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Season Report for Week ending 21st May 1881.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS :—

- No. 11. Telegram from Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 23rd May 1881.

Rice 22·58, ragi 38·77, cholum 36·53, cumbu 40·80. Rain—Aska ·6, Russell-kondah ·62, Suradā 1·26, Narsannapet ·6, Parlākimedi ·25, Calingapatam ·39, Udayagiri ·15; no reports Gopālpur, Balliguda; no rain elsewhere. Second paddy, ragi flourishing.

- No. 12. Report from Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Third-sort rice 20·4, cholum 34·5, ragi 39·3, cumbu 43·0. Health—cholera in two taluks, fourteen deaths during the week; small-pox in five and fever in three taluks. Crops—sugar-cane, red potatoes, indigo, gingelly, cotton and korra thriving. Agricultural operations—gingelly and sugar-cane sown. Water-supply diminishing. Rainfall—Narsapatam 1·0, Viravilli ·1, Kuppili 1·1, Pālkonda ·8, Pārvatipur ·7, Kotapad 1·0, Koraput ·8, Naurangapur 2·0.

- No. 13. Report from Collector of Godāvāri, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 25th May 1881.

Rice 18·62, cholum 39·0, ragi 42·6, cumbu 36·0. Health, small-pox and measles slightly prevalent. Crops—castor-seeds, cotton and gingelly being harvested, outturn of gingelly $\frac{1}{4}$. Agricultural operations—seed-beds being prepared and paddy sown; gingelly being sown in some places. Water-supply generally good; Godāvāri water 5·2 feet above lock-sill; all canals are opened for irrigation and navigation purposes, except those of the Central Delta. Rainfall, Peddāpuram ·6 inch.

- No. 14. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 16·84, cholum 30·76, ragi 38·49, cumbu 32·07. Fever, small-pox and measles slight. Rainfall, inches 1·40 Narsaraopet.

- No. 15. Report from Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 16·80, cholum 29·31, ragi 33·23, cumbu 28·00. Health—small-pox in Pólūr and Podili divisions; ague, fever and measles in a few places; public health generally good. Crops—In some taluks black-paddy, cholum and oil-seeds have been harvested; the standing crops are flourishing. Agricultural operations—indigo, cholum and cumbu sown in some places. Water-supply sufficient; the Pennér has received a small quantity of water. Rainfall—Nellore 0·45, Venkatagiri 0·10, Podili 0·50, Udayagiri 0·20, Addanki 0·35.

- No. 16. Report from Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 23rd May 1881.

Rice 14.23, cholam 34.05, ragi 39.22, cumbu 35.05. Health—fever is prevalent throughout the district except in the taluk of Madanapalle; small-pox is prevalent in Cuddapah, Jammalamadugu and Váyalpád taluks. Crops—paddy, cholam, wheat and sugar-cane are being harvested, outturn is paddy being $\frac{3}{4}$, cholam $\frac{1}{2}$, wheat $\frac{1}{2}$, and sugar-cane $\frac{3}{4}$; standing crops are doing well. Agricultural operations—ragi and korra are being sown. Water-supply—A few tanks in the district have received supply of water; there is water in channels. Rainfall—Cuddapah 1.90, Kadiri 1.15, Jammalamadugu 1.25, Pulivendla 1.92, Badvel 1.35, Sidhout 1.85, Proddutur 1.35, Ráyachóti 4.05, Kamalápuram .9, Pilér .55, Váyalpád 2.35.

- No. 17. Telegram from Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 12.74, cholam 36.09, ragi 39.70, cumbu 35.45. Rainfall—Pattikonda .30, Koilkuntla .20, Sirvel .27, Nandyál .10, Cumbum 2.82, Márkápur .55. Paddy harvest continues Cumbum, injured by excessive rain, outturn average. Prices—rice rising Nandikótkur, others stationary. Sickness abating; cattle-disease four taluks. Fodder, water procurable.

- No. 18. Telegram from Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 15.39, cholam 40.43, ragi 47.29, cumbu 30.83. Health, fever in five taluks. Rainfall—Anantapur 2.20, Dharmavaram .07, Ráyadrug .20, Harpanahalli 1.75, Tadpatri .82, Kúdligi 1.42. Sowing sugar-cane and oil-seeds; standing crops generally good. Harvesting paddy, cholam, yield average.

