	1,814	54	6,569	1,646	2,483	4,129	10,698	3,685	...	...	5,499
2. Vizagapatam ...	677	3,295	52	6,588	2,118	1,290	3,408	9,996	4,158	...	...	7,453
3. Godavery	390	2,403	96	13,114	4,550	52,220	56,770	69,884	4,710	...	...	7,113
4. Kistna	204	2,365	56	7,350	1,233	22,883	24,116	31,466	3,388	...	...	5,753
5. Nellore	717	4,726	114	14,055	1,389	6,301	7,690	21,745	5,060	1	10	9,796
6. Cuddapah	352	2,447	53	6,301	779	56,081	56,860	63,161	5,869	...	...	8,307
7. Bellary	277	1 855	52	6,721	1,885	61,782	63,667	70,388	5,797	...	...	7,652
8. Kurnool	262	1,506	52	5,257	1,387	17,108	18,495	23,752	3,306	...	...	4,812
9. Madras	608	3,157	51	5,906	1,021	18,954	19,975	25,881	2,500	...	...	5,657
10. North Arcot ...	860	2,252	54	7,506	646	19,418	20,064	27,570	3,595	...	...	5,847
11. South Arcot ...	508	1,451	51	7,038	306	42,513	42,819	49,857	2.261	...	...	3,712
12. Tanjore	310	2,678	77	8,501	1,227	24,341	25,568	34,069	7,375	..	...	10,053
13. Trichinopoly ...	278	1,213	126	12,726	790	20,627	21,417	34,143	3,795	...	...	5,008
14. Madura	760	4,665	52	6,635	2,031	12,152	14,183	20,818	4,189	1	70	8,924
15. Tinnevelly ...	264	1,102	93	11,570	2,801	25,791	28,592	40,162	3,964	...	...	5,066
16. Coimbatore ...	142	684	52	7,679	1,487	28,275	29,762	37,441	4,973	...	...	5,657
17. Salem	634	3,257	51	5,910	1,312	10,426	11,738	17,648	4,126	...	...	7,383
18. South Canara ...	354	2,522	52	6,440	2,837	35,078	37,915	44,355	7,056	...	...	9,578
19. Malabar	271	1,565	51	9,322	2,670	30,340	33,010	42,332	5,961	...	...	7,526
Total...	8,322	44,957	1,233	1,55,188	32,115	4,88,063	5,20,178	6,75,366	85,759	2	80	1,30,796

No. 1.—Statement showing the operation of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency, during the Official year 1865-66.—(Concluded.)

Districts.	Judicial Department.		Other Public Offices.		Total Government work.		Private work.		Total.	
	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.
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	23	23
1. Ganjam	174	585	195	811	877	6,995	58	283	935	7,178
2. Vizagapatam ...	282	954	126	916	1,137	9,223	30	45	1,167	9,368
3. Godavery	190	387	86	223	696	7,723	51	128	746	7,851
4. Kistna	103	268	54	345	417	6,366	22	39	439	6,405
5. Nellore	93	309	105	952	1,033	10,157	33	52	1,066	11,109
6. Cuddapah	30	109	77	158	512	8,5[illegible]	49	79	561	8,653
7. Bellary	38	97	111	515	468	8,464	29	99	497	8,363
8. Kurnool	75	242	36	176	426	5,230	153	171	579	5,401
9. Madras	8	49	41	213	708	5,919	1	25	709	5,944
10. North Arcot ...	182	286	163	287	1,359	6,360	2	2	1,361	6,362
11. South Arcot ...	123	248	100	702	782	4,862	45	40	827	4,702
12. Tanjore	256	820	83	568	726	11,441	30	85	756	11,526
13. Trichinopoly ...	...	91	91	631	495	5,039	12	37	507	5,676
14. Madura	98	338	191	485	1,102	9,747	58	279	1,155	10,026
15. Tinnevelly... ...	195	291	44	148	529	5,505	34	186	563	5,691
16. Coimbatore ...	140	312	49	186	393	6,155	138	74	521	6,229
17. Salem	234	756	136	1,088	1,055	9,227	34	78	1,089	9,305
18. South Canara ...	15	104	27	307	448	9,989	28	94	476	10,083
19. Malabar	152	472	206	590	580	8,588	59	144	639	8,732
Total...	2,302	6,537	1,774	9,241	13,653	1,46,664	860	1,940	14,403	1,48,604

ENCLOSURE A. to No. 1.

Statement showing the Charges of the several Collectorate Presses during the Official year 1865-66.

Districts.	Fixed Establishment.			Saderwarid.			Contingencies.									Grand Total.		
							Extra Establishment.			Repair of Press materials.			Purchase of Stock.			Total.			
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Ganjam	2,492	0	0	56	2	10	...	...	...	1	4	0	3	0	0	4	4	0	2,552	6	10
2. Vizagapatam	2,250	2	10	95	7	7	...	...	...	128	1	4	252	14	0	380	15	4	2,726	9	9
3. Godavery	2,247	3	10	61	11	0	...	...	...	19	10	7	743	1	0	762	11	7	3,071	10	5
4. Kistna	2,254	1	0	25	12	10	59	4	3	0	14	0	575	6	9	635	9	0	2,915	6	10
5. Nellore	2,222	3	5	46	14	0	43	5	9	25	9	5	202	14	0	271	13	2	2,540	14	7
6. Cuddapah	2,246	3	2	60	11	4	...	...	...	2	2	0	147	10	3	149	12	3	2,456	10	9
7. Bellary	2,238	14	6	95	12	5	150	0	7	130	13	10	1,340	7	7	1,621	6	0	3,956	0	11
8. Kurnool	2,254	12	0	73	4	0	...	...	...	3	12	6	662	8	8	666	5	2	2,994	5	2
9. Madras	2,251	6	7	40	10	9	17	6	5	62	5	4	...	...	...	79	11	9	2,371	13	1
10. North Arcot	2,219	9	8	95	5	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	3	5	16	3	5	2,331	2	11
11. South Arcot	2,248	0	0	142	15	10	16	11	10	...	...	...	1,493	10	6	1,510	6	4	3,901	6	2
12. Tanjore	2,239	2	9	22	5	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	163	2	9	163	2	9	2,424	11	0
13. Trichinopoly	2,219	9	11	39	11	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	701	0	8	701	0	8	2,960	5	11
14. Madura...	2,250	8	0	68	11	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	168	12	5	168	12	5	2,487	15	11
15. Tinnevelly	2,242	10	5	97	4	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	46	0	0	46	0	0	2,385	15	3
16. Coimbatore	2,222	0	3	100	14	0	...	...	...	7	6	0	14	4	0	21	10	0	2,344	8	3
17. Salem	2,252	0	0	74	13	10	71	10	0	5	6	6	...	...	...	77	0	6	2,403	14	4
18. South Canara	2,251	0	0	126	13	2	...	...	...	40	0	0	513	10	0	553	10	0	2,931	7	2
19. Malabar	2,251	5	8	86	11	4	53	5	2	21	10	0	...	...	...	74	15	2	2,413	0	2
Total ...	42,852	14	0	1,412	1	11	411	12	0	448	15	6	7,044	10	0	7,905	5	6	52,170	5	5

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

No. 2.—Statement showing the Receipts of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency, during the Official year 1865-66.

Districts.	Demand, Collection, and Balance.										
	Outstanding balance at the close of 1864-65.			Demand.				Total of Columns 4 and 8.	Collections during 1865-66.	Outstanding Balance.
	Actual Balance.	Deduct amount of irrecoverable balances, &c., written off.	Remainder.	On account of Private work.	Subscription to the District Gazettes.	Sundry Receipts.	Total Demand.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Ganjam	14 8 0	... ...	14 8 0	282 14 7	206 9 0	193 6 11	682 14 6	697 6 6	693 13 6	3 9 0
2. Vizagapatam...	28 4 0	... ...	28 4 0	45 5 9	129 2 0	6 13 6	181 5 3	209 9 3	188 3 3	21 6 0
3. Godavery ...	38 11 8	... ...	38 11 8	128 7 6	612 10 0	79 1 0	820 2 6	858 14 2	809 7 2	49 7 0
4. Kistna	645 12 7	... .	645 12 7	38 12 0	658 4 0	180 6 3	877 6 3	1,523 2 10	6[illegible] 11 4	836 7 6
5. Nellore	8 1 0	... ...	8 1 0	52 3 2	113 13 0	13 15 4	179 15 6	188 0 6	183 10 6	4 6 0
6. Cuddapah ...	7 9 0	... ...	7 9 0	79 0 6	953 1 0	24 13 11	1,056 15 5	1,064 8 5	771 0 8	293 7 9
7. Bellary	23 7 8	... ...	23 7 8	99 12 9	2,099 11 0	72 6 0	2,271 13 9	2,295 5 5	2,256 3 2	39 2 3
8. Kurnool ...	261 4 6	.. ..	261 4 6	171 4 11	553 3 0	6 7 9	730 15 8	992 4 2	[illegible]0 2 5	182 1 9
9. Madras	171 4 10	... ...	171 4 10	24 11 3	602 2 0	0 15 0	627 12 3	799 1 1	[illegible] 3 9	244 13 4
10. North Arcot...	... ...	... .	... ...	1 12 6	443 6 0	... ...	445 2 6	445 2 6	44 2 6	... ...
11. South Arcot ...	218 8 0	.. ..	218 8 0	39 12 0	1,263 14 0	... ...	1,303 10 0	1,522 2 0	77[illegible] 15 9	748 2 3
12. Tanjore... ...	7 10 3	... .	7 10 3	84 12 9	980 7 8	32 3 0	1,097 7 5	1,105 1 8	1,0[illegible]9 1 8	15 6 0
13. Trichinopoly...	113 10 6	... ...	113 10 6	36 9 2	278 13 0	19 0 0	334 6 2	448 0 8	4[illegible]6 6 5	101 10 3
14. Madura... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	279 2 0	458 0 0	70 10 5	807 12 5	8[illegible]7 12 5	[illegible]0 12 5	... ...
15. Tinnevelly ...	37 9 6	... ...	37 9 6	185 14 6	1,533 10 0	61 4 0	1,780 12 6	1,818 6 0	1,676 12 6	141 9 6
16. Coimbatore ...	74 1 10	.. ..	74 1 10	74 6 8	879 15 0	0 11 0	955 0 8	1,029 2 6	955 7 8	73 10 10
17. Salem	36 15 4	... ...	36 15 4	78 6 0	364 10 6	... .	443 0 6	479 15 10	275 11 1	204 4 9
18. South Canara.	532 1 0	.. ..	532 1 0	94 9 6	1,234 9 0	413 11 10	1,742 14 4	2,274 13 4	2,125 1 10	149 13 6
19. Malabar... ...	87 12 7	13 12 0	74 0 7	143 8 0	1,638 15 8	5 0 7	1,787 8 3	1,861 8 10	1,861 8 10	... ...
Total ...	2,307 4 3	13 12 0	2,293 8 3	1,941 5 6	15,001 11 10	1,180 14 6	18,126 15 10	20,420 8 1	17,311 2 5	3,109 5 8

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

1866. Department

No.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 12*th December* 1866.

Received

No. 8,802.

Submitting Annual Report on the operations of the District Presses during 1865-66.

CHETTERPORE, 15th April 1867.

No. 1,104.

From G. S. FORBES, Esq.,
Collector of GANJAM,
To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to forward the usual Statements to show the operations of the Collectorate Press for 1866-67, *i. e.*, for 11 months, from May 1866 to 30th March 1867.

2. It will be found from the Statement showing the operation of the Press that there has been a steady increase in every month both in the number of Subscribers to Gazette, as well as in the amount of work turned out by Press. The value of work in the Revenue Department amounts to Rupees 7,394-13-3, and that in the Judicial and other Public Departments to Rupees 819-11-4, making a total of Rupees 8,214-8-7, to which Rupees 179, the value of private work, being added, the aggregate work amounts to Rupees 8,393-8-7, thus giving an increase of Rupees 1,215-6-4 over the results of the preceding year.

3. Though there is an increase in the number of Subscribers, the amount of subscription received shows a falling off, amounting to Rupees 12-5-0, in the year under report. This is because the balance of postage which remained in favour of Subscribers in 1865-66, viz., Rupees 37-11-0, was transferred to the credit of subscription in February 1866, the practice of charging postage on Gazettes sent to the parties residing within the district having been discontinued under the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. 169 of 1865.

4. The amount of Rupees 224-5-4, entered under the head of receipts in the Statement of receipts and charges is chiefly the value of Sea Custom forms sold at the different ports. The sum of Rupees 2,342 charged for fixed establishment includes batta paid to servants of the Press Department receiving 15 rupees and less on acc nt of compensation for rice for three months from August to October 1866. The amount of Rupees 107-13-11 shown as Saderwarid also includes the value of Service Postage Stamps used on District Gazettes sent to unprivileged officers in other districts. Of the sum of Rupees 566-5-4, charged on account of purchase of stock, Rupees 512-13-4 were, with reference to the Bill passed by the Board, remitted to the Superintendent of Government Press on account of the actual value of the type, &c., supplied by him, (exclusive of Rupees 23-1-3 remitted to him on account of packing and other charges included in the Saderwarid expenditure of Rupees 107-13-11 above alluded to,) and Rupees 53-8-0 were disbursed for certain wooden cases, &c., purchased in th district under the sanction of the Board, dated 7th December 1866, No. 8,700. The total charges thus amount to Rupees 3,016-15-3.

