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Season Report for Week ending 7th May 1881.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS :—

No. 275. Telegram from Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 22·88, ragi 39·10, cholum 36·53, cumbu 41·50. No reports Ichápur, Udayagiri, Balliguda; no rain elsewhere. Second paddy, ragi flourishing.

No. 276. Report from Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Third-sort rice 21·1, cholum 34·9, ragi 39·8, cumbu 45·0. Health—cholera in three taluks, nineteen deaths during the week; small-pox in seven, measles in one and fever in three taluks. Crops—gingelly, sugar-cane, indigo, cotton and chillies thriving; green-gram, gingelly, chillies and ragi harvested, outturn above half; in Viravilli and Gajapatnagar taluks, Dalwa paddy harvested, outturn above half. Agricultural operations—sugar-cane, korra and gingelly sown. Water-supply diminishing. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 277. Report from Collector of Godávári, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 20·04, cholum 38·0, ragi 42·6, cumbu 36·0. Health—small-pox and measles slightly prevalent. Crops—castor-seeds, cotton and gingelly being harvested. Agricultural operations—seed-beds being prepared and paddy sown; fields being ploughed. Water-supply generally good; Godávári water 5·1 feet above locksill; all canals except Sámalkót canal are closed for repairs. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 278. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 17·28, cholum 31·69, ragi 39·27, cumbu 32·37. Fever, small-pox and measles still exist very slightly. No rain.

No. 279. Report from Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 16·30, cholum 29·35, ragi 34·21, cumbu 28·50. Health—small-pox in Ongole, Kanigiri and Kandukúr taluks and in Pólúr and Podili divisions; ague, fever and measles in a few places; public health generally good. Crops—In some taluks black paddy, cholum, oil-seeds and cotton have been harvested; the standing crops are flourishing. Agricultural operations—indigo, cholum and cumbu have been sown in some places. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 280. Report from Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 9th May 1881.

Rice 14·35, cholum 33·66, ragi 38·5, cumbu 34·05. Health—fever is prevalent throughout the district except in the taluks of Madanapalle and Pulivendla; small-pox is prevalent in Cuddapah, Pullampet and Váyalpád taluks. Crops—paddy is not

thriving well; paddy, cholum, korra, wheat and sugar-cane are being harvested; outturn paddy being $\frac{1}{2}$, cholum $\frac{1}{2}$, korra $\frac{1}{2}$, wheat $\frac{1}{2}$, and sugar-cane $\frac{1}{2}$. Agricultural operations—indigo is being sown and second crop of paddy is being transplanted. Water-supply—No supply of water has been received in tanks in this week; there is water in channels. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 281. Telegram from Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 12.73, cholum 37.86, ragi 39.15, cumbu 34.62. Rainfall—Pattikonda .50, Nandyál .04. Second-crop paddy being harvested Rámallakót, Cumbum, Nandyál, outturn average in first two, above average third taluk. Prices—cholum, cumbu rising Rámallakót, Koilkuntla, falling Pattikonda; ragi, cumbu falling Cumbum. Sickness abating; cattle-disease five taluks. Fodder, water procurable.

No. 282. Telegram from Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 14.8, cholum 40.9, ragi 47.2, cumbu 30.5. Health, fever in seven taluks. Rainfall, Hospet .35. Sowing sugar-cane; standing crops generally good; harvesting cholum, paddy, cumbu, dholl, oil-seeds, horse-gram, sugar-cane, cotton-picking five taluks, yield average.

No. 283. Report from Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 18.3, cholum 25.9, ragi 31.4, cumbu 25.7. Health—public health is generally good, but fever slightly prevails in parts of the Chandragiri taluk and Tirupati and Punganúr divisions, and small-pox in parts of the Gudiyátam taluk and Maderpauk division. Crops—paddy, ragi, cholum, sugar-cane, lamp-oil-seed and ground-nut were harvested during the week, and the outturn was an average one; the condition of the crops is generally good. Agricultural operations are vigorously progressing. Water-supply—The small tanks are fast drying up owing to excessive heat; the largest ones have a sufficient supply of water. Rainfall, Chittoor .10.

