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16th November 1878, No. 4,385 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

Read the following paper :—

No. 196. From T. D. HARRIS, Esq., District Engineer, Ganjam, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chatterpore, 31st October 1878, No. 71.

In continuation of this office No. 65, dated 17th instant, I have the honor to report that sufficient rain has fallen to secure the crops over the whole district. The last break of the north-east monsoon was on the 29th instant, and the highest rainfall in twenty-four hours gauges from 6 to 9 inches well distributed over the whole district. The total rainfall for the month at this station registered is 11.50 inches, at Berhampore 13.75 inches, and at Chicacole upwards of 17 inches. The rainfall throughout over the Goomsur Taluk was ample and well distributed; the cultivation has been pushed forward to the greatest limit and with the greatest possible success. The prospect of an abundant harvest is now secured to this district, and I learn the same good accounts of the whole Province of Orissa. Both the monsoons, the south-west and north-east, were the mildest I have ever seen; but the rainfall was most opportune and the weather most favorable since the setting in of the first monsoon. The rainfall on the Eastern Ghauts generally was mild throughout, and there was no high floods down any rivers of the district during the year—nothing but ordinary freshets. The barometer has risen and is now steady, and we are drifting into fine weather. There may be a few more passing showers, but there is no likelihood of any storm or floods after this date in this latitude.

The "Sarawa" or general paddy crop under all tanks, channels, and large reservoirs, and down the valleys of all rivers, promise a full crop—in fact a maximum crop—and the high land or rainfed will yield a full average crop. There will be sufficient moisture after the cutting of the "Sarawa" to admit of the planting of the "Pesalu" or green gram, which is most extensively planted over this land as soon as the paddy is cut, and also for all garden cultivation, and the "Dalawa" or second paddy crop will be extensively sown along the coast and over the margins of all large reservoirs, swamps, and low-lying valleys of all rivers.

I need say no more to assure you of the general prosperity of the Ganjam District. The prices of food grain are daily falling, but will not be at their lowest till after the 12th January next.

No. 197. ORDER THEREON, 16th November 1878, No. 4,385 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Revenue (Famine) Department.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, First Circle.
" Revenue Department.
" Revenue (Famine) Department.

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To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
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Dated November 16th.

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Season in the Ganjam District.—Report
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No 71

Ganjam District Engineer's office
Chatterpore 31st October 1878.

From The District Engineer
Ganjam

To The Chief Engineer
S.D.W.
Madras

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From

The District Engineer
Gangam

To

The Chief Engineer
D. W.
Madras

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Dept. G. T. 12/11

J. E. 1st Lieut
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By P. R. Clerk
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