5. The actual demand of the year under report, inclusive of the balance of Rupees 3-9-0 which remained at the close of the preceding year, amounts to Rupees 601-2-4, of which sum Rupees 597-13-5 were collected within the close of the official year, and Rupees 1-13-11 subsequently, leaving a balance of Rupees 1-7-0 uncollected.

6. The probable value of stock on hand at the close of the preceding year was given at Rupees 3,191-13-0, but considering the length of time during which the type, &c., have been used, it has been reduced to Rupees 3,056-2-4, including the value of newly received type, &c., as detailed in the accompanying Statement of the value of stock.

7. The type and other articles indented for in 1866-67 have not as yet been received, and another revised Indent for 1867-68 was forwarded to the Board with my letter, No. 1,013, of the 9th instant.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

MADANAPALLY, 17th April 1867.

No. 53.

From H. G. SMITH, ESQ.,
Collector of CUDDAPAH.

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my Report on the working of the District Press during the past official year 1866-67, ending 31st March 1867, accompanied by the usual Statements.*

* Nos. 1 and 2, with enclosures.

2. Consequent on the change in the official year which now terminates on the 31st March, the comparative Statement does not show the advance actually made; but if the average of the work performed in the eleven months corresponding to the year 1866-67 is added to the figures shown in the Statement, it will be perceived that the result, if compared with the previous year's figures, would clearly show an improvement of upwards of 15 per cent. in the operations of the Department. This result is attributable principally to the increased bulk of the District Gazettes, owing mainly to the publication in them of the Proceedings of the recently constituted Municipal Commission. In the work done for other departments, there is also a good advance, which would partly account for the very slight falling off in the office work. The increase in private work performed is owing to the considerable number of papers printed for the Municipal Commission. No Selections from records have been printed. The Indices of the records not having been completed, no Selections have as yet been made, but it is expected that this will be done shortly.

3. In consequence of collections in 1865-66 on account of subscriptions to the District Gazettes having been anticipated to a great extent, the collections under this head in 1866-67 show a considerable increase. The collections for the year exceed the demand by Rupees 107, owing to the subscriptions in certain cases having been paid up to April 1867, whereas the demand up to March 1867 only is shown.

4. In the report for 1865-66, paragraph 9, a sum of Rupees 2-1-0 was recommended to be remitted as being irrecoverable, but the Board remitted a sum of Rupees 1-2-9, which it was stated was recoverable, and, in fact, was recovered in 1866-67. The correct amount was, however, written off the accounts. The whole of the amount, Rupees 11-4-7, shown in the balance, is recoverable, and will be collected shortly.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

COCANADA, 17th April 1867.

No. 62.

From J. FRASER, ESQ.,

Collector of the GODAVERY DISTRICT,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my Report on the operations of the Printing Press during the year 1866-67, accompanied by the prescribed explanatory Statements.

2. The following Statement exhibits the work done, and its estimated value in comparison with the results of the year preceding:—

	1865-66.		1866-67.		Comparison of the value of work.	
	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	Increase.	Decrease.
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Office work...	390	2,402 11 4	311	2,647 5 4	244 10 0	... ...
District Gazettes ...	90	4,709 11 0	101	6,269 1 0	1,559 6 0	... ...
Judicial Department...	180	386 13 0	46	242 6 6	... ...	144 6 6
Other public offices ...	36	223 1 2	42	168 12 6	... ...	54 4 8
Private work	50	128 7 6	80	239 13 1	111 5 7	... ...
To	746	7,850 12 0	580	9,567 6 5	1,915 5 7	198 11 2
					Net increase...	1,716 10 5

3. The Press was fully occupied with the work of public offices during the year. It will be seen that its usefulness has largely increased year by year, and that the value of work done exceeds that of any of the preceding years, notwithstanding that this year comprises only eleven months. The increase under the head of District Gazettes, I trust, will be deemed satisfactory. This result is due chiefly to the extension of circulation and increase in the bulk of the Gazette. The printing of individual Puttas, Receipts, Road Cess Notices, and other urgent Revenue papers, left little time for doing more work on account of other departments, and hence the decrease under those heads. The item of private work which shows an increase includes various forms printed for the Municipalities. There were no public selections printed. The list of public papers mentioned in my letter* is now under preparation.

Years.	Value. RS. A. P.
1862-63...	4,925 3 1
1863-64...	5,968 12 0
1864-65...	7,908 1 5
1865-66...	7,850 12 0
1866-67...	9,567 6 5

Years.	Average circulation.
1862-63	445
1863-64	560
1864-65	625
1865-66	781
1866-67	959

* To Board, 23rd June 1866, No. 140.

4. The Demand, Collection, and Balance for the year under review is given below:—

Balance on 1st May 1866.	Current year's demand.	Total.	Collection.	Balance on 1st April 1867.	Surplus on account of subscription received in advance.
RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
49 7 0	876 2 7	925 9 7	902 0 11	23 8 8	468 12 0

The small balance of Rupees 23-8-8 due will be collected immediately.

5. The following is an Abstract of the charges connected with the Press:—

	1865-66.	1866-67.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
Fixed establishment...	2,247	2,050	...	197
Sadirwarid and Contingencies	62	84	22	...
Repair of materials...	20	11	...	9
Purchase of stock	743	3	...	740
Extra establishment...	...	63	63	...
Total...	3,072	2,211	85	946
			Net decrease...	861

The decrease under "Permanent Establishment" is owing to the change of official year. The employment of additional hands was rendered necessary for striking off the large number of Road Cess and Municipal forms, &c. An increase in the Sadirwarid and Contingencies has been caused by the Municipal tax paid for the Press, but this has been since recovered under the opinion expressed in the Order of Government, dated 8th March 1867, communicated with Board's Proceedings of 14th idem, No. 1,574.

6. The Press accounts have been correctly kept in the Board's forms.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

NELLORE, 17th April 1867.

No. 112.

From J. A. C. BOSWELL, ESQ.,
Acting Collector of NELLORE,
To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit the Annual Press Report for 1866-67, with the prescribed Statements C. and F.

2. The total value of the work turned out for the eleven months under report was Rupees 12,671-12-0, against Rupees 11,109-13-11 for twelve months of the previous year, the increase being Rupees 1,561-14-1, as shown below:—

Department.	1865-66.		1866-67.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Number of papers.	Value.	Number of papers.	Value.		
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Office work... ...	717	4,726 6 5	607	5,796 13 10	1,070 7 5	... ...
District Gazettes..	114	5,059 12 3	120	4,886 10 8	... ...	173 1 7
Selections from the records	1	10 0 0	14	168 12 0	158 12 0	... ...
Judicial Department...	93	309 1 11	110	366 15 10	57 13 11	... ...
Other public offices.	108	952 6 2	136	1,245 4 2	292 14 0	... ...
Private work ...	33	52 3 2	58	207 3 6	155 0 4	... ...
Total...	1,066	11,109 13 11	1,045	12,671 12 0	1,734 15 8	173 1 7
				Deduct decrease...	173 1 7	
				Net increase...	1,561 14 1	

	1865-66.	1866-67.	Increase.	Decrease
Public officers ...	125	125	.....	.....
Private individuals on full subscriptions.	14	15	1	.....
Village officers and public servants under 25 rupees salary on reduced subscription ...	61	70	9	.....
Total...	200	210	10	.....

3. The number of Subscribers for the District Gazette during the year 1866-67 were 210, or 10 in excess of the number at the close of the year 1865-66, as shown in the margin, the subscriptions amounting to Rupees 120-11-0 this year, against Rupees 113-13-0 in the last.

4. The demand on account of Gazette subscriptions, private work, &c., inclusive of the balance outstanding at the close of last year, was Rupees 358-4-3, of which Rupees 32-9-0 has still to be collected, and the requisite measures have been taken for the same.

5. The total amount collected during the year was Rupees 343-10-3, which includes Rupees 17-5-0, subscriptions paid in advance for the coming year, and Annas 10 received on account of a deceased Subscriber.

6. The total expenditure during the year on account of the Press exclusive of the charges for the fixed establishment and Saderward was Rupees 828-7-4, or Rupees 78-7-4 in excess of the Budget grant of Rupees 750.

Exd T. Cartledge.

CHETTUBAVA, PATTUKOTTAI TALUK, 19th April 1867.

No. 77.

From G. L. MORRIS, ESQ.,

Collector of TANJORE,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit the usual Report on the working of the District Press for the year commencing 1st May 1866, and ending 31st March 1867, accompanied by tabular Statements in due form.

2. The work done during the year is exhibited in the subjoined Abstract:—

	1865-66.		1866-67.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Number of papers.	Value of work.	Number of papers.	Value of work.		
		RS.		RS.		
Office work	310	2,678	442	2,527	.....	151
District Gazette...	34,069	7,375	41,271	6,803	.....	572
Judicial	256	820	188	637	.....	183
Other Public Offices	83	568	100	614	46	.....
Private works	30	85	133	613	528	.....
		11,526	.....	11,194	574	906
Deduct for April 1866 ...	.....	981	.....	.....	.....	.....
Balance	.....	10,545	.....	.....	.....	.....

This Statement presents a decrease in the value of work done of Rupees 332, but it be borne in mind that the comparison here instituted is between two years of twelve and elev onths respectively ; comparing the results of eleven months in both years, the result is an increa value of work of Rupees 649.

3. The increase under the head Private work, was chiefly occasioned by the demand for forms for the Municipalities in the district.

Number of Subscribers.

	1865-66. Full. No.	Papers.	Reduced. No.	Papers.
	288	1,227	5,739	24,341
Deduct for April 1866.....	32	126	802	3,187
Balance.....	256	1,101	4,937	21,154
	1866-67.			
	566	2,395	7,359	31,054

4. The circulation of the District Gazette has risen, as will be seen from the marginal Comparative Statement, from 997 copies on the 5th May 1866, to 1,384 on the 31st March 1867.

5. The total demand on account of the Press amounted to Rupees 2,074, of which Rupees 1,910 have been realized, leaving a balance of Rupees 177, due chiefly by the Municipal Commissioners, and will be recovered very shortly.

6. *Purchase of types and furniture, Rupees* 740-15-2.—Of the Budget grant of Rupees 750 on account of the extraordinary expenses of the Press, Rupees 741 have been spent in the purchase of type and furniture.

			RS.	A.	P.
Establishment			2,068	0	0
Saderward.....	24	13 0			
For Gazette.					
Goa.....	22	9 0			
Double Double Pott.	988	3 9			
			1,035	9	9
			3,103	9	9
Total value of work done			11,194	0	3
Deduct charge			3,844	8	11
Balance.....			7,349	7	4

7. The expense of working the Press during the year was Rupees 3,844, as detailed in the margin.

8. Deducting the total cost from the gross value of work done, there is a balance of Rupees 7,349 in favour of the Press.

9. Neither time, nor the supply of type on hand, nor the strength of the establishment, has admitted of any large Selections from the old Collectorate records being printed. A beginning was, however, made during the year, and the Treasury Deputy Collector in charge of the Press hopes, with he aid of the increased temporary establishment lately sanctioned, to be able to make better prog s in this department of work next year.

10. The same reasons apply with respect to special forms, the general inattention to which was remarked on by the Board in their last report. No exertion will be spared by the establishment during the next year to print *all* the forms required for general use. As it is, those in general demand are printed at the present time.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

MANGALORE, 27th April 1867.

No. 73.

From W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq.,

Acting Collector of SOUTH CANARA,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my Report on the working of the District Press for the past official year 1866-67, and to forward the Returns prescribed by the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, dated 22nd May 1866, No. XLIX.

2. The outturn of the year is very satisfactory, as shown in the subjoined Statement. Reducing the figures of 1865-66 by one-twelfth for the sake of comparison with the year under review, which is composed of only eleven months, the amount of work done in the year under report shows an increase of Rupees 2,139, while it is almost double if compared with the preceding year 1864-65:—

	Rs.
1864-65	6,813
Deduct one-twelfth...	568
	6,245
1866-67	11,382
Excess...	5,137

	1865-66.	Deduct one-twelfth.	Remainder.	1866-67.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Office Work	2,521	210	2,311	2,825	514	...
District Gazette	7,056	588	6,468	7,757	1,289	...
Selections	...	...	...	44	44	...
Judicial Department	104	9	95	49	...	46
Other Offices	307	25	282	547	265	...
Private work	95	8	87	160	73	...
	10,083	840	9,243	11,382	2,185	46
					Net Increase...	2,139

3. There has been an increase as above shown, in all the items which comprise the Press valuation, except one. The chief excess is in District Gazettes, and secondarily, in the office work connected with my several Departments. The Gazette seems to be in general estimation, as exertions are used to extend and make it as attractive as possible. The village officers form the greater portion of subscribers on reduced subscription, and if all of these servants received the Gazette, there would have been a remarkable increase. The men holding these offices are generally badly educated. They do not, therefore, properly appreciate this useful publication, but in course of time, as education is spreading, I doubt not the Gazette will find more favour with the people in general.

4. As Mr. Cadell observed last year, forms of all periodical returns required from the taluk offices are duly circulated, and the neatness and punctuality of despatch that is thereby secured is very satisfactory. It has not been, however, possible to undertake the printing of any Selections. Want of types for this purpose, and the full employment of compositors on Gazette and other constant work which occupies their time, did not allow of any being taken in hand. The pamphlet of Weights and Measures ordered by the Board has been completed in the year under report, and 250 copies struck off, 10 of which were sent to the Board as specimens with Mr. Cadell's letter, dated 29th ultimo, No. 53.