- No. 19. Report from Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 17.8, cholam 26.8, ragi 32.5, cumbu 25.7. Health—public health is generally good, but fever slightly prevails in parts of the Chittoor and Chandragiri taluks and Tirupati, Punganúr and Venkatagirikóta divisions, and small-pox in the Gudiyátam taluk and Maderpauk division. Crops—paddy, ragi, cholam, sugar-cane, lamp-oil-seed and ground-nut were harvested during the week, and the outturn was an average one; the condition of the standing crops is generally good. Agricultural operations are vigorously progressing. Water-supply—The smaller tanks are fast drying up owing to excessive heat; the larger ones have a sufficient supply of water for the present. Rainfall—Arcot .75, Arkónam .60, Kálahasti 1.20, Chandragiri 1.10, Chittoor .16, Kangundi .75, Maderpauk .60, Palmanér .20, Patúr .20, Tirutani .10, Vellore .18, Wálajápet .50.

- No. 20. Telegram from Collector of Chingleput, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 16.28, ragi 25.27, cumbu 23.10. Health—fever Conjeeveram, abating Saidápet; small-pox Chingleput, Tiruvallúr, abating Ponnéri; cattle-disease general except Madurántakam. Crops withering generally; ragi, paddy harvested; pasture failing. Agricultural operations—wet cultivation Madurántakam, Conjeeveram; dry Saidápet; ploughing Saidápet, Tiruvallúr, Chingleput. Water-supply diminishing. Rainfall, Conjeeveram .25.

- No. 21. Report from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 23rd May 1881.

Rice (second sort) 12.08, cholam 20.16, ragi 26.03, cumbu 21.12. Health—small-pox and fever prevalent; cattle suffering from foot disease at Tondiarpett. Imports—tons, rice 1,502; other grains 372. Rainfall *nil*.

- No. 22. Report from Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 18.87, cholam 31.92, ragi 30.63, cumbu 29.26. Health generally good, but fever and small-pox were prevalent in parts of Vriddháchalam and Cuddalore taluks. Crops—paddy was harvested in parts of the district, the outturn varying from 6 to 12 annas; standing crops, viz., paddy, ragi, cholam, 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—Tiruvannámalai 1.15, Tirukoilúr 0.20, Villupuram 0.15, Kallakuruchi 2.00, Vanur 0.10, other stations *nil*.

N.B.—Returns from Chengam, Ulundurpet, Bhuvanigiri and Tiruvádi not received.

- No. 23. Report from Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 18.20, cholam 29.84, cumbu 30.34, ragi 34.69. Health fever in three taluks. Crops—crops under wells in good condition; cholam, paddy and ragi harvested, and the yield about the average. Agricultural operations—cholam, paddy and cumbu being sown, ragi and sugar-cane being transplanted. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Salem .67, Námakal .60, Tiruchengód 3.05, Hosúr 1.05, Dharmapuri 3.33, Tirupatúr 1.10, Krishnagiri .35, Uttankarai 1.60, Sankaridrug 3.40, Paramati .90, Denkanikóta 2.00, Pennagaram .50, Vániyambádi 1.45, Harúr 1.00, Shevaroy Hills 2.15.

- No. 24. Report from Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice (second sort) 17.29, cholam *nil*, cumbu 30.83, ragi 33.59. Health generally good, slight fever in Trichinopoly town, and slight small-pox in Udayárpálaiyam. Crops generally good except in Illuppur part of Trichinopoly taluk. Agricultural operations—some paddy sown in Trichinopoly taluk, and some cholam in parts of Musiri; ploughing operations commenced elsewhere; paddy was harvested in Trichinopoly, Musiri, Kulitalai and Perambalúr taluks with an outturn of 6 to 12 annas. Water-supply generally sufficient except in Manapárai and Illuppur where the supply in tanks is *nil* or scanty; freshes in the Cauvery. Rainfall—Trichinopoly Cantonment 0.53, Trichinopoly Town 0.90, Lálgudi 0.90, Musiri 0.45, Turaiyúr 2.10, Kulitalai 0.85, Manapárai 0.60, Perambalúr 0.85, Udayárpálaiyam *nil*, Kálpaluvúr *nil*, Pudukóta return not received.

