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Season Report for the Week ending 12th March 1881.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS :—

No. 325. Telegram from Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 23·29, ragi 39·88, cholam 36·53, cumbu 44·26. Rain—Suradā 1·0; no reports others. Green-gram, lamp-oil seed, second paddy, ragi flourishing.

No. 326. Report from Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Third-sort rice 21·2, cholam 35·5, ragi 40·4, cumbu 46·3. Health, small-pox in five and fever in two taluks. Crops—ragi, gingelly, green-gram, paddy, chilly lamp-oil seeds, chenna, red-gram, tobacco and indigo thriving; in some places sugar-cane harvested, outturn half. Agricultural operations—gingelly and indigo sown; ragi transplanted. Water-supply diminishing in a few places. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 327. Report from Collector of Godāvāri, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 21·0, cholam 43·6, ragi 40·0, cumbu 36·0. Health—fever slightly prevalent; small-pox slight in Peddāpuram taluk. Crops—sugar-cane, cotton, red-gram, bengal-gram, horse-gram and tobacco being harvested; outturn of bengal-gram and tobacco three-eighths. Agricultural operations—fields being ploughed. Water-supply good; Godāvāri water 4·9 feet above locksill. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 328. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 17·96, cholam 30·14, ragi 38·32, cumbu 31·9. Fever continues slightly; small-pox and measles in places. No rain. Standing crops generally good; red-gram suffering from insects in two taluks. Harvest of later dry crops continues; outturn $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{2}{4}$.

No. 329. Report from Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 15·87, cholam 29·0, ragi 33·22, cumbu 29·73. Health—small-pox in Kanigiri and Ongole taluks; ague, fever and measles in a few places; public health generally good. Crops—In some taluks, ragi, cumbu, paddy, variga, tobacco and horse-gram have been harvested during the week; standing crops good. Agricultural operations—cholam, ragi and tobacco have been sown in some places; in Rāpūr, Atmakūr and Nellore taluks, dry crops are slightly damaged by blight. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 330. Report from Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 14th March 1881.

Rice 14·02, cholam 33·99, ragi 37·57, cumbu 32·34. Health—fever is prevalent throughout the district except in the taluks of Madanapalle and Badvel; small-pox is prevalent in Cuddapah and Pullampet taluks. Crops—paddy and cotton

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are not thriving well; paddy, ragi, horse-gram, cotton, bengal-gram, indigo and sugar-cane are being harvested; outturn paddy $\frac{1}{2}$, ragi $\frac{1}{2}$, horse-gram $\frac{1}{2}$, cotton $\frac{1}{2}$, bengal-gram $\frac{1}{2}$, indigo $\frac{1}{2}$ and sugar-cane $\frac{1}{2}$. Agricultural operations—korra, indigo, gingelly-seeds and tobacco are being sown and second crop of paddy is being transplanted; weeding operations are being carried out in paddy and ragi fields; other agricultural operations, such as ploughing, &c., are in progress. Water-supply—No supply of water is received in tanks in this week; there is water in channels. Rainfall—Kadiri 1.

No. 331. Telegram from Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 13.29, cholam 38.66, ragi 37.50, cumbu 34.15. No rain. Crops injured in some parts by insects and disease, elsewhere thriving; cotton being picked Koilkuntla, Sirvel, Márkápur; outturn average. Prices—cholam rising Nandyál and cumbu in Nandikótkur, Márkápur. Sickness abating; cattle-disease six taluks. Fodder, water procurable.

No. 332. Telegram from Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 15.1, cholam 38.4, ragi 42.8, cumbu 30.2. Health, fever in six taluks. Rainfall none. Sowing paddy, sugar-cane and indigo; standing crops generally good; cotton not promising in five. Harvesting cholam, ragi, horse-gram, bengal-gram, dholl, oil-seeds, sugar-cane and cotton; yield average.

No. 333. Report from Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 17.5, cholam 26.0, ragi 30.7, cumbu 26.4. Health—public health is generally good, but fever slightly prevails in parts of the Chittoor and Chandragiri taluks and Punganúr and Venkatagirikóta divisions. Crops—paddy, varagu, sugar-cane, ground-nut, lamp-oil seed and pulses were harvested during the week and the outturn was an average one; the condition of crops is generally good. Agricultural operations are in vigorous progress in all taluks and divisions. Water-supply sufficient for the present. Rainfall nil.

No. 334. Report from Collector of Chingleput, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 17.10, ragi 27.29, cumbu 23.10. Health—fever in parts of Conjeeveram, Chingleput and Saidápet taluks; at Kunnathur fever continues; small-pox in parts of all the taluks except Madurántakam and Conjeeveram; cattle-disease exists in all the taluks except Saidápet. Crops—paddy, &c., good; samba, &c., being harvested; outturn $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$. Pasturage good except in Conjeeveram taluk. Agricultural operations—ragi, &c., cultivation going on; second-crop cultivation going on in Chingleput and Saidápet taluks; ploughing and transplanting going on. Water-supply—No fresh supply; diminishing, but still good. Rainfall nil.