Board's Proceedings, 3rd April 1865, No. 1,817.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Demand including arrears	1,110	11	0
Realized	1,080	5	0
Balance...	30	6	0

5. The collections of the Gazette subscriptions may be viewed with satisfaction, the amount due having been realized, except the small sum of Rupees 30-6-0, part of which has been, however, since collected.

6. Out of Rupees 747 sanctioned for the purchase of printing materials, Rupees 507-11-0 were actually used in procuring Canarese types, quotations, &c. The supply of English types was not, however, available at the German Mission Establishment from which they were allowed to be purchased. I will have, therefore, to re-estimate for them in the present year.

Board's Proceedings, dated 7th December 1866, No. 8,700.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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No. 387. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th December 1866, No. 8,802.

Read the following letters, reporting upon the working of the District Presses during the year 1865-66 :—

From	Collector of Ganjam,	dated	18th May	1866, No.	949.
Do.	,, of Vizagapatam,	,,	28th do.	,, ,,	52.
Do.	,, of Godavery,	,,	16th do.	,, ,,	98.
Do.	,, of Kistna,	,,	2nd August	,, ,,	271.
Do.	,, of Nellore,	,,	22nd May	,, ,,	145,
recorded in Board's Proceedings,		dated	8th August	,, ,,	5,481.
Do.	,, of Cuddapah,	dated	28th May	,, ,,	79.
Do.	,, of Bellary,	,,	5th June	,, ,,	109.
Do.	,, of Kurnool,	,,	13th September	,, ,,	189.
Do.	,, of Madras,	,,	14th June	,, ,,	180.
Do.	,, of North Arcot,	,,	2nd ,,	,, ,,	142.
Do.	,, of South Arcot,	,,	23rd July	,, ,,	149.
Do.	,, of Tanjore,	,,	17th May	,, ,,	115.
Do.	,, of Trichinopoly,	,,	2nd July	,, ,,	130.
Do.	,, of Madura,	,,	2nd June	,, ,,	182.
Do.	,, of Tinnevelly,	,,	15th May	,, ,,	192.
Do.	,, of Coimbatore,	,,	13th June	,, ,,	159.
Do.	,, of Salem,	,,	16th June	,, ,,	104.
Do.	,, of South Canara,	,,	22nd May	,, ,,	80.
Do.	,, of Malabar,	,,	9th June	,, ,,	176.

1. The Board proceed to submit to Government their Annual Report on the operations of the District Presses during the year 1865-66, with the usual General Statements Nos. 1 and 2. The Statement No. 1 exhibits the number of papers printed under the several heads in each district, with the estimated value of the work turned out during the year under review, of which the following is an abstract; the results of the preceding year being entered for comparison :—

Items.	1864-65.		1865-66.		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	6,969	42,590	8,322	44,959	2,367	.....
District Gazette	1,239	73,564	1,233	85,759	12,195	.....
Selection from Records... ...	26	246	2	80	.....	166
Judicial Department	1,944	7,205	2,302	6,627	.....	578
Other Public Offices	1,341	6,256	1,774	9,241	2,985	.....
Private work	697	2,583	860	1,940	.....	643
Total...	12,216	1,32,444	14,493	1,48,604	17,547	1,387
Deduct Decrease...	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,387	.....
Net Increase...	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,160	.....

2. It is satisfactory to observe that, compared with 1864-65, the value of the work turned out has increased by Rupees 16,160, and it is still more satisfactory to find that the work has been steadily increasing year after year, as shewn in the margin. The increase in 1865-66 is in great measure due to the Printing Establishment having been placed on an efficient footing from the commencement of that year.

	Rs.
1857-58...	28,186
1858-59...	42,298
1859-60..	53,262
1860-61...	64,166
1861-62...	81,284
1862-63...	92,034
1863-64...	1,10,704
1864-65...	1,32,444
1865-66...	1,48,604

3. The Board are glad to find that the District Gazettes obtained a wider circulation during the year under review, and that there was an increase in the number of subscribers in almost every district. This is probably attributable in a considerable degree to the concession made by Government, as proposed by the Board, for the distribution of the Gazettes to private subscribers through the Tahsildars instead of by post; but the continuous efforts of the local officers have, doubtless, tended to promote this desirable end. In Ganjam, Vizagapatam, and Nellore, the number of subscribers is very small compared with other districts. In Ganjam and Vizagapatam, it may be owing to the greater part of the districts being Zemindary, but there is no apparent reason why the number should be so small in Nellore. In Cuddapah and Bellary, the widest circulation occurs, but in the other districts it is gradually extending, and the Board trust that ere long, not a single Ryotwar village will be left without at least one copy of the District Gazette being supplied to it. The Gazette is a valuable means of disseminating useful information among the people generally; and to attain the desired extent of circulation is not difficult, if the efforts of the local officers are steadily directed to this end. The following abstract shews the average number of subscribers in the several districts during the past year, compared with 1864-65:—

Districts.	1864-65.			1865-66.			Number of Government villages in the district.
	On full subscription.	On reduced subscription.	Total.	On full subscription.	On reduced subscription.	Total.	
1. Ganjam	29	30	59	32	48	80	1,412
2. Vizagapatam...	29	18	47	38	25	63	157
3. Godavery ...	47	431	478	51	584	635	977
4. Kistna	20	225	245	22	409	431	1,310
5. Nellore	13	52	65	12	57	69	875
6. Cuddapah ...	12	1,050	1,062	15	1,058	1,073	1,083
7. Bellary	23	1,272	1,295	36	1,188	1,224	2,294
8. Kurnool... ...	19	314	333	27	329	356	698
9. Madras	14	227	241	20	371	391	1,708
10. North Arcot...	12	140	153	12	361	373	2,917
11. South Arcot ...	5	221	226	6	834	840	2,987
12. Tanjore... ...	14	199	213	24	478	502	4,800
13. Trichinopoly...	5	152	157	6	164	170	1,266
14. Madura... ...	33	182	215	40	235	275	783
15. Tinnevelly ...	16	46	62	32	341	373	1,099
16. Coimbatore ...	26	393	419	29	544	573	1,534
17. Salem	22	138	160	26	204	230	2,604
18. South Canara...	54	560	614	55	674	729	1,278
19. Malabar... ...	37	562	599	52	595	647	433
Total...	430	6,213	6,643	535	8,499	9,034	30,213

The rate of full subscription is 3 Annas.
Do. reduced do. is 2 Annas.

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4. It is to be regretted that no further progress was made in printing Selections from the Records in the past year in any district except Nellore and Madura, and the general reason assigned is, that the Press was fully occupied with the current work of the Office, and that the supply of type is insufficient. The reason cannot be regarded as satisfactory, and, as observed by Government in reviewing the Board's Press Report for 1864-65, the difficulty probably arises from apathy on the part of the Officers in charge of the Presses, rather than from the insufficiency of their establishments or plant. A few Collectors have submitted lists of papers selected for publication with reference to the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, dated 27th September 1865, and promise to make such progress as they can in the current year. Others appear very indifferent about the matter. Something, however, has been done, as shewn by the list appended to this report, and as much might at least be effected in every district, if the District Officers would take a little more interest in the matter. The Board will hope that the progress may be more satisfactory hereafter, than it has hitherto generally been. The Collector of Trichinopoly requested to be permitted to send to Madras certain papers selected to be printed; but the Board observe that the value of the work turned out in his district during 1865-66 was very small compared with some other districts. In Tanjore it was Rupees 11,526, while in Trichinopoly it was less than half this sum, amounting to no more than Rupees 5,676; and the Board have, therefore, reason to believe that, under proper management, the papers selected can be gradually printed in the Collector's own Press.

5. In Statement No. 2, the Demand, Collection, and Balance of each district, and in the Enclosure A. of Statement No. 1, the charges under different heads are given. The demand of the year on account of the several items amounted to Rupees 18,126-5-10, and together with this sum that was outstanding at the beginning of the year, amounted to Rupees 20,420-8-1. Of this sum, Rupees 17,311-2-5 was collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 3,109-5-3 at its close. The balance brought forward in the Kistna District will be found to differ from what was shewn in the Return for 1864-65. In explanation of this, the Collector states that the accounts of 1864-65 having been lost during the cyclone, the present return has been prepared from the accounts received from the talooks. The following abstract exhibits the Demand, Collection, and Balance of each item during the year for the whole Presidency:—

Items.	Outstanding balance at the end of 1864-65.	Deduct amount of irrecoverable balance, &c., written off.	Net amount.	Demand.	Total.	Collections.	Balance.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Work done for private individuals ...	729	13	716	1,941	2,657	1,846	811
Subscription to District Gazettes ...	1,537	...	1,537	15,004	16,541	14,356	2,185
Sundry items, such as sales of printed books, &c.	41	...	41	1,181	1,222	1,109	113
Total...	2,307	13	2,294	18,126	20,420	17,311	3,109

6. The sum of Rupees 13, deducted as irrecoverable from the outstanding balance on account of work done for private individuals, belongs to Malabar, being the value of work performed for the projected Tramway Company, which was afterwards abandoned. This sum was ordered to be written off the accounts, the Collector having stated that it was irrecoverable.

7. Of the demand of Rupees 2,657, inclusive of the previous year's balance of Rupees 716 for work done for private individuals, Rupees 1,846 was collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 811. More than half of this sum appertains to the Kistna District; but no explanation of the delay in the collection is offered. In Tinnevelly also there is a balance of Rupees 141; but a large portion of this, viz., Rupees 120, is due on account of a Tamil book partially printed. The Collector states that when the remainder of the work is completed, the total cost will be realized.

8. The demand on account of subscription to District Gazettes amounted to Rupees 15,004, or Rupees 4,771 in excess of the year 1864-65. Together with the previous year's balance, the demand amounted to Rupees 16,541, of which Rupees 14,356 was collected, leaving Rupees 2,185 to be realized in the current year. Of this balance, Rupees 653 belongs to South Arcot. In the six districts noted in the margin also, there were large balances outstanding. The Collectors of these districts generally promise to realize their balances within the current year. They ought not to have been allowed to accumulate to such an extent.

	RS.
Kistna	374
Cuddapah	290
Madras	235
Salem	194
South Canara	125
Kurnool	146

9. The Collectors of the five districts noted in the margin request sanction for writing off the sum set opposite to each in the accounts of the current year. These sums the Board find, from the explanation of the Collectors given in their reports, to be irrecoverable; and they accordingly authorize the Collectors to write them off the accounts.

	RS.	A.	P.
Cuddapah	1	2	9
Bellary	3	0	0
Tanjore	8	1	2
Salem	3	9	10
South Canara	0	10	0

10. From the Enclosure A. to Statement No. 1, which exhibits the charges incurred during the year on account of the Presses, it will be seen that the total expenditure amounted to Rs. 52,170-5-5, as particularized in the margin, of which, Rupees 7,905-5-6 was the amount spent, out of Rupees 15,000 provided in the Budget of 1865-66, on account of purchase of type. There is an increase of about 8,000 Rupees in the fixed establishment, owing to the augmented rates

				RS.	A.	P.
Fixed Establishment				42,852	14	0
Saderwarid				1,412	1	11
				44,264	15	11
Extra Establishment	411	12	0			
Repair of Press materials	448	15	6			
Purchase of Stock	7,044	10	0			
				7,905	5	6
Total...				52,170	5	5

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of pay sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated 4th April 1865, No. 726. The other items of charge except "Repairs of Press materials," are much below those of the previous year.

11. The value of the work turned out by the Presses in the districts during the year amounted to Rupees 1,48,604, from which the actual charge of Rupees 52,170 being deducted, the net profit to Government by the employment of Presses may be taken as Rupees 96,434. Even according to the actual transactions of the Press, there is a profit of Rupees 25,274 in favour of Government, as shewn below, exclusive of the cost of plant, which amounted to Rupees 7,044 :—

Amount available to meet the cost.

	RS.	A.	P.			
Amount taken to credit as savings in the Revenue Establishment	44,264	15	11			
Actual cash collections	17,311	2	5			
Value of work done for Judicial Department, for which no cash was realized	6,627	0	0			
Do. of do. for other Public Offices do. do.	9,241	0	0			
				77,444	2	4
Deduct charges, as shewn in the margin of paragraph 10				52,170	5	5
Excess or profit to Government...				25,273	12	11

12. The Collector of the Godavery District, in paragraph 7 of his Report, requests authority for selling two unserviceable Wooden Presses, and some worn out and useless English type transferred from the Narasapoor Sub-Collector's Office. The Collector is, accordingly, authorized to dispose of them, and to credit the sale proceeds to "26 Miscellaneous."

13. The Collector of Bellary applies (paragraph 8) for sanction for the employment of a man on Rupees 10-8-0 per month, for cleaning forms, boiling glue for rollers, cutting paper for the Press, &c. The Press Department is provided with an Attender, who should be required to attend to this kind of miscellaneous work; and other Attenders also, in the English Department, may occasionally be employed upon it. The Board, therefore, see no necessity for the employment of a separate person for this work, while such aid is not required in any other district. The Board also observe that this application should not have been made in a Periodical report, which is intended simply as a review of the operations of the Press.