No. 284. Telegram from Collector of Chingleput, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 16.03, ragi 24.82, cumbu 23.10. Health—fever parts Conjeeveram; small-pox except Madurántakam, Saidápet; cattle-disease exists except Conjeeveram, Madurántakam, but is abating. Crops good in parts Madurántakam, Conjeeveram, Chingleput, withering elsewhere; ragi, paddy harvested; pasturage insufficient. Agricultural operations—paddy cultivation Madurántakam; ploughing, sowing, transplanting paddy, ragi some places. Water-supply diminishing. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 285. Report from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice (second sort) 12.08, cholum 20.16, ragi 26.03, cumbu 21.12. Health—small-pox and fever prevalent; cattle suffering from foot disease at Tondiarpett. Imports—tons, rice 292; other grains 138. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 286. Report from Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 18.36, cholum 31.47, ragi 30.46, cumbu 29.94. Health generally good, but fever and small-pox were prevalent in parts of Vriddháchalam and Cuddalore

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taluks. Crops—paddy and gingelly were being harvested and sugar-cane was being cut, the outturn varying from 6 to 12 annas; the standing crops, viz., paddy, ragi, cholum, indigo and gingelly under wells and under anicut channels were generally in good condition. Agricultural operations—kar-paddy is being sown and transplanted in some places under wells; manuring operations were in progress. Water-supply—Almost all the tanks have dried. Rainfall—No rain; returns from Tirukoilúr, Titagudi, Bhuvanígiri, Merkanam, and Tiruvádi not received.

No. 287. Report from Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 18.24, cholum 30.07, cumbu 30.20, ragi 35.57. Health, fever in three taluks. Crops—crops under wells in good condition except in one taluk; cholum, paddy and ragi harvested, and the yield below the average. Agricultural operations—cholum and paddy being sown, ragi and sugar-cane being transplanted. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Salem .18, Námakal .75, Atúr .3, Omalúr .3, Shevaroy Hills .5, Rasipur .3, Sankaridrug .6.

No. 288. Report from Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 9th May 1881.

Rice 16.85, cholum *nil*, ragi 34.18, cumbu 31.68. Health generally good; small-pox in Udayárpálaiyam, forty-seven attacks and two deaths; in Kulitalai one attack; slight fever in town and in Kilpaluvúr. Crops generally good. Agricultural operations—cholum and cumbu in parts of Musiri and valan-paddy in Kulitalai were sown; paddy was harvested in parts of Trichinopoly, Musiri, Kulitalai and Perambalúr with an outturn of 6 to 12 annas. Water-supply generally sufficient except in Manaparai and Turaiyúr where supply is scanty. Rainfall—

		Inches.	Cents.	
Trichinopoly Cantonment	on 4th	0	22	
Trichinopoly Town	on 4th	0	27	
Illuppúr	on 4th	0	65	
	on 6th	0	40	
Lálgudi	on 5th	0	22	
Musiri	on 4th	1	70	
	on 5th	0	05	
Turaiyúr	on 3rd	2	0	
	on 4th	0	30	
Kulitalai	on 4th	0	87	
Manaparai	on 4th	1	20	
Kolathur		1	0	} Pudukótai Territory. Dates not given.
Town		0	44	

No. 289. Telegram from Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 15.74, cholum 30.0, ragi 31.58, cumbu 32.72. Rainfall—Tanjore .10, other stations *nil*. Rivers, very little water running. Crops good. Harvest—cholum, gingelly, chillies, tobacco, outturn average.