- No. 25. Telegram from Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 15.89, cholam 30.83, ragi 31.85, cumbu 32.72. Rainfall—Mannárgudi .50, Tiruturáipundi no report, other stations *nil*. Rivers $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet. Crops generally good. Harvest—paddy parts Patukóta; outturn below average.

No. 26. Telegram from Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 16.62, cholera 31.98, ragi 38.32, cumbu 39.05. Fever slight parts three taluks. Crops good. Harvest—paddy, cholera in one taluk, others in three taluks, outturn average. Rain—Coimbatore .31, Mettupalaiyam 2.2, Pollachi 1.1, Palladam .75, Avanashi 1.65, Udampalpet .6, Erode 2.55, Perundurai 2.97, Dhárápuram 1.15, Kángyam 1.4, Karúr 1.7, Aravakurchi .77, Bhaváni 3.31, Satyamangalam .56, Tálavádi 1.25, Kollegál 2.0.

No. 27. Telegram from Collector of Madura, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 16.54, cholera 31.32, ragi 33.65, cumbu 30.87. Rainfall—Madura .55, Dindigul .94, Periyakulam .15, Palni .32, Sivaganga .8. Crops fading by deficiency of water-supply in some taluks.

No. 28. Report from Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice (second sort) 15.68, cholera nil, cumbu 32.80, ragi 38.72. Health generally good, but dysentery is prevalent in parts of Otapidáram and Tinnevely; diarrhoea prevails in parts of Otapidáram, fever and small-pox prevail in parts of Tinnevely; cattle-disease exists in parts of Nágunéri, Otapidáram, Tinnevely and Sankaranainárkoil. Crops—condition generally good though in some taluks the crops are reported to be withering in consequence of the extreme heat of the sun; paddy is being harvested in parts of Otapidáram, Tinnevely and Sankaranainárkoil and the outturn is said to be below the average; dry crops such as gingelly, chilly, cotton and cholera are being harvested in parts of Tenkási, Otapidáram, Tinnevely and Sankaranainárkoil and the outturn is below the average. Agricultural operations—preparations are being made for kar cultivation. Water-supply sufficient for what is required. Rainfall—.80 Tenkarai, .27 Sankaranainárkoil, 2.05 Huzur, nil in other taluks.

No. 29. Report from Commissioner, Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 30th May 1881.

Rice (second-sort) 11.90, cholera 25.53, ragi 27.17, cumbu 20.39. Health generally good, but fever prevails in Wynnad. Standing crops are in good condition. Agricultural operations—ploughing and sowing in progress. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Ootacamund 1.23 inches, Coonoor 1.14, Gudalúr 1.90, Todanád 1.58.

No. 30. Telegram from Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 13.4, ragi 25.9. First-crop sowing nearly over in some taluks; progressing elsewhere. Small-pox slight five taluks; cattle-disease slight Wynaad. Pasture thriving. Rainfall—Cannanore .42, Tellicherry 4.37, Kurumbanád 2.82, Vayitri .67, Manantoddy .17, Manjeri 1.75, Tirurangádi .31, Nilambúr 1.77, Angádi-puram .90, Pálghat .02, Ponáni .06, Cochin .87, other stations nil.

No. 31. Report from Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Rice 19.22, ragi 24.81. Health generally satisfactory; small-pox abating in Udipi taluk; slight fever still reported in some localities of Uppinangadi, Udipi and

Coondapoor taluks. Harvesting of the third rice-crop in all taluks, outturn is reported to be average. Agricultural operations—formation of nurseries and sowing for the first rice-crop in progress. Water-supply moderate. Rainfall—Mangalore .12, Kásaragóđ .40, Uppinangadi .06, Udipi .10, Coondapoor .60.

No. 32. Telegram from Dewan of Travancore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 24th May 1881.

Season telegram, Trivandrum.—Paddy cultivation begun; Madras second-sort rice 13.12 and paddy 25 seers per rupee. No cholera or small-pox, but bronchitis, fevers and bowel affections prevail to some extent. Week's rainfall 0.377.

No. 33. ORDER THEREON. 1st June 1881, No. 863.

Miscellaneous.

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