14. The Collector of Salem requests to be furnished with a demy-sized Machine Press, and some other Collectors complain that the type applied for, from the Superintendent of the Gazette Press, have not been duly received. These are not subjects which ought to be treated in Periodical reports. If any Collector

requires a press or type, he should submit indents or estimates in ordinary course with full explanation of the necessity, upon which the necessary orders will be passed by the Board.

15. The Collector of Kurnool states that his District Press at present works under great disadvantages, owing to the want of a proper Printing Office, there being no better accommodation than a verandah screened by bamboo mats. Similar inconvenience appears to be felt in the Madras District also. The Collectors should take steps, in communication with the Superintending Engineer, to provide proper accommodation for the Press Department.

16. The Collector of Malabar states, with reference to the sanction granted for the entertainment of a type-founder for casting type, that it being very difficult to secure a person in Malabar for the work, one was obtained from Travancore, but that he has not made much progress with the work, having turned out only 150 lbs. from January last, when he was first entertained. He does not, however, clearly say how much this work has cost, whether the continued employment of the type-founder is necessary, or whether to obtain the supply from Madras would not be more advantageous. He is requested to submit this information.

17. The Collectors of North Arcot and Coimbatore alone notice that the Registers connected with the Press transactions are properly kept. The late period at which some of the Press Reports were received from Collectors, shews that in some districts these Registers are still not properly maintained. The reports from the districts noted in the margin were received within the month of May. The report from the Collector of Kurnool is the latest, being dated 13th September 1866. If the Registers were properly kept up, there should be no difficulty in drawing up the report a few days after the close of the official year. The attention of the Treasury Deputy Collectors should be called to this matter, and the Collectors should make it a point to look into these Registers occasionally, at least towards the close of the official year, and notice the subject in their Press Reports. The Collectors of Vizagapatam and Nellore submit the reports of their Treasury Deputies addressed to themselves. There is no reason why these reports should not be addressed by the Collectors themselves to the Board, as is done in all other districts.

Ganjam.	Cuddapah.
Vizagapatam.	Tanjore.
Godavery.	Tinnevelly.
Nellore.	South Canara.

18. The publication of the District Gazette has been the chief work of the Printing Presses; but it is desirable that these Presses should be more utilized in the way of diminishing manual labour. In paragraph 25 of their Press Report for 1864-65, the Board pointed out that, by furnishing printed forms for the different

abstracts, and for the various accounts kept in the Talook Cutcherries, and transmitted thence to the Huzur Cutcherry, there will be not only a great diminution in manual labour, but that a greater regularity of system will be insured. They also noticed that the specimen copies of forms printed, called for by the Board, were not received from even a single district; and the particular attention of the Collectors was requested to the subject. Only the Collectors of the eight districts noted in the margin, have since sent in copies of the specimen forms, and the inaction in the other districts proves clearly how indifferent the Treasury Deputy Collectors are about any improvement of this kind. The Board's Circular, forwarding sets of specimen copies of forms of Returns, &c., was issued on 15th May 1865, and the Treasury Deputy Collectors of eleven districts have, apparently, done nothing in the matter for the last eighteen months. They seem indifferent whether the Talook accounts are received in proper form, and whether manual labour is saved or not, and their indifference is not creditable to them. The Collectors should have taken notice of their conduct. The Collector of Tinnevelly forwards with his Press Report specimen forms of a few Talook accounts printed at his Press, stating that the remainder will be printed hereafter. The Board observe that the specimen forms should not have been sent with the report, but separately. The Collector of South Canara observes in paragraph 4 of his Report, that the introduction of these forms has proved very satisfactory, and that the accounts and returns submitted from the talooks are now found not only more neat and correct than before, but that their transmission has been much accelerated. The advantage of good printed forms cannot be denied. The Treasury Deputy Collectors have vast opportunities of developing the Presses, and turning them to useful account, and it is greatly to be regretted that they do not perceive that their reputation for intelligence and zeal must suffer if they do not take real interest in these improvements, but allow the opportunity to be lost by their indolence and apathy.

Godavery.	Madura.
Kistna.	Tinnevelly.
Cuddapah.	Coimbatore.
Bellary.	South Canara.

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List of the Selections from Records printed in the Districts of Ganjam, Vizagapatam Godavery, Kistna, Nellore, North Arcot, Madura, Salem, and Malabar, up to the end of 1865-66.

Districts.	The year in which printed.	Subject.
Ganjam ...	1860-61 ...	1. Report of the Circuit Committee, on the Revenue and Resources of the District, dated 25th April 1788.
	1860-61 ...	2. Report of Mr. Oram on Purlah Kimedy.
	1860-61 ...	3. Report of Mr. William Brown, on the Purgunnahs of Aska, Barwah, Poobacondah, Itchapore, Muntreddy, and Munsoorcottah, dated 4th September 1801.
	1859-60 ..	4. Report of Mr. William Brown, on the Revenue Settlement of the District for Fusly 1211, dated 15th March 1802.
	1859-60 ...	5. Reports of Mr. Peter Cherry, on the introduction of the Permanent Settlement, dated 30th November 1803, and 31st January 1804, together with the Board's Proceedings, dated 8th July and 17th May 1804, and the Order of Government thereon, under date 23rd June 1804, and with several Statements.
	1862-63 ...	6. Extract from the Report of the Special Commissioner, 3rd Division of Vizagapatam, on the Permanent Settlement of the Havalies of Chicacole and Tekkaly with the Kimedy Zemindary, dated 29th April 1803.
	1863-64 ...	7. Report of Mr. Peter Cherry, respecting the names of the Zemindaries and of the villages held in Jaghire, and their value in the district, dated 2nd April 1804.
	1864-65 ..	8. Reports of Mr. Edward Cotsford to Government, on the state of certain Zemindaries in the district, with a short history of the Pretapagiri Zemindary, dated 25th July 1771.
	1864-65 ...	9. Report of do. to Government, on the expected receipts from certain Zemindaries, dated 20th February 1772.
	1864-65 ...	10. Report of do. to Government, on the result of the expedition against the Pretapagiri Zemindar, dated 6th June 1772.
	1864-65 ..	11. The Revenue Reports with Statements for Fusly 1195, or A. D. 1785-86, from Mr. M. Williams to the Board of Revenue, dated 31st December 1787.
	1864-65 ...	12. Report of Mr. F. A. Robson, respecting the result of the introduction of the Permanent Settlement in the district. From Government to the Collector, dated 3rd September 1805. From Collector to the Board, dated 9th June 1806. From Governor General to the Collector, dated 27th April 1806. From Collector to Governor General, dated 12th June 1806.
	1864-65 ...	13. Report of Mr. Cherry, on the District and Village Police of the District, dated 14th June 1805.
Vizagapatam.	1861-62 ..	1. Report of Mr. Robert Alexander, on the permanent Jumma of the 1st Division of the District, dated 30th April 1802.
	1861-62 ..	2. Report of Mr. Webb, on the Permanent Settlement of the Zemindaries in the 2nd Division of the District, dated 10th June 1802.
	1861-62 ...	3. Report of Mr. Robert Alexander, on the Permanent Settlement of Land Revenue in the District, dated 20th April 1803.
	1861-62 ...	4. Board's reply to the Reports of Messrs. N. Webb and R. Alexander, on the resources of the Zemindaries composing the late 2nd Division of the district, dated 17th November 1803.
	1861-62 ...	5. Board's Report to Government, on the Permanent Settlement of the revenue of the late 2nd Division of the district, dated 22nd September 1803.
	1861-62 ...	6. Review by Government on the above, dated 22nd October 1803.

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List of the Selections from Records printed in the Districts, &c.—(Concluded.)

Districts.	The year in which printed.	Subject.
Vizagapatam. (*Concluded.*)	1861-62 ...	7. Mr. Walter Elliot's Report to Government, on the Inams in the Vizianagarum Zemindary, dated 17th January 1853.
	1862-63 ...	8. A collection and precis of papers about Jeypore, with an appendix containing two Reports of Lieutenant Virtue, R. E. A Diary by Major Owen, and Notes on the climate by Colonel Hoby.
	1862-63 ...	9. Principles on which the Permanent Settlement with the Zemindars, &c., was proposed, dated 15th October 1799.
	1862-63 ...	10. Report of the Special Commission, dated 11th September 1802; Reply thereon of Government, dated 15th September 1802, and the letter of the Special Commission to the Collector, dated 20th September 1802, concerning Permanent Settlement of Land Revenue of the 1st Division of the District.
	1862-63 ...	11. Report of the Special Commission, concerning the 3rd Division of the District, which comprises Havalies of Chicacole and Tekkaly, with the Zemindary of Purlah Kimedy, dated 29th April 1803, and the Government Order thereon, dated 6th May 1803.
Godavery... ...	1861-62 ...	1. Report by Sir Henry Montgomery, Bart., on the causes of the decline of revenue in Rajahmundry, and the measures proposed for the improvement of the district, dated 18th March 1844, together with the Board's Proceedings, dated 14th July 1844, and the Order of Government thereon, under date the 14th April 1846.
Kistna... ...	1860-61 ...	1. Report on the survey and assessment of the Kytopully village by Mr. P. Grant, dated 11th April 1842.
	1859-60 ..	2. Correspondence regarding the storming and capture of the Masulipatam Fort.
Nellore... ...	1865-66 ...	1. Two Reports on the Western Poliems in the district by Mr. George Stratton, one dated 14th December 1800, and the other 14th July 1801.
	1865-66 ...	2. A Statement shewing the revenue for a series of years, with details as to occupation, assessment, average yield, and price.
North Arcot.	1864-65 ...	1. A concise history of the Jaghires and Poliems of the District by Mr. Cooke.
	1864-65 ...	2. A translation of the family of Jawady Venketpathy Nayer, the Poligar of Cangoondy.
Madura	1860-61 ..	1. Report on Vanpery and Tobacco Cultivation.
	1861-62 ...	2. Correspondence passed between the Collector and the Board of Revenue, relating to the taxation of scattered trees and topes in the District, from 30th January 1854 to 28th April 1859.
	1865-66 ...	3. Correspondence passed between the Collector and the Board of Revenue, relating to the reduction of assessment in certain villages in the District, from 7th November 1815 to 26th March 1858.
Salem.....	1865-65 ...	1. Colonel Reade's Report on the original settlement of the District in 1791 to 1796, epitomized and annotated by Mr. R. K. Puckle.
Malabar..... ...	1861-62 ...	1. Major Walker's Report on the land tenure of the District, dated 20th July 1801.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

No. 1.—*Statement shewing the operation of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency during the official year* 1865-66.

Districts.	Revenue Department.											
	Office work.		District Gazettes.						Selections from Records.			
				Number of Copies.								
					On payment.							
	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.	Total number of issues.	Free.	Full subscription	Reduced subscription.	Total.	Total.	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.	Total value in Rupees.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1. Ganjam	454	1,814	54	6,569	1,646	2,483	4,129	10,698	3,685	...	...	5,499
2. Vizagapatam	677	3,295	52	6,588	2,118	1,290	3,408	9,996	4,158	...	...	7,453
3. Godavery	390	2,403	90	13,114	4,55	52,220	56,770	69,884	4,710	...	...	7,113
4. Kistna	204	2,365	56	7,350		22,883	24,116	31,466	3,388	...	...	5,753
5. Nellore	717	4,726	114	14,055		7,801	7,690	21,745	5,060	1	10	9,796
6. Cuddapah	352	2,447	53	6,304		56,0	56,860	63,161	5,860	...	...	8,307
7. Bellary	277	1,855	52	6,7		61,2	63,667	70,388	5,797	...	...	7,652
8. Kurnool	262	1,506	52	5			18,495	23,752	3,306	..	...	4,812
9. Madras	608	3,157	51				19,975	25,881	2,500	...	...	5,657
10. North Arcot	860	2,252	52	4,5			20,064	27,570	3,595	...	...	5,847
11. South Arcot	508	1,451			306	42,513	42,819	49,857	2,261	...	...	3,712
12. Tanjore	310	2,678	77		4,227	24,341	25,568	34,069	7,375	...	...	10,053
13. Trichinopoly	278	1,213	126	12,726	790	20,627	21,417	34,143	3,795	...	...	5,008
14. Madura	760	4,665	52	6,635	2,031	12,152	14,183	20,818	4,189	1	70	8,924
15. Tinnevelly	264	1,102	93	11,570	2,801	25,791	28,592	40,162	3,964	...	...	5,066
16. Coimbatore	142	684	52	7,679	1,487	28,275	29,762	37,441	4,973	...	...	5,657
17. Salem	634	3,257	51	5,910	1,312	10,426	11,738	17,648	4,126	...	..	7,383
18. South Canara	354	2,522	52	6,440	2,837	35,078	37,915	44,355	7,056	...	...	9,578
19. Malabar	271	1,565	51	9,322	2,670	30,340	33,010	42,332	5,961	...	...	7,526
Total	8,322	44,957	1,233	1,55,188	32,115	4,88,063	5,20,178	6,75,366	85,759	2	80	1,30,796

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Districts.	Judicial Department.		Other Public Offices.		Total Government work.		Private work.		Total.	
	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.
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
1. Ganjam	174	585	195	811	877	6,895	58	283	935	7,178
2. Vizagapatam	282	954	126	916	1,137	9,323	30	45	1,167	9,368
3. Godavery	180	387	36	223	696	7,723	50	128	746	7,851
4. Kistna	103	268	54	345	417	6,366	22	39	439	6,405
5. Nellore	93	309	108	952	1,033	11,057	33	52	1,066	11,109
6. Cuddapah	30	109	77	153	512	8,574	49	79	561	8,653
7. Bellary	28	97	111	515	468	8,264	29	99	497	8,363
8. Kurnool	76	242	36	176	426	5,230	153	171	579	5,401
9. Madras	8	49	41	213	708	5,919	1	25	709	5,944
10. North Arcot	182	286	163	227	1,259	6,360	2	2	1,261	6,362
11. South Arcot	123	248	100	702	782	4,662	45	40	827	4,702
12. Tanjore	256	820	83	568	726	11,441	30	85	756	11,526
13. Trichinopoly	...	...	91	631	495	5,639	12	37	507	5,676
14. Madura	98	338	191	485	1,102	9,747	53	279	1,155	10,026
15. Tinnevelly	128	291	44	148	529	5,505	34	186	563	5,691
16. Coimbatore	140	312	49	186	383	6,155	138	74	521	6,229
17. Salem	234	756	136	1,088	1,055	9,227	34	78	1,089	9,305
18. South Canara	15	104	27	307	448	9,989	28	94	476	10,083
19. Malabar	152	472	106	590	580	8,588	59	144	639	8,732
Total	2,302	6,627	1,774	9,241	13,633	1,46,664	860	1,940	14,493	1,48,604

ENCLOSURE A. to No. 1.