No. 290. Telegram from Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 16.27, cholum 31.59, ragi 38.42, cumbu 37.74. Fever slight parts three taluks. Crops generally fair. Harvest in five taluks, paddy in three taluks, ragi one, others four taluks, outturn about average. Rain—Coimbatore 1.5,

Mettupálaiyam 1·0, Polláchi ·3, Palladam ·4, Avanáshi 1·05, Udamalpet 2·0, Erode ·25, Dhárápúram ·09, Karúr ·7, Aravakurchi 2·2, Bhaváni ·3, Satyamangalam ·94, Tálavádi ·49, Kollegál 2·0, others *nil*.

No. 291. Telegram from Collector of Madura, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 16·59, cholum 34·29, ragi 34·32, cumbu 31·97. Rainfall—Madura ·47, Tirumangalum ·75, Dindigul ·71, Periyakulam ·7, Páini ·90, Sivaganga 1·2, Raunad 1·40, Attengarai ·3, Muturagunáthapatnam ·91, Vairavanáthapatnam ·37. Crops fading. Water-supply deficient.

No. 292. Report from Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice (second sort) 17·68, cholum *nil*, cumbu 33·60, ragi 38·72. Health generally good, but dysentery is prevalent in parts of Otapidáram and Tinnevely; fever and small-pox prevail in parts of Tinnevely, and guinea-worm prevails in parts of Otapidáram; cattle-disease exists in parts of Tenkási, Otapidáram, Sankaranainárkoil and Tinnevely. Crops—condition generally good though in some places the crops have slightly failed in consequence of the extreme heat of the sun; paddy is being harvested in parts of Tenkarai, Sátúr, Sríviliputur, Ambásamudram, Nágunéri, Otapidáram, Sankaranainárkoil and Tinnevely, and the outturn is up to the average in the first three taluks and below the average in the rest; dry crops such as gingelly, cotton, chilly and castor-oil seed are being harvested in parts of Otapidáram and Tinnevely, and the outturn is below the average. Agricultural operations—preparations are being made for kar cultivation in parts where peshanam crops have been harvested. Water-supply sufficient for drinking purposes; though there has been some rain here and there, the water-supply cannot be said to be altogether sufficient for cultivation operations. Rainfall—·45 Sríviliputur, ·40 Tinnevely, ·20 Sankaranainárkoil, ·95 Huzur, *nil* in other taluks.

No. 293. Report from Commissioner of Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Second-sort rice 12·71, cholum 25·53, ragi 27·17, cumbu 20·39. Health generally good, but fever prevails in Wynaad. Standing crops are in good condition. Agricultural operations—ploughing and sowing in progress. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Ootacamund 2·24 inches, Gúdalúr 1·60, Kódanád 1·47.

No. 294. Telegram from Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 15·3, ragi 26·5. First-crop sowing commenced. Small-pox slight eight taluks; cattle-disease slight Wynaad. Pasture scanty. Rainfall—Cannanore 1·45, Tellicherry ·02, Badagara ·7, Calicut ·60, Chevayur ·44, Manantoddy ·40, Ernád 1·90, Tirurangadi ·81, Nilambúr ·57, Walawanád ·22, Pálghat 1·00, Cochin ·67, other stations *nil*.

No. 295. Report from Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Rice 18·82, ragi 25·10. Health generally satisfactory; small-pox has abated in Uppinangadi taluk, but a few cases are still reported in Udipti taluk; slight fever exists in some localities in the interior. Crops—harvesting of the third rice-crop in three taluks, the yield is reported to be average. Agricultural operations—preparations being made for the cultivation of the first rice-crop. Water-supply moderate. Rainfall—Uppinangadi ·7, other taluks *nil*.

No. 296. Telegram from Dewan of Travancore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 10th May 1881.

Season telegram, Trivandrum.—Preparations are being made for paddy cultivation. Madras second-sort rice 13·12 and paddy 25 seers per rupee. No cholera, but small-pox, ophthalmia, fevers and bowel affection prevail to some extent. No rain. The last harvest in North Travancore was average.

No. 297. ORDER THEREON, 18th May 1881, No. 789.

Miscellaneous.

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