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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

MR. CLOGSTOUN.

READ—the following Fortnightly Report of the Badvel taluk, for the period ending 15th August 1892, from the Deputy Collector of Sidhout, dated 16th August 1892, Disposal No. 1571 :—

STATE OF COUNTRY—Crops.—Standing crops, viz., cumbu, korra, cholam, lamp-oil seeds, turmeric, indigo, paddy, cotton and pulses are in good condition. Korra and cumbu are said to be suffering from a kind of disease in a few villages. This will very likely disappear now, as there have been good rains since of late. Korra and indigo and cholam under wells are being harvested in some places. The outturn of the first two is estimated at 12 annas and of the other at 8 annas.

Fodder—Pasture ample.—Except in a few villages, dry fodder is not procurable.

Water-supply—Ample.—There is a 5-month supply in each of the largest tanks in the taluk, viz. Badvel and Porumamilla. The Racheruvu tank of Rajupalem, which is the next in importance, is discharging. All the other tanks in the taluk have received supplies varying from 15 days to 3 months. There was a rainfall of 3.62 inches in Badvel and between 2 and 3 inches in villages.

Agricultural operations.—Ploughing lands for sowing ragi, paddy, bariga, horsegram and cotton in some places, and sowing them and weeding paddy in some other places. The korra and cholam harvest has commenced.

Cattle.—Improving.

General remarks on the above subjects.—The prospects have vastly improved. The crops which were on the point of fading have revived after the recent rains. There was rain almost every day in the second week of this month in almost all the villages. The korra crop, which stands on a large extent of land (both dry and wet), is already fit for reaping or nearly so. It does not stand in need of any more rains. Next to this comes cumbu in point of area. It will be fit for harvest in about a month or five weeks. One or two more falls of rain are required for it. But even if there should be none, the crop would not be totally lost. There are, however, good indications of further rain. Under tanks there is no fear of loss of the standing crops. The annexed statement shows what a large extent of wet land is under dry crops in 11 of the villages which are commanded by the largest tanks in the taluk. All these crops come to maturity whether there be more rain or not.

STATEMENT showing extent of crops under the largest tanks in the taluk.

Villages.	Wet Land.						Total Cultivation.
	Total occupied.	Korra.	Cumbu.	Paddy.	Cholum.	Ragi.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Badvel							952
Anantapuram	1,301	574	60	20			750
Gantapalli	909	370	50	5			857
Madakalavipalli	1,375	241	402	20		7	458
Chinnampalli	1,545	208	80	10			480
Sankavaram	1,501	154	214	45		7	1,233
Dammampalli	2,054	233	65	10	80	15	769
Porumamilla	1,174	375	174	271		1	791
Rangamandram	1,326	119	79	361			497
Kalahandi	2,730	167	47	40		16	620
Rajapalem	836	80	5			21	219
	874	87	2	6	190		
Total	16,302	2,680	1,289	821	308	95	7,646

After these dry crops are cut, the area now covered by them, as well as the remaining occupied wet ayacut will be cultivated with paddy, as there are good supplies in all these tanks and there is every likelihood of getting more. Never was the season so favorable during the last five years as in this year, so far as the early rains were concerned. The extent of cultivation is far in excess of that in the preceding four years for the corresponding period and is nearly ten times that in the last year as may be seen from the following statement:—

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of cultivation for the last five years.

Up to July 1888	Do.	Do.
1889	5,772	2,200
1890	7,908	2,250
1891	11,174	2,490
1892	1,945	955
1893	19,001	10,334

CONDITION OF THE PEOPLE.—The Works.—Good.

In villages except in villages where cholera is prevalent.

Mortality.—There is no cholera except in villages where cholera is prevalent.

There is no cholera except in villages where cholera is prevalent. There is also fever in Badvel and some other villages to a small extent.