Statement shewing the charges of the several [illegible] Presses during the official year 1865-66.

Districts.	Fixed Establishment.	Saderwarid.	Contingencies.				Grand Total.
			Extra Establishment.	Repair of Press materials.	Purchase of Stock.	Total.	
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Ganjam ...	2,492 0 0	56 2 10	.....	1 4 0	3 0 0	4 4 0	2,552 6 10
2. Vizagapatam	2,250 2 10	95 7 7	.....	128 1 4	252 14 0	380 15 4	2,726 9 9
3. Godavery	2,247 3 10	61 11 0	.....	19 10 7	743 1 0	762 11 7	3,071 10 5
4. Kistna ...	2,254 1 0	25 12 10	59 4 3	0 14 0	575 6 9	635 9 0	2,915 6 10
5. Nellore ...	2,222 3 5	46 14 0	43 5 9	25 9 5	202 14 0	271 13 2	2,540 14 7
6. Cuddapah	2,246 3 2	60 11 4	.....	2 2 0	147 10 3	149 12 3	2,456 10 9
7. Bellary ...	2,238 14 6	95 12 5	150 0 7	130 13 10	1,340 7 7	1,621 6 0	3,956 0 11
8. Kurnool ...	2,254 12 0	73 4 0	.....	3 12 6	662 8 8	666 5 2	2,994 5 2
9. Madras ...	2,251 6 7	40 10 9	17 6 5	62 5 4	.....	79 11 9	2,371 13 1
10. North Arcot	2,219 9 8	95 5 10	.....	.....	16 3 5	16 3 5	2,331 2 11
11. South Arcot	2,248 0 0	142 15 10	16 11 10	.....	1,493 10 6	1,510 6 4	3,901 6 2
12. Tanjore	2,239 2 9	22 5 6	.....	.....	163 2 9	163 2 9	2,424 11 0
13. Trichinopoly	2,219 9 11	39 11 4	.....	.....	701 0 8	701 0 8	2,960 5 11
14. Madura	2,250 8 0	68 11 6	.....	.....	168 12 5	168 12 5	2,487 15 11
15. Tinnevelly	2,242 10 5	97 4 10	.....	.....	46 0 0	46 0 0	2,385 15 3
16. Coimbatore	2,222 0 3	100 14 0	.....	7 6 0	14 4 0	21 10 0	2,344 8 3
17. Salem ...	2,252 0 0	74 13 10	71 10 0	5 6 6	.....	77 0 6	2,403 14 4
18. South Canara	2,251 0 0	126 13 2	.....	40 0 0	513 10 0	553 10 0	2,931 7 2
19. Malabar ...	2,251 5 8	86 11 4	53 5 2	21 10 0	.....	74 15 2	2,413 0 2
Total...	42,852 14 0	1,412 1 11	411 12 0	448 15 6	7,044 10 0	7,905 5 6	5 2,170 5 5

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 2.—Statement shewing the receipts of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency during the official year 1865-66.

Districts.	Demand, Collection, and Balance.										
	Outstanding balance at the close of 1864-65.			Demand.				Total of Columns 4 and 8.	Collections during 1865-66.	Outstanding Balance.	
	Actual Balance.	Deduct amount of irrecoverable balances, &c., written off.	Remainder.	On account of private work.	Subscription to the District Gazettes.	Sundry receipts.	Total demand.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
1. Ganjam ...	14 8 0	.....	14 8 0	282 14 7	206 9 0	193 6 11	682 14 6	697 6 6	693 13 6	3 9 0	
2. Vizagapatam	28 4 0	.....	28 4 0	45 5 9	129 2 0	6 13 6	181 5 3	209 9 3	188 3 3	21 6 0	
3. Godavery ...	38 11 8	.....	38 11 8	128 7 6	612 10 0	79 1 0	820 2 6	858 14 2	809 7 2	49 7 0	
4. Kistna ...	645 12 7	.....	645 12 7	38 12 0	658 4 0	180 6 3	877 6 3	1,523 2 10	686 11 4	836 7 6	
5. Nellore ...	8 1 0	.....	8 1 0	52 3 2	113 13 0	13 15 4	179 15 6	188 0 6	183 10 6	4 6 0	
6. Cuddapah ...	7 9 0	.....	7 9 0	79 0 6	953 1 0	24 13 11	1,056 15 5	1,064 8 5	771 0 8	293 7 9	
7. Bellary ...	23 7 8	.....	23 7 8	99 12 9	2,099 11 0	72 6 0	2,271 13 9	2,295 5 5	2,256 3 2	39 2 3	
8. Kurnool ...	261 4 6	.....	261 4 6	171 4 11	553 3 0	6 7 9	730 15 8	992 4 2	810 2 5	182 1 9	
9. Madras ...	171 4 10	.....	171 4 10	24 11 3	602 2 0	0 15 0	627 12 3	799 1 1	554 3 9	244 13 4	
10. North Arcot ...	.....	.....	.....	1 12 6	443 6 0	.....	445 2 6	445 2 6	445 2 6	.....	
11. South Arcot ...	218 8 0	.....	218 8 0	39 12 0	1,263 14 0	.....	1,303 10 0	1,522 2 0	773 15 9	748 2 3	
12. Tanjore ...	7 10 3	.....	7 10 3	84 12 9	980 7 8	32 3 0	1,097 7 5	1,105 1 8	1,089 11 8	15 6 0	
13. Trichinopoly ...	113 10 6	.....	113 10 6	36 9 2	278 13 0	19 0 0	334 6 2	448 0 8	346 6 5	101 10 3	
14. Madura ...	.....	.....	.....	279 2 0	458 0 0	70 10 5	807 12 5	807 12 5	807 12 5	.....	
15. Tinnevelly ...	37 9 6	.....	37 9 6	185 14 6	1,533 10 0	61 4 0	1,780 12 6	1,818 6 0	1,676 12 6	141 9 6	
16. Coimbatore ...	74 1 10	.....	74 1 10	74 6 8	879 15 0	0 11 0	955 0 8	1,029 2 6	955 7 8	73 10 10	
17. Salem ...	36 15 4	.....	36 15 4	78 6 0	364 10 6	.....	443 0 6	479 15 10	275 11 1	204 4 9	
18. South Canara...	532 1 0	.....	532 1 0	94 9 6	1,234 9 0	413 11 10	1,742 14 4	2,274 15 4	2,125 1 10	149 13 6	
19. Malabar ...	87 12 7	13 12 0	74 0 7	143 8 0	1,638 15 8	5 0 7	1,787 8 3	1,861 8 10	1,861 8 10	.....	
Total...	2,307 4 3	13 12 0	2,293 8 3	1,941 5 6	15,004 11 10	1,180 14 6	18,126 15 10	20,420 8 1	17,311 2 5	3,109 5 8	

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 388. ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1867, No. 946.

Miscellaneous.

1. In these Proceedings the Board of Revenue report on the operations of the Collectorate Presses during the year 1865-66. Both the number of papers printed and the value of work done shew an increase above the results of 1864-65. The value of work done, which was only Rupees 28,186 in 1857-58, has risen steadily year by year to Rupees 1,48,604 in 1865-66.

	1864-65.	1865-66.
Number of papers printed	12,216	14,493
Value of work, ... Rupees	1,32,444	1,48,604

2. The total charges of the year amounted to Rupees 52,170, and deducting this sum from the total value of work done, the result was a net profit to Government of Rupees 96,434. The Board remark that taking the actual transactions into account, instead of including in the assets the nominal value of the large amount of work done for the Revenue Department, there still remained a clear profit of Rupees 25,273.

3. The circulation of the District Gazettes has risen from 6,643 in 1864-65 to 9,034 in 1865-66. The backwardness of the district of Nellore in this respect is discouraging. No attempt seems to have been made in any part of the Presidency to render the contents of these publications more interesting, and the Board of Revenue are requested to consider the suggestions on this point made in the G. O. on the last report, and to devise means for making the Gazettes "disseminate useful information" to a greater extent than they do at present.

4. The Government are concerned to learn that very few of the Collectors have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded by their Presses, of placing the valuable information which may be found in their records before the public in a convenient form. The only districts in which Selections were printed during the year are those noted in the margin. The Government trust that the next report will shew that the District Officers are taking greater interest in the work. The alleged want of type and other press material cannot be admitted as an excuse, because the Government are prepared to sanction all reasonable proposals for additions to the present stock.

Nellore.
Madura.
Salem.

5. The Government have directed that all private work should be paid for on delivery, but there was a balance on this account of Rupees 811, more than half of which the Board state appertains to the Kistna district. The Board will call upon the Collector of that district, as well as the Collectors of other districts where similar balances appear, for explanation as to their grounds for not conforming to the rule.

6. The subscriptions to the District Gazette should be collected quarterly in advance, and although discretion is required in striking off names for default, there can be no sufficient reason for the large outstanding balances referred to in paragraph 8 of the Board's Proceedings, and particularly for that shewn in South Arcot, where the amount was Rupees 653.

7. The Government note, with approval, the Board's animadversions on the delay in several districts in furnishing printed forms for Talook accounts, and on

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the tardiness with which the Treasury Deputy Collectors bring the resources of the Collectoral Presses into operation in simplifying and supplying forms of accounts.

8. It is observed that in his report on the Judicial Establishments lately submitted to Government, the Honourable Mr. Innes remarks that the District Printing Presses are generally unable to turn out in any reasonable time the work required of them by the Courts.

9. Under these circumstances, it appears to Government that private work should not be undertaken by the District Presses except in very exceptional cases, to be admitted by the Collector only, and that the Board's special attention should be directed to making the Presses as efficient as possible in regard to plant. The first charge on this account will doubtless prove good economy in the end.

10. The Government trust that the remarks made in paragraph 8, G. O. 28th November 1865, No. 2,958, with respect to Press Registers, will be sufficient to ensure proper attention to them in the current year.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

CUDDALORE, 29th April 1867.

No. 106.

From C. W. READE, Esq.,

Collector of SOUTH ARCOT,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my Report on the operations of the Press Department in this district during the past official year 1866-67, accompanied by the usual explanatory Statements. In viewing the results of the year under report, as compared with those of the previous one, it is necessary to bear in mind that the former comprises the transactions of only eleven months in consequence of the alteration in the official year just closed, and which was ordered to terminate with the 31st March instead of the 30th April as heretofore.

2. Notwithstanding the above cause affecting the comparison, the value of work executed by the Press during the past year shows an excess over the previous one of Rupees 442, and if the transactions of April 1866 be excluded from the returns of 1865-66, the comparison is still more favourable, showing a larger increase, viz., Rupees 747. The increase is chiefly in office work, blank forms of numerous periodical returns, &c., having been printed, which greatly diminished manual labour.

3. The number of Subscribers to the District Gazette has, however, fallen off slightly towards the end of the year, many of the Village Officers in Trinamalay taluk having withdrawn in consequence of their stated inability to pay.

4. The demand on account of subscription to the District Gazette, including the value of private work done during the year, amounted to Rupees 1,193-12-0, which with the previous year's balance, amounted to Rupees 1,941-14-3. The receipts during the year, amounting to Rupees 652-12-6, being deducted, there remained at its close Rupees 1,289-1-9 to be collected. A large portion of this balance has been since realized, and stringent orders have been issued for the prompt recovery of the still remaining balance.

5. The charges of the year amounted to Rupees 2,310-14-3, being less than those of its predecessor by Rupees 1,590. This increase was mainly owing to no expenditure having been incurred in the year under report for the purchase of stock, while in the year before a sum of Rupees 1,493-10-6 was laid out for this purpose. The want of another Press, and a further quantity of English Type is much felt, and an indent for them will shortly be submitted for the Board's sanction.

6. The Press having been so fully occupied with ordinary and current work, the printing of the Selections from old records although commenced during the year could not be completed. From the Selections in the list approved by the Board, the paper noted in the margin, which is the most interesting in my Office records, will be completed in the course of a few weeks, when others will be taken in hand, and during the current year, I trust considerable progress will have been made in the printing of these old Selections.