No. 335. Report from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice (second sort) 12.08, cholam 20.16, ragi 26.03, cumbu 21.12. Health—fever and small-pox slightly prevalent; cattle suffering from throat disease at Nungambakam and Tondiarpett, and from foot disease at Perambúr and Tondiarpett. Imports—tons, rice 9; other grains 61. Rainfall nil.

No. 336. Report from Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 18.20, cholam 32.48, ragi 32.97, cumbu 31.76. Health—generally good but fever and small-pox were prevalent in parts of Vriddháchalam and Cuddalore

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taluks. Crops—paddy, ragi, cholam, varagu, cumbu, gingelly, sugar-cane and ground-nut were being harvested, the outturn varying from 6 to 12 annas; the standing crops were generally in good condition. Agricultural operations—kar paddy was being sown and transplanted in some places, as also ragi, indigo and gingelly under wells. Water-supply in tanks diminishing, but there is enough for crops. No rain.

No. 337. Report from Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 16.71, cholam 27.95, cumbu 29.82, ragi 30.76. Health, fever in two taluks and small-pox in one. Crops in good condition; paddy, cholam, cumbu, horse-gram and dholl harvested, and the yield about the average. Agricultural operations—paddy, cholam and gingelly seeds being sown. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall nil.

No. 338. Report from Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 16.91, cholam 22.40, ragi 32.75, cumbu 33.57. Health good; there was some slight small-pox in Perambalur and Udayárpálaiyam. Crops generally good. Agricultural operations—cholam was sown in parts of Musiri and Perambalur taluks; paddy, varagu, cumbu, cholam and ragi were harvested; they yielded an outturn from 6 to 12 annas except in Kilpaluvúr where paddy is reported to have yielded above the average to a full crop. Water-supply generally sufficient in tanks and channels; channels in Lalgudi are said to be dry. Rainfall nil.

No. 339. Telegram from Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 15.42, cholam 31.50, ragi 31.49, cumbu 31.62. Rainfall nil. Rivers $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 foot. Crops generally good. Harvest—paddy, dholl, black-gram, ragi, varagu, horse-gram, ground-nut; outturn below average.

No. 340. Telegram from Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 15.87, cholam 27.75, ragi 36.04, cumbu 37.07. Fever parts five taluks. Crops generally good. Harvest eight taluks; paddy six taluks; cholam four; ragi, cumbu one; others seven taluks, outturn about average. Rain nil.

No. 341. Telegram from Collector of Madura, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 16.17, cholam 25.51, ragi 32.77, cumbu 30.57. Paddy harvested in all taluks except Melúr; yield average. Crops not flourishing; partial loss by deficiency of water in many taluks.

No. 342. Report from Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 14th March 1881.

Rice (second sort) 15.20, cholam nil, cumbu 37.44, ragi 38.88. Health generally good, but fever is prevalent in parts of Ambásamudram and Tenkási; small-pox prevails in parts of Ambásamudram, Tenkási, Tenkarai and Tinnevely; and dysentery in parts of Tinnevely and Tenkási; cattle-disease exists in parts of Tenkási, Nágunéri, Sríviliputur, Sankaranainárkoil and Tinnevely. Crops—condition generally good, but crops are reported to have withered in parts of Sríviliputur and Nágunéri and they require rain urgently in Sríviliputur, Nágunéri, Otapidáram and Sankaranainárkoil; paddy is being harvested in parts of Tenkási, Nágunéri, Otapidáram, Ambásamudram, Tenkarai, Sátúr, Sríviliputur, Sankaranainárkoil and Tinnevely, and the outturn is below the average in the first three taluks and up to the average in the rest; dry crops such as black-gram, horse-gram, cumbu,

cholum, ragi and kadaikanni are being harvested in parts of Sātūr, Tenkāsi, Tenkarai and Otapidāram, and the outturn is up to the average in the first and below the average in the rest. Agricultural operations—ploughing is going on to a very small extent in parts where pishanam crops have been harvested. Water-supply sufficient except in parts of Srīvilliputur, Nāngunéri, Tenkāsi, Sankaranainārkoil and Tinnevely. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 343. Report from Commissioner of Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Second-sort rice 12·15, cholum 24·84, ragi 24·27, cumbu 22·34. Health generally good. Crops *nil*. Agricultural operations—ploughing in progress. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 344. Telegram from Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 15·5, ragi 26·8. First-crop preparations progressing. Small-pox nine taluks; cattle-disease slight Cherikāl, Wynaad, Ernād. Pasture scanty. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 345. Report from Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Rice 17·87, ragi 22·73. Health—slight fever exists in some localities in the interior and a few cases of small-pox are reported in three taluks; public health otherwise satisfactory. Crops—harvesting of second rice-crop completed, the yield is generally reported to be average. Agricultural operations—sowing for the third rice-crop in two taluks, and sowing dry grains in one taluk. Water-supply generally sufficient. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 346. Telegram from Diwan of Travancore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 15th March 1881.

Season telegram, Trivandrum. Ploughing not begun. Madras second-sort rice 12·81, paddy 24·26 seers per rupee. No cholera or small-pox, but fevers and bowel affections prevail. No rain.

No. 347. ORDER THEREON, 24th March 1881, No. 504.

Miscellaneous.

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