Remarks.—Cholera is prevalent throughout the taluk. It is abating in some villages but very severe in some others. There have been neither attacks nor deaths among the coolies on the Sagiler works during this fortnight. I visited the villages in the vicinity of the works. They too are now free from the disease. One female coolie on the works was attacked on the morning of the 26th ultimo, i.e., two days after I left the place during the last fortnight. She was forthwith sent to the cholera shed. She died there in the evening. When I inspected the shed on the 12th instant I was informed that the patient was not properly taken care of, and that owing to want of timely treatment the case proved fatal. I spoke to the Special Executive Engineer in charge of the works on the subject and was told that the information I had received was but too true, and that he had already reported the Hospital Assistant concerned to the District Executive Engineer for neglect of duty. I learnt from Mr. Chatterjee that the woman was sent from the works to the cholera shed at about 9 A.M. by the Supervisor, Mr. Trutwien, with a note to the Hospital Assistant. The latter did not go to the shed till 5 P.M. The Supervisor's servant, who took the note, says he gave it to the Hospital Assistant at 11 A.M. I believed him as it could not have taken more than a couple of hours to take the patient from the works to the cholera

shed. The Hospital Assistant, however, says he got the note at 2 P.M. According to his own admission he delayed three hours in rendering medical help to a cholera-stricken patient. The deceased's husband complained that the medical subordinate did not at all visit her. Her death was, in my opinion, accelerated by, if it did not actually result from, want of timely treatment.

RELIEF MEASURES.—Relief Works.—The Supervisor in charge of the Sagiler works has not yet reported the latest figures. There were 1,300 and odd coolies on the 11th and about 900 on the 13th when I inspected the works.

Poor houses in what places open and the number in each.—The relief kitchen at Jangamrajupalle was closed on the 9th.

Village relief.—Number of villages in each taluk for which reports have been received.—The destitute Muhammadan Goshia women in Badvel town continue to receive doles out of Maharajah Holkar's donation. Rupees 160-14-0 have been paid up to the 13th. There is a balance of Rs. 39-2-0 still left.

Number of cases of death for want of food with brief note of circumstances if possible.—None.

Remarks.—The number of coolies on the Sagiler works is gradually falling off. They mostly belong to the villages in the neighbourhood of the line. They are all in good condition. They told me that they were being paid twice a week. The gangs are not over-crowded. They are scattered at different places. The condition of the taluk has so far improved that the work may now be closed as a famine-relief work and carried on departmentally by the Public Works Department. The harvest of korra has commenced. It will continue for a month or so. By that time the cumbu crop will come under the sickle and paddy cultivation (weeding, transplanting, &c.) will be going on briskly.

The area under the korra and cumbu crop is up to this time nearly 3rds of the total extent of cultivation. I have seen a large number of people already engaged in cutting korra and cholum and weeding paddy. All this affords ample labour to the working classes. On the 12th instant it was raining till 9 A.M. The special Executive Engineer was absent from 10 A.M. up to 6 P.M. at Porumamilla looking after the tank work there. After the rain ceased a large number of coolies went to the Sagiler works. They were not taken on nor was their attendance marked in all cases and they had to return home, as the supervisor, who is in immediate charge of the work, did not go over the line and no one else attended to the coolies. They complained before me that they lost wages for that day for no fault of their own. On the following day, the 13th, some of the head coolies said that they marked the attendance on the 12th and showed their nominal rolls; but I doubt their correctness. The matter having attracted the special Executive Engineer's notice, he began to make enquiries after his return from Porumamilla on the evening of the 12th. It seems likely that the head coolies made entries for the 12th that night or early in the following morning. The subject is engaging the Executive Engineer's attention.

GRAIN-SUPPLY.—Private trade active or not, whether in rice or other staple food-grains.—Active in rice, ragi and cholum.

State the imports by rail or sea of rice or other staple food-grains.—None by sea, very little by rail. Much rice and ragi came from Addapah, Proddatur and Cumbum.

Known or estimated stock in taluk.—There is not much stock with merchants. What the rich ryots have is not exposed for sale.

Prices.—All falling, as may be seen from the following statement:—

Rice.	Cholum.	Ragi.	Cumbu.	Rising at	Falling at	Stationary at
8-45	16-14	20-14	14-2		Badvel.	

Loans granted under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts.—A separate statement in the form prescribed in Board's Proceedings, dated 4th April 1892, No. 3624, is enclosed.

ENCLOSURE.