Ramasawmy Naidoo's Memoir on the internal Revenue system of the Madras Presidency.

7. I have already with my letter of the 27th instant, No. 104, furnished the Board with specimen copies of the blank forms of Returns, &c., printed at the District Press, and it is, therefore, unnecessary to offer any further remarks here.

8. The Press Registers have been regularly and carefully kept since the beginning of 1865-66, and the transactions being daily posted in them according to the Board's instructions on the subject, the annual accounts connected with the Press Department during the past two years have been readily prepared immediately after the expiration of the official year.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

TINNEVELLY, 3rd May 1867.

No. 232.

From R. K. PUCKLE, ESQ.,
Collector of TINNEVELLY,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to report on the operations of the District Press for the official year 1866-67.

2. The value of work done amounts to Rupees 7,035-11-2, or Rupees 1,344-1-0 more than the value of that done the year before.

3. The total amount received was Rupees 1,133-5-9, or Rupees 542-12-9 less than the year before. This deficiency, however, is only nominal, as a considerable sum was received in 1865-66 in advance for subscriptions to the Gazette.

4. The number of private Subscribers has doubled, but there is no doubt that unless urged to renew their subscriptions, the village officers quietly discontinue them for they are perfectly uninterested in General Orders, feeling sure that all required of them will be communicated as usual by takid from the Cusbah.

5. A balance of Rupees 203-0-6 remained uncollected on account of private work. Of this, Rupees 183-12-0 was due on account of the Tamil publication referred to in the report for the previous year. The printing of this work was finally completed in March last, and the amount was collected in April and credited in the accounts. The small balance still due will be collected shortly.

6. The Registers connected with the working of the Press are properly kept.

COIMBATORE, 4th May 1867.

No. 103.

From P. GRANT, ESQ.,
Collector of COIMBATORE,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to forward the annual printed Returns connected with the working of the Printing Press of this Collectorate for the year 1866-67, prepared in the forms circulated by the Board of Revenue with their Miscellaneous Circular No. XLIX. (Board No. 2,692) of the 22nd May 1865.

2. The official year under report having terminated with the 31st day of March 1867, (*vide* Fort Saint George Gazette, dated 18th May 1866, page 850,) this letter embraces the transactions of the Press Department for eleven months only, *i. e.*, from May 1866 to March 1867.

3. Subjoined is an abstract of the work done, together with its estimated value, as compared with the same details in the year preceding :—

Items.	1865-66.		1866-67.		Comparison of the value of work performed.	
	No. of papers.	Value of work.	No. of papers.	Value of work.	Increase.	Decrease.
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Office work...	142	683 7 8	183	1,422 0 7	738 8 11	... ...
District Gazette... ...	52	4,973 3 8	49	5,363 7 0	390 3 4	... ...
Judicial Department...	140	311 9 5	48	168 4 11	... ...	143 4 6
Other Public offices ...	49	186 4 9	179	463 13 1	277 8 4	... ...
Private work...	138	74 6 8	70	78 3 8	3 13 0	... ...
	521	6,229 0 2	529	7,495 13 3	1,410 1 7	143 4 6
Deduct decrease...	...	... ...	...	... ...	143 4 6	... ...
Net increase...	...	... ...	...	... ...	1,266 13 1	... ...

4. It will be seen that under the head "Office work," the value of work executed during the year under notice is Rupees 1,422-0-7, against Rupees 683-7-8 for 1865-66, showing an increase of Rupees 738-8-11. The introduction of the Road Cess Act necessitated the printing of a greater number of puttahs in 1866-67 than in 1865-66. A number of Magisterial forms were also struck off. This was not the case in the year 1865-66. Hence the increase under this head.

The amount exhibited under "District Gazette" likewise shows an increase of Rupees 390-3-4. The actual number of papers struck off is fewer; but the net value of the work is in excess of that for 1865-66.

5. The number of parties to whom Gazettes were supplied on the reduced rate of subscription was 543 in 1866-67, against 540 in 1865-66. In the number also of persons who purchased Gazettes on payment of the full rate of subscription there was an increase of nine upon that for 1865-66. Under the authority conveyed in the Proceedings of the Board, No. 1,547, dated 13th March 1867, Gazettes are supplied to the Revenue Inspectors throughout the district on the reduced rate of subscription. The fluctuations in the amount of work turned out under the other heads do not call for remark.

6. The annexed Statement shows the actual receipts during the past year, as compared with those for 1865-66 :—

Items.	1865-66.	1866-67.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Private	75 15 8	76 12 6	0 12 10	... ...
Subscription to District Gazette ... ... (Arrears and current.	577 7 0	666 8 0	89 1 0	... ...
Subscription to District Gazette ... ... (Advance	172 10 0	248 2 0	75 8 0	... ...
Sundry Items	0 15 0	7 12 0	6 13 0	... ...
Total...	826 15 8	999 2 6	172 2 10	... ...

7. The receipts on account of the different items specified above show an increase of Rupees 172-2-10, while in 1865-66 there was a decrease of Rupees 24-4-6.

8. The charges incurred are as follow :—

Items.	1865-66.	1866-67.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Establishment	2,222 0 3	2,042 8 11	... ...	179 7 4
Saderwarid...	100 14 0	184 4 9	83 6 9	... ...
Purchase and repair of stock and sundry charges	21 10 0	478 10 0	457 0 0	... ...
Extra establishment	... ...	4 4 6	4 4 6	... ...
Amount refunded, being the sum of Gazette subscription over-collected	... ...	1 2 0	1 2 0	... ...
Deduct decrease...	2,344 8 3	2,710 14 2	545 13 3	179 7 4
	... ...	... ...	179 7 4	... ...
Net increase...	... ...	... ...	366 5 11	... ...

9. There is a nominal decrease of Rupees 179-7-4 under the head "Establishment;" but this is due to the fact that the charges for eleven months only are entered in the State ment. The remittance made to the Superintendent of the Government Press, Fort Saint George, being the value of press materials supplied by him in 1866-67, accounts for the large increase under the head "Purchase and repair of stock, &c." The greater amount of work executed in the Press Department during the last year, and the high prices which articles of all kinds commanded during that period, are the causes of increase under the head Saderwarid. The sum of Rupee 1-2-0, which forms the last item in the foregoing Statement, was refunded to the payer, as it subsequently appeared that it was an over-collection.

10. With respect to the charges under the head "Extra Establishment," I beg to state that as the introduction of the Road Cess Act as stated above necessitated the printing and issue of a greater number of puttahs than usual, and as the fixed establishment had enough to do to carry on their current work, the entertainment of additional hands as a temporary measure was indispensable.

11. The charges under the head "Purchase and repair of stock," comprise the following items :—

		RS.	A.	P.
(*a*).	Amount paid to the Superintendent of Government Printing Establishment as per Board's sanction, dated 24th October 1866, No. 7,666...	388	10	6
(*b*).	Do. paid for damping Boards and Cases as per sanction of Board, dated 6th October 1865, No. 6,556...	40	0	0
	Benches. Damping Boards. Galley racks. (*c*). Amount paid for articles noted in the margin, as per sanction, dated 18th February 1867, No. 989	20	0	0
(*d*).	Repair of stock...	23	1	2
(*e*).	Sundry charges...	6	14	4
	Total...	478	10	0

12. With respect to (c) I would remark that the Board in their Proceedings above quoted sanctioned only a sum of Rupees 17 for the making of the articles in question. The estimate appears to have been prepared with reference to the prices, as they obtain in Madras. But here they are higher, and consequently an additional expense of 3 Rupees was incurred.

13. The total demand on account of the Press for the year under notice is Rupees 985-2-6, inclusive of the outstanding balance at the end of last year. Of this sum, Rupees 923-10-6 have been collected, and measures shall be taken for the collection of the balance, Rupees 61-8-0.

14. As regards the several Registers prescribed for the Press Department, I beg to observe that they are regularly kept under the superintendence of my Treasury Deputy.

15. A list of records intended for publication was submitted to the Board, and approved by them in Proceedings dated 22nd September 1866, No. 6,809.

They are now being copied out from the old records, and, when ready, will be printed under the supervision of the Treasury Deputy Collector.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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MASULIPATAM, 9th May 1867.

No. 134.

From G. THORNHILL, ESQ.,
Collector of the KISTNA DISTRICT,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my Annual Report on the operations of the Printing Press in this district for the official year 1866-67, together with the usual Statements prepared in the prescribed forms.

2. It will be observed from Statement A, that there is a decrease of Rupees 629-5-11 in the value of work done in the current official year, compared with that of the preceding year. It is owing to the official year having been closed on the 30th March, and the forms printed not being tabular, by which the charge for printing is reduced.

3. The marginal statement will show the number of Gazettes issued, during the year under report, free of charge, on full and on reduced subscriptions as compared with the preceding year. From this, it will be observed, that the decrease in the number of Gazettes distributed free, is owing to the discontinuation of Gazettes to Collectors of other districts, and increase in the number on full and reduced subscriptions to the increased demands from villagers.

Years.	Free.	Full. Subscription.	Reduced. Subscription.
1866-67	1,453	325	5,734
1865-66	1,578	263	4,910
Increase...	...	62	824
Decrease...	125	...	...

4. No selections from the records were printed in the year under report, as the Press was fully occupied with the works of the office and other Public Departments.

5. The amount of private work performed in the current year is Rs. 112-8-8, or Rs. 73-12-8 below that of the last year.

6. The approximate value of the stock on hand in the Press Department, will be seen from the enclosed Statement.

7. The "Little Favourite" Press recently received, is working very well. It was much damaged in the voyage, but has been repaired by the assistance of Captain Smith, R. E., in charge of the Bezwada Workshop. This Press strikes off 1,200 copies in an hour; but is only large enough for Foolscap-sized forms: a Columbian Press for the larger forms will render the Press Establishment very efficient.

Exd. J. Wright.

CALICUT, 13th May 1867.

No. 100.

From J. C. HANNYNGTON, ESQ.,

Acting Collector of MALABAR,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my report on the working of the District Press during the year 1866-67, with the usual explanatory Statements.

2. The money receipts on account of the Press, by subscriptions to the District Gazette and the value of work done for private individuals, amounted during the eleven months of the year to Rupees 1,227-14-8,* being a decrease of Rupees 234-15-4 in comparison with the collections of the corresponding period of the previous year. This decrease is attributable to Rupees 335 of the subscriptions to the Gazette for 1866-67 having been received in advance in 1865-66. The whole of the subscriptions to the Gazette were collected, and there was no balance at the end of the year.

	RS.	A.	P.
Subscription to Gazette.	1,008	0	0
Private work	219	6	0
Sundry receipts	0	8	8
	1,227	14	8

3. The value of the work turned out by the Press during the year on account of the Gazette, the various Government Departments, and private individuals, is shown in comparison with the corresponding period of the previous year in the subjoined abstract:—

	Revenue Department.		District Gazette.		Selection from records.		Judicial Department.		Other Public Offices.		Private work.		Total.	
	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of issues.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.
1865-66	253	1,515	47	5,416	...	...	149	459	104	588	54	125	607	8,102
1866-67	253	1,397	47	5,353	...	...	177	569	113	393	73	219	663	7,931
Increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	110	9	...	19	94	56	...
Decrease...	...	118	...	63	...	...	...	...	...	195	...	...	...	171

4. The amount of work performed is equal to that of the past year. The Police and Military Departments did not offer as much work as in last year, but there was a considerable increase in the quantity of work done for the Judicial and Medical Departments, as well as for private individuals. The Press Establishment being fully engaged, was obliged to refuse a considerable amount of work proffered by private individuals.

5. The only important publication from the Press during the year was a paper of Statistics of Malabar presented to His Excellency the Governor on his tour through the District. Three copies of this paper are herewith submitted. The circulation of the District Gazette has further increased in the year from 864 to 970 copies, and the number of paying Subscribers from 669 to 765.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

No. 125.

TERUMANGALUM, 13th May 1867.

From the Honourable D. ARBUTHNOTT,
Collector of MADURA,
To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my report for 1866-67, on the operations of the Collectorate Press of this district, accompanied with the usual Statements.

2. The value of work turned out during the year under report amounted to Rupees 8,201-1-2, showing a decrease, as compared with 1865-66, of Rupees 1,825-1-2. But this falling off is not so great as it apparently is, inasmuch as the transactions shown in Statement No. I. are those of eleven months, in consequence of the official year ending in March instead of April; whereas that for the preceding year exhibits the transactions of twelve months.

3. I shall now proceed to notice the different heads of work; and, first, with reference to that called "Office work," even after making some allowance for the one month, for the reason above stated, there is still a decrease which, however, I do not consider as indicating any diminution of the useful working of the Press, as the requirements of the office have been promptly and fully met.

4. In regard to the District Gazette, the subjoined abstract will show a decrease in the average number of subscribers, amount of subscriptions, value of work done, and number of issues. It will be observed, however, that the decrease is in the number of those taking the Gazette at the reduced rate, and this is the result of the apathy and ignorance of village officials, a large number of whom have discontinued taking the Gazette. I beg to state, however, that exertions have been lately made to remedy the defect. Tahsildars and Sub-Magistrates have been strictly enjoined to use their best endeavours to induce every village officer to take in the Gazette. Hitherto, translations of Board's orders have been published irregularly, and after some delay, owing to non-receipt in time of the translations from the Madras Collector's office, and this irregularity and delay have acted injuriously. But now that these translations are henceforth, to be made in this office, and as a new Press has been received, I think I shall be in a position to show better results next year:—

Years.	Average number of subscribers.			Amount of subscriptions.	Value of work done.	No. of issues.
	Full rate.	Reduced rate.	Total.			
1865-66	40	236	276	458 0 0	4,188 12 0	20,818
1867-67	62	161	223	381 14 6	3,583 2 0	16,754

5. Some Selections had been already sent to the Press as reported in paragraph 9 of Mr. Lavinge's last year's Press report. They have not, however, been printed, owing to the pressing character of the work that had to be executed from time to time. This Selection work is now being attended to, and I shall be able to send copies shortly to the Board.