Taluk.	Purpose of loan.	Accepted up to fortnight.		Loans disbursed up to the fortnight.		Applications pending at the end of the period.		Wells.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Completed.	Under construction.
Badvel.	Land Improvement Act.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		
	Construction and repair of wells	262	52,193	262	42,774	99	18,995	7	256
	Others	87	5,046	87	7,639				
	Total	349	57,239	349	50,413	99	18,995	7	256
	Agriculturists' Loans Act.								
	Purchase of cattle	6	820	6	820	31	2,281		

Endorsement by the Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated Cuddapah, 22nd August 1892, Reference on G. No. 1616-Kng.

Submitted to the Board for information.

2. The Secretary to the Surgeon-General with the Government has been addressed to take notice of the conduct of the Hospital Assistant on famine duty at the Sagiler.

Resolution—dated 24th August 1892, No. 592.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. During the first fortnight of the current month the rainfall in Badvel was ample, and there have since been further heavy falls. When the Divisional officer wrote, the season was described as having so far never been so favorable during the last five years. The extent of land sown up to date was far in excess of any extent recorded during the four preceding years.

Average expected	August 1892		
	1st-15th	16th-30th	Total
1892	3.43	2	5.43

both on dry and wet land. On the wet land, the sowings have been made chiefly with dry crops which will soon be harvested and will then be followed by a crop of paddy. The larger tanks have already received good supplies of water. On the dry land a great extent of korra (*Panicum polystachion*) has been sown which will very shortly be fit for harvest, and the cumbu crop, which stands next in area occupied, will come to harvest in about a month. Both crops are at present very promising, but will require fine weather for harvest. The harvest of these crops and preparation for the later sown and the wet crops will cause a large demand for agricultural labour, and the Commissioner considers that the Sagiler works, which are the only works now open as relief works, may be closed as such forthwith, and, if the season continues as favorable as at present, the taluk may be removed from the affected area at the end of the current month.

3. The price of rice became slightly, and that of cholam materially cheaper during the fortnight, and the fall in the latter case has since been continued.

Period.		Seers of 80 tolas per rupee.			
		Rice.	Cholum.	Cumbu.	Ragi.
1892	July, average ..	8.1	13.6	12.1	17.3
	" 30th ..	8.3	14.7	14.0	19.8
	August, 13th ..	8.6	15.3	14.2	20.0
	" 20th ..	8.5	15.1	14.4	19.8
	August, normal ..	14.7	25.8	22.8	28.2
	" 1891 ..	9.7	20.7	18.3	23.6

4. The number of persons employed on the Sagiler works decreased by 600 during the fortnight, but there has since been no further material decrease. The smaller number noted for August 13th—900—appears to have been due to an interruption of the works owing to heavy rain.

The relief kitchen, at which 10 persons were fed on the 29th July, was closed on the 9th current.

5. The subjoined table shows the loan operations of the period:—

Loans.	Granted.		Disbursed.		Applications pending at the end of the period	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
<i>Land Improvements.</i>		RS.		RS.		RS.
Well-sinking	16	3,835	16	3,405	99	18,995
Others	10	1,120	10	1,120		
<i>Agriculturists' for</i>						
The purchase of cattle					31	2,281

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Collector of Cuddapah.

Exd. A. Aubert.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1892.

Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records
and Agriculture),

MADRAS.

Printed September 2nd.

Proceedings, 24th August 1892, No. 592.

Submitting, with remarks, for the information of
Government, fortnightly narrative of the Badvel
taluk for the period ending 15th August 1892.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read Proceedings of the Board

*(attached) of Revenue Revenue Settlement dated 24th
August 1892 No. 592.*

Order thereon: 9th September 1892 No. 949

Recorded.

*2. The Government agrees with the Board
of Revenue in considering that the Sagiler
works are no longer required for relief
purposes. The question of continuing them
as ordinary S.P.W. works will be considered
in the Public Works Department.*

*3. It is observed that the number of wells
completed namely 7 is very small compared
with the number of loans granted (262) for
the construction and repair of wells. His
Excellency the Governor in Council
desires to have full information
regarding the 255 wells which are at
to be under construction.*

True Extract

R. N. S. S. S.

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To

The Commr. R. & R.

Public Works Dept.

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