6. There is a decrease under the heads Judicial and Public Works Departments, but the decrease that would remain after making due allowance for the one month, would be too small to call for any special notice.

7. In regard to other Departments, there have been slight increases which, however, are too insignificant to be remarked upon.

8. There is an increase of Rupees 55 in the amount of private work done, and it is on account chiefly of the forms, &c., printed for the Municipal Commission.

9. A new Press was received about the middle of March last, and having seen it at work, I am able to say that it is an efficient machine, capable of turning out double the work of any other Press in the establishment.

10. The demand of the year amounted to Rupees 745-14-9, and the whole has been realized. This compared with that for 1865-66, shows a decrease of about Rupees 62, which is the result of the demand being for eleven months in the year under report against twelve in the preceding one.

11. The total charges for the year amount to Rupees 3,613-0-9, exceeding that of 1865-66 by (in round numbers) Rupees 1,125. This is in consequence of the large outlay in the purchase of stock incurred in the year under report. The decrease in the items of salaries, &c., is because they are charged for eleven months only.

12. The total value of work done being Rupees 8,201, and the charges Rupees 3,613, the net earning of the Press amounts to Rupees 4,588.

13. The Registers connected with the Department are kept up regularly under the supervision of the Deputy Collector in charge of the Treasury.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

HOSPETT TALUK, 21st May 1867.

No. 80.

From A. WEDDERBURN, ESQ.,
Collector of BELLARY,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour, in reporting on the operations of the Collectorate Press during the past official year 1866-67, to submit the Statements required in Miscellaneous Circular of the Board of Revenue, No. 49, (Board No. 2,692,) dated 22nd May 1865.

2. Another Press, the "Little Favorite," has been added to the three Presses specified in paragraph 2 of the last Press report, and some advantage has been gained by this addition.

3. The Statement given below affords, in a tabular form, the value of the work executed during the period under report, exhibiting a net increase of Rupees 1,047-14-3 above that of the previous year, particulars of which are afforded in the body of the said Statement:—

Department.	1865-66.		1866-67.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Number of papers.	Value.	Number of papers.	Value.		
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Office work	277	1,855 5 4	373	2,860 3 3	1,004 13 11	... ...
District Gazette	52	5,797 2 6	48	6,001 0 3	203 13 9	... ...
Judicial Department ...	28	96 8 2	51	137 15 9	41 7 7	... ...
Other Public Offices... ...	111	514 10 4	125	389 6 7	... ...	125 3 9
Private work...	29	99 2 9	10	22 1 6	... ...	77 1 3
	497	8,362 13 1	607	9,410 11 4	1,250 3 3	202 5 0
				Net	1,047 14 3	

4. The demand for private work done during the past official year inclusive of last year's balance Rupees 39-2-3, amounts to Rupees 1,986-5-9, of which Rupees 1,963-4-9 has been collected within the official year, leaving a balance of Rupees 23-1-0, which was collected in April.

5. It will be seen that there is a decrease in the current year's demand of Rupees 324-10-3, below that of the previous year. This is partly attributable to the subscriptions on account of the District Gazette, &c., for the past official year having been realized in advance at the close of the previous official year, and to the transactions of the past year being for eleven months only. The sum of Rupees 3 referred to in the concluding portion of paragraph 6 of the last year's report has been written off the accounts, as per Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 8,802, dated 12th December last.

6. There has been no increase in the circulation of the District Gazette, which averages, as stated in last report, 1,500 issues per week. Considering that the language of more than half the district is Canarese, and the Gazette is printed in Telugu, I think that a very fair circulation has been obtained.

7. The charges of establishment, cost of material, stock, &c., amount to Rupees 2,595-1-1, showing a net decrease of Rupees 1,060-15-10 below that of the previous year. The decrease is attributable to the value of type, &c., which has been indented for, but not received within the year; so that the cost of the same has not been included in the charges of the year under report

8. As regards making selections, to be printed, from the records, my Deputy Collector has not the time at his disposal for the purpose. I have requested my Assistant, Mr. Buick, to undertake this work, which he will have time for after being relieved of the office of Cantonment Magistrate.

9. The accounts of the Press are regularly kept.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

No. 3,125.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 21st May 1867.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 27th April 1867, No. 946, Revenue Department.

No. 387. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th December 1866, No. 8,802 :—

ABSTRACT.—Submitting Annual Report on the operations of the District Presses during 1865-66.

No. 888. ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1867, No. 946.

Miscellaneous.

1. In these Proceedings the Board of Revenue report on the operartions of the Collectorate Presses during the year 1865-66. Both the number of papers printed and the value of work done show an increase above the results of 1864-65. The value of work done, which was only Rupees 28,186 in 1857-58, has risen steadily year by year to Rupees 1,48,604 in 1865-66.

		1864-65.	1865-66.
Number of papers printed...		12,216	14,493
Value of work	Rupees	1,32,444	1,48,604

2. The total charges of the year amounted to Rupees 52,170, and deducting this sum from the total value of work done, the result was a net profit to Government of Rupees 96,434. The Board remark that taking the actual transactions into account, instead of including in the assets the nominal value of the large amount of work done for the Revenue Department, there still remained a clear profit of Rupees 25,273.

3. The circulation of the District Gazettes has risen from 6,643 in 1864-65 to 9,034 in 1865-66. The backwardness of the district of Nellore in this respect is discouraging. No attempt seems to have been made in any part of the Presidency to render the contents of these publications more interesting, and the Board of Revenue are requested to consider the suggestions on this point made in the G. O. on the last report, and to devise means for making the Gazettes "disseminate useful information" to a greater extent than they do at present.

4. The Government are concerned to learn that very few of the Collectors have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded by their Presses, of placing the valuable information which may be found in their records before the public in a convenient form. The only districts in which Selections were printed during the year are those noted in the margin. The Government trust that the next report will show that the District Officers are taking greater interest in the work. The alleged want of type and other press materials cannot be admitted as an excuse, because the Government are prepared to sanction all reasonable proposals for additions to the present stock.

Nellore.
Madura.
Salem.

5. The Government have directed that all private work should be paid for on delivery, but there was a balance on this account of Rupees 811, more than half of which the Board state appertains to the Kistna district. The Board will call upon the Collector of that district, as well as the Collectors of other districts where similar balances appear, for explanation as to their grounds for not conforming to the rule.

6. The subscriptions to the District Gazette should be collected quarterly in advance, and although discretion is required in striking off names for default, there can be no sufficient reason for the large outstanding balances referred to in paragraph 8 of the Board's Proceedings, and particularly for that shown in South Arcot, where the amount was Rupees 653.

7. The Government note, with approval, the Board's animadversions on the delay in several districts in furnishing printed forms for Taluk accounts, and on the tardiness with which the Treasury Deputy Collectors bring the resources of the Collectoral Presses into operation in simplifying and supplying forms of accounts.

8. It is observed that in his report on the Judicial Establishments lately submitted to Government, the Honourable Mr. Innes remarks that the District Printing Presses are generally unable to turn out in any reasonable time the work required of them by the Courts.

9. Under these circumstances, it appears to Government that private work should not be undertaken by the District Presses except in very exceptional cases, to be admitted by the Collector only, and that the Board's special attention should be directed to making the Presses as efficient as possible in regard to plant. The first charge on this account will doubtless prove good economy in the end.

10. The Government trust that the remarks made in paragraph 8, G. O. 28th November 1865, No. 2,958, with respect to Press Registers, will be sufficient to insure proper attention to them in the current year.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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1. Communicated to all Collectors, whose particular attention is requested to the several points noticed by Government in the Order.

2. The special attention of the Collector of Nellore is drawn to the remark made in paragraph 3 of the Order, regarding the backwardness in the circulation of the District Gazettes in his district. It is also requested that the several Collectors will, after due consideration, make any suggestions which occur to them, in order to render their District Gazettes more capable of disseminating useful information than at present.

3. Collectors should bear in mind, with reference to paragraph 4 of the Order, that in future the alleged want of type and other press materials cannot be admitted as an excuse for delay in the printing of Selections. In submitting the Indents for Press materials for the year 1867-68, they will include in them all such articles as may be actually required to conduct the business of the Press efficiently, the charge being of course limited to the provision in the Budget for the current year, unless under special circumstances.

4. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Order, the Collector of the Kistna district will report, as soon as possible, why such a large balance as Rupees 420 was allowed to accumulate, on the 30th April 1866, on account of the work done for private individuals. In the other districts also, with the exception of the four districts noted in the margin, there were certain balances on this account on the above date. The Collectors of these districts will also be requested to explain why they have not conformed to the rule, which requires that all private work should be paid for on delivery.

Nellore.
North Arcot.
Madura.
Malabar.

5. Collectors should also in future adhere to the rule laid down by Government in paragraph 6 of the Order, in regard to the collection of subscriptions to the District Gazettes. The attention of the Collector of South Arcot is specially drawn to the concluding part of this paragraph.

6. Adverting to paragraph 7, the Board trust that Collectors will see that all the forms of Accounts and Returns used in the Collector's Cutcherry and Taluks are printed.

(True Extracts.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Secretary.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. T. MAYNE,
Acting First Assistant.

To all Collectors.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

1867. Department.

No.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 21*st May* 1867.

Received

No. 3,125.

Communicating to Collectors, with remarks, Orders of Government on Board's Report on operations of District Presses during 1865-66, and requesting Collectors to offer suggestions to render their District Gazettes more capable of disseminating useful information than at present.

SYDAPET, 4th June 1867.

No. 151.

From G. THORNHILL, Esq.,
Acting Collector of MADRAS,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit, for the information of the Board, the usual annual Report on the operation of the Printing Press of this district, with the necessary explanatory returns.

2. The gross value of the work turned out during the past official year is Rupees 6,503-4-0, against Rupees 5,943-15-3 of the preceding year, showing thereby an increase of about Rupees 560.

3. The circulation of the District Gazette has not made such advance during the year under report as it did in the previous year, the number of additional subscribers being but few.

4. There has been no progress made in the printing of selections of the district records approved of by the Board, as the Press was fully occupied with the current work of this and other departments. No proper room has yet been erected for the Press Department, nor is there a sufficient quantity of types. Both these grievances, complained of by Mr. Fane in his last Report, dated 14th June 1866, No. 180, will, I hope, be soon removed.

5. The proposal for the construction of a room for the Press Department is now before the Superintending Engineer. I will shortly submit, with reference to the Order of Government, * dated 27th April last, No. 946, an Indent for types required, as also for a "Little Favourite" Printing Press, which I have found to work well in the Kistna district, where it has been found capable of striking off 1,000 to 1,200 copies per hour.

* Vide Board's Proceedings, dated 21st May 1867, No. 3,125.

6. The amount of private work turned out of the Press is very small, the collections under this head being but Rupees 40.

CHITTOOR, 7th June 1867.

No. 142.

From J. D. ROBINSON, ESQ.,
Collector of NORTH ARCOT,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my report on the operations of the Printing Press attached to this Office during the Official year 1866-67, along with Statements Nos. 1 and 2 circulated with the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. XLIX., dated 22nd May 1865.

2. Statement No. 1 shows the quantity and value, nominal and real, of work executed during the year.

3. The total value of work executed thus amounts to Rupees 7,530-13-8, that of the previous year being Rupees 6,362-11-9. The increase is thus Rupees 1,168-1-11. It should be held in mind also that the Statement now submitted represents only the work of eleven months owing to the change in the mode of computing the Official year, and that the increase thus shown is considerably smaller than it would have been had the periods compared been of equal duration.

4. The increase is attributable to an increase of work during the year under review in the shape of Forms, Circulars, Revenue and Magisterial, and other Miscellaneous papers, as well as to the requirements in the Judicial Department and other Public Offices being larger than in the preceding year, as may be seen from Enclosure A. of Statement No. 1.

5. The forms circulated by the Board for the various Taluk and Huzur Accounts have nearly all been printed and distributed during the year.

6. Mr. Stratton's report on the Western Pollams was printed in the year under report, in accordance with Board's Proceedings, dated 7th March 1866, No. 1,583. This publication though put in hand at once, has, in consequence of heavy local requirements, made but slow progress towards completion. The number of pages printed was 27, and of copies struck off 50. This year I propose to put in hand—

1. Report on the Tirupatti Pagodas.
2. The Special Commission's reply to Mr. Stratton's reports.

7. There has been a considerable decrease in the circulation of the District Gazette during the year, as will be seen from Statement No. 2. This was a natural result of the peculiar situation of this district in which Telugu and Tamil are spoken in almost equal proportions, the former being the language of the northern section, and the latter of the southern section of the population. Thus the vernacular of the Gazette of this district being as a rule Telugu, the inducement to subscribe in the Tamil taluks which constitute the richest and most enlightened portion of the district are, comparatively speaking, small. Under a certain measure of official pressure steadily exercised the subscription list might possibly be kept up; but if the Gazette be left to its own attractions its circulation will have a downward rather than an upward tendency. In proof of this I may state that the circulation has dropped off principally in the Tamil taluks. I have a draft proposition in hand which I propose shortly to submit to the Board for their consideration with reference to a difficulty which is perhaps peculiar to this district, but which now unquestionably embarrasses the natural circulation of this useful publication.

8. No fresh set of types or other press materials were supplied during the year under report, although they have been indented for, and sanctioned by the Board in their Proceedings, dated 18th February 1867, No. 989. Owing to the want of proper materials it has been found most difficult to give to our printing work the neatness and finish which could be desired. The amount of Rupees 769-6-0, shown under Charges in Statement No. 2, is the value of materials supplied for 1865-66, brought to account last year.

9. As no charge has been made for work executed on account of Public Departments under the Order of Government of 23rd September 1862, No. 2,067, the actual proceeds of Press operations are merely those realized on private jobs, and from subscriptions to the District Gazette. The receipts from the former amounted to Rupees 32-6-1, and from the latter to Rupees 372; of these, Rupees 279-11-9 only were collected during the year, leaving a balance of Rupees 124-10-4 for future recovery.

10. The accounts connected with the Press Department are, I may add in conclusion. kept in accordance with the system laid down. The Board's instructions are being rigidly observed.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

TRICHINOPOLY, 11th June 1867.

No. 141.

From G. VANSAGNEW, ESQ.,

Acting Collector of TRICHINOPOLY.

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to report on the working of the Printing Press of this Collectorate for the year 1866-67, and to submit the usual Statements.

Years.	Value of work.
	Rs.
1866-67	5,888
1865-66	5,676
Difference...	212

Year.	On full subscription	On reduced subscription.
1865-66...	9	169
1866-67...	12	198
	3	29

2. The operations of the Press have been satisfactory. The value of work turned out was greater by Rupees 212, than in the preceding year.

3. The value of work executed for private individuals amounted to Rupees 123, against Rupees 37 during the preceding year, viz., 1865-66.

4. The number of subscribers to the District Gazette rose from 178 to 210 as per margin. I will endeavour to render the publication as attractive as possible.

5. Acting under the suggestion contained in the Board's Proceedings, No. 7,097, dated 4th of October last, the marginal Selections were printed during the year at a private Firm at this station. There are other Selections already approved of by the Board in their Proceedings, No. 1,388, dated 27th February 1866. I anticipate printing several of them at this Office Press during the current official year 1867-68.

Mr. Wallace's letter, dated 22nd January 1802, giving the full account of the Revenue Administration of the district prior to its assumption by the British Government.

Selections containing the correspondence furnishing the whole history relative to the Zemindaries of the district.

6. Of the outstanding balance of Rupees 64-10-9 on account of work undertaken for private parties, Rupees 17-5-6 have since been recovered, and the balance, viz., Rupees 47-5-3, has, after careful inquiry, been ascertained to be irrecoverable. It relates to work done chiefly in the years 1860 and 1861, and the individuals against whom it stands are not forthcoming. At this distance of time, I am unable to trace the responsibility to any particular individual. The Collector, the Treasury Deputy, the Head English and Vernacular Accountants of that period, are all dead. Under these circumstances, I beg to request sanction to write off this sum.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

SALEM, 13th June 1867.

No. 152.

From C. N. POCHIN, Esq.,
Collector of SALEM.

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to submit my usual report for the past Official year 1866-67, on the operations of the Press in this district, accompanied by the two Statements, Nos. 1 and 2, in the form prescribed in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd May 1863.

2. The Statement No. 1 exhibits the amount of work done for the Public Departments, as well as that of private work during the year. The enclosure A. to Statement No. 1, shows the comparison between the previous year and the year under report, number of papers printed, and the value of the work done.

3. The work done for the Revenue Department as shown in No. 1, is divided into three distinct heads as per margin.* In the first item there is an increase in the number of papers of 281, and the value exceeds that of the past year by Rupees 408-2-9, which arises from the various Contingent Bill vouchers and other returns, &c., referred to in the Circular Memorandum of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th May 1865, No. 470, being struck off in the Press.

* Office work. District Gazettes. Selections from the Records.

4. In the second item "District Gazette," although there is an increase in the number of copies of 2,530, yet there is a decrease in the value of Rupees 408-2-9, which is attributed to the amount of matter in the several issues being rather less than usual. It will be seen from the abstract appended to Statement No. 2, that the circulation of the District Gazette was larger than it was in the previous year. This in a great measur is owing to the distribution of the District Gazette free of postage, as ordered in the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. CLXIX, dated 18th December 1865. As an inducement for parties to subscribe, several Miscellaneous and Standing Orders of the Board and Government, as well as Notices and Orders relative to the Public Department, and other documents of an important nature, are published in the Gazette; and the Police sheets and Acts of the Government of India and those of the Presidency are distributed with them.

5. With regard to the selections from the Records, Colonel Read's report on the original settlement and statistics of the district, which has been epitomized and annotated by Mr. Puckle, Deputy Director of Revenue Settlement, has been completed and distributed. Mr. Hughesdon, late Assistant Collector, made a selection and prepared a list of the Records to be published, which was submitted to the Board of Revenue with Mr. Arbuthnott's letter, dated 15th April 1867, No. 95, for approval and sanction. On receipt of the same, one of the subjects will immediately be put in hand.

6. The amount of the work done for the Judicial Department is Rupees 717-7-11, showing a decrease of Rupees 37-13-3. The variation under this item is slight, and calls for no remark.

7. The estimated value of the work for other Departments amounted to Rupees 962-1-11, causing a decrease of Rupees 126-3-1, which is partly attributable to there being only eleven months in the year under report.

8. There has been an increase of Rupees 34-13-9 in the item Private work, as compared with the past year.

9. The total quantity of work executed for the Revenue and other Departments amounted to Rupees 9,350-2-3, being an increase of Rupees 123-9-0 over that of the past year; which on the whole is satisfactory, considering that transactions were for only eleven months against twelve of the year 1865-66.

10. The collections and charges during the year under report are exhibited in the Statement No. 2. The demand for the year including the balance of the previous year was Rupees 744-9-4, of which Rupees 298-13-6, the amount of subscription for the District Gazette, and Rupees 111-3-6, the

value of work done to private individuals, making in all Rupees 410-1-0, was realized, leaving a balance due of Rupees 334-8-4. The cause of so large a balance remaining uncollected at the close of the year is owing to the non-receipt of the Gazette subscriptions which are generally paid in April, which month was hitherto the last month of the Official year. If the sum of Rupees 118-8-7 which was collected during the past two months be deducted out of the balance Rupees 334-8-4, there remains a balance of only Rupees 215-15-9 still to be collected. Prompt measures have been taken for the speedy collection of the same. A large balance is not likely to accumulate in future. The subscribers are now required to pay their subscriptions quarterly in advance, as directed in the Board's Proceedings, dated 21st May 1867, No. 3,125.

11. Under the head Charges, the salary disbursed to the fixed establishment has been for the eleven months in the year; consequently there is a decrease of Rupees 190-7-3 in that item. The small increase in the item Saderwarid needs no remark. The total charges incurred during the year amounts to Rupees 3,021-10-4, which shows a net increase of Rupees 617-12-0 over the past year. This increase is caused by the purchase of Stock in the year.

12.. If the actual charges, viz., Rupees 3,021-10-4, be deducted from Rupees 9,463-8-6, the total amount of work done in the year under report as shown in Column 23 in Statement No. 1, there remains a balance of Rupees 6,441-14-2 to the Government good.

13. All the forms of Accounts and Returns used in my office are struck off by the Press; the taluks have also been supplied with printed forms of Accounts.

14. The Demy-sized Columbian Press ordered to be supplied to this district, (*vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 7th December 1866 and 18th February 1867, Nos. 8,700 and 989), has not yet been received from the Superintendent, Government Press; the want of it is much felt, as it is impossible to keep pace with the demands with the two small Presses now in use.

15. It is difficult to draw a comparison between the transactions of the year under report with that of the previous year, in consequence of the change in the official year which has reduced the last year 1866-67 to 11 months; nevertheless it will be seen that the total transactions of these 11 months are larger than those of the previous year.

16. I beg again to point out that there is a balance of Rupees 3-9-10 outstanding since 1862-63 for works done for Public Department, which I have requested in my last two annual reports that I might be permitted to write off, as it is irrecoverable.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

KURNOOL, 14th June 1867.

No. 172.

From T. A. N. CHASE, ESQ.,
Collector of KURNOOL,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honour to forward the usual Statements regarding the working of the Press.

2. These Statements comprise only eleven months, from 1st May 1866 to 31st March 1867, on account of the change in the Official year.

3. The Press has worked under great disadvantages, owing to the unusual amount of sickness that prevailed in this town from August 1866. Fever prostrated the Press officials to such an extent, that work was almost suspended for days together. It was most felt in this Department, because substitutes could not be obtained to fill the places of the absentees. New hands had to be taken on and taught the work, which was a great drawback. Added to the above difficulties was the frequent absence of the Head Compositor from Kurnool. The late Head Compositor, Mr. Abroe, left for Madras on sick leave at the beginning of the official year, and after a protracted absence of six months, resigned his post. His successor, Mr. Hurley, sent by the Board, was scarcely a month in Kurnool, when the death of his wife drew him away to Madras to arrange about his children. He returned after an absence of two months, and after working at the Press for a short time disappeared without leave, and having been so absent for more than a month, I dismissed him. I hope to see our newly appointed Head Compositor in a few days. He comes with high testimonials.

4. Since then the Department has been intrusted to Mr. Turner, the Assistant Collector, who has exerted himself very creditably, and at present the Press is doing all that can be expected of it.

5. The outturn of work is not much below that of last year, taking into consideration the accounts embrace a period of only eleven months.

6. On arrival in this district, I found a great deal of private work was being carried on by the Press, which I have felt, owing to the official demand, to do away with almost entirely. Hardly any forms were printed, and the hands of several officials in the taluks were filled with ruling out forms for immediate use.

7. The work done for the Judicial Department is almost double the amount done last year, while there is a small decrease in the work done for other Departments. This decrease is not owing to want of application from those Departments, but to the sickness of the Press servants.

8. To work off the accumulation of arrears, I have, under the Board's Standing Circular, No. 353, employed two extra men on a salary of 10 rupees each. After these arrears are finished, I hope to be able to have some Selections from the records printed.

9. There is a small balance on account of subscriptions to the District Gazette. I have issued orders to the Tahsildars that for any such balances, for the future, they will be held responsible.

10. The balance due for private work has since been collected.

11. The issue of District Gazettes has increased from 381 to 423 copies.

12. No addition made to the stock, owing to the type, &c., applied* for not having yet been received.

* 22nd June 1866.

13. The accommodation is very bad, but will, I trust, be improved when the plan of the Cutcherry, kindly shown me by Captain Hunter, has been passed by Major Moberly, and the building of a new office for the Collector completed.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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No. 452.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 18th February 1868.

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Submitting report on operations of Collectorate Presses for 1866/67, with annual statement showing character & value of work done.

} Revenue enter 28th January 1868. No. 666.

From the foregoing Proceedings of the Bd. of Rev. reviewing the reports of the several Collectors on the operations of the Collectorate Presses during the eleven months of the Official year 1866/67, it appears that there has been a net increase of Rupees 7,656 in the value

value of work turned out during the eleven months as compared with the out turn in 1865/66.

In 1865/66 the number of papers printed was 14,495 and the value of work done was Rs. 148604 = during the eleven months under review 14520 papers were printed and the value of work done amounted to Rs. 156260

2. The circulation of the District Gazettes has risen from 9034 in 1865/66 to 10266 in 1866/67. There has been a considerable increase in circulation in following Districts, the Godavery, Ganjam, the Kistna, Tanjore, Malabar, and Nellore, which is attributed by the Collrs. of the latter two Districts to the Gazette being published in a dialect which is the language of only a part of the population.

3. The Govt. regret to

noticeably in Tinnevelly & Nellore scarcely any progress has been made, notwithstanding that the backwardness of this District was specially noticed by the Board and by Govt. in reviewing the result of last year's operations. In Cuddapah, Bellary and North Arcot there has been a falling off in the number of Subscribers.

to observe that notwithstanding the instructions issued by them and by the Bd of Revenue, no progress has been made, except in Nellore & Great & Salem, in printing selections from valuable records, while the same excuses which have been before held to be invalid are again urged by several Collrs. The Board will call on the Officers mentd by them as not having submitted lists of selected records for the approval of the Board, to furnish explanation of their disregard of the repeated orders of Govt.

4. The Govt. are glad to learn, that the sums due on account of Private work have been realized more promptly than in former years and approve of the Bd's sanction to write off as irrecoverable the several sums noted in paragraph 9 of the Board's Report.

5. Deducting from the total value of work done Rs. 57,510 for charges the result shews a net profit to Govt. of Rs. 104,750, or excluding the work done for the Revenue Department, a clear profit of Rs. 22,866-

6. The Govt. note with displeasure that the Collectors of many Districts are again reported to have disregarded the

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orders of Government
and of the Board directing
them to furnish printed
Copies of forms for
Taking Accounts, and
to keep the Registers of
Papers, in the forms
prescribed by the Bd.
The Govt. trust that
they may not again
be called upon to
enforce attention
to these points.—

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