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1st April 1881, No. 559.

Season Report for Week ending 19th March 1881.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS:—

No. 6. Telegram from Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 23-34, ragi 39-88, cholam 36-53, cumbu 44-26. No rain. Green-gram, lamp-oil seed, second paddy, ragi, flourishing.

No. 7. Report from Collector of Visagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Third-sort rice 20-4, cholam 33-4, ragi 39-8, cumbu 46-2. Health, small-pox in five and fever in two taluks. Crops—ragi, gingelly, sugar-cane, green-gram, paddy, chillies, cotton, indigo, tobacco and red-potatoes thriving; sugar-cane harvested, outturn half. Agricultural operations—ragi transplanted. Water-supply diminishing in a few places. Rainfall nil.

No. 8. Report from Collector of Godavari, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 20-5, cholam 34-6, ragi 42, cumbu 36-0. Health, fever and small-pox slightly prevalent. Crops—sugar-cane, castor-seeds and cotton being harvested, outturn of cotton $\frac{1}{2}$; standing crops good. Agricultural operations—fields being ploughed; second crop of paddy being transplanted in some places. Water-supply good; Godavari water 4-7 feet above lowfall. Rainfall nil.

No. 9. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 18-06, cholam 30-36, ragi 38-12, cumbu 32-18. Fever continues slightly; small-pox and measles in places. No rain. Standing crops generally good. Harvest of later dry crops continues.

No. 10. Report from Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 15-70, cholam 28-77, ragi 33-07, cumbu 29-73. Health—small-pox in two taluks; ague, fever and measles in a few places; public health generally good. Crops—In some taluks, paddy, horse-gram, oil-seed and ragi have been harvested during the week; standing crops good. Agricultural operations—ragi and tobacco have been sown in some places. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall nil.

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No. 11. Report from Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 21st March 1881.

Rice 14-25, cholam 34-07, ragi 37-35, cumbu 33-91. 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 is not thriving well; paddy, cholam, ragi, korra, wheat, horse-gram, green-gram, indigo and sugar-cane are being harvested; outturn paddy being $\frac{1}{2}$, cholam $\frac{1}{2}$, ragi $\frac{1}{2}$, korra $\frac{1}{2}$, wheat $\frac{1}{2}$, horse-gram $\frac{1}{2}$, green-gram $\frac{1}{2}$, indigo $\frac{1}{2}$, and sugar-cane $\frac{1}{2}$. Agricultural operations—indigo, korra and tobacco are being sown; weeding operations are being carried out in paddy fields. Water-supply—No supply of water has been received in tanks during this week; there is water in channels. Rainfall nil.

No. 12. Telegram from Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 12-99, cholam 38-24, ragi 36-95, cumbu 34-03. No rain. Crops injured in some parts by insects and disease, elsewhere thriving; cotton being picked every where except Pattikonda, outturn average. Prices—rice rising Cumbum, Markapur; ragi in Cumbum; and cholam in Ramallakot, Pattikonda, Cumbum, Markapur; cholam falling Nandikotkur, Nandyal. Sickmess abating; cattle-disease six taluks. Fodder, water procurable.

No. 13. Telegram from Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 15-3, cholam 39-5, ragi 42-8, cumbu 30-3. Health, fever in seven taluks. Rainfall none. Sowing paddy, sugar-cane and indigo; standing crops generally good except cotton and cholam in few taluks. Harvesting cholam, horse-gram, bengal-gram, cumbu, ragi, sugar-cane and oil-seeds; cotton-picking three taluks, yield average.

No. 14. Report from Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 17-60, cholam 25-9, ragi 30-3, cumbu 26-1. Health—public health is generally good; but fever slightly prevails in parts of Chandragiri taluk and Venkatagirikota and Punganur divisions, and small-pox in parts of the Polur taluk. Crops—paddy, 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. 15. Report from Collector of Chingleput, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 16-51, ragi 27-60, cumbu 23-10. Health—fever in parts of Conjeevaram and Saidapet taluks; Kunnathur fever continues; small-pox in parts of all the taluks except Madurantakam and Chingleput; cattle-disease exists in all the taluks except Conjeevaram and Saidapet. Crops—paddy, &c., good; samba, &c., being harvested, outturn is from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$; pasture good except in the Conjeevaram taluk. Agricultural operations—ragi, &c., cultivation going on; second-crop cultivation going on in Saidapet taluk; ploughing, sowing and transplanting going on. Water-supply—No fresh supply; diminishing but still good. Rainfall nil.

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No. 16. Report from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd 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 Perambur and Tondiarpett. Imports—tons, rice 911, other grains 147. Rainfall nil.

No. 17. Report from Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 18-17, cholam 27-21, ragi 31-86, cumbu 31-57. Health generally good. Crops—paddy, ragi, 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 under wells. Water-supply—Many of the tanks are getting dry, but there has been no complaint of deficiency of water supply. No rain.

No. 18. Report from Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 16-49, cholam 28-02, cumbu 29-59, ragi 30-67. Health, fever in two taluks. Crops in good condition; paddy and lamp-oil seeds harvested, and the yield about the average. Agricultural operations—cholam, ragi and gingelly seeds being sown. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall nil.

No. 19. Report from Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 16-76, cholam nil, ragi 32-09, cumbu 32-20. Health generally good; small-pox in Perambalur and Udayarpalayam slightly on the increase. Crops generally good. Agricultural operations—paddy, cholam and cumbu were sown in parts; paddy, cumbu, cholam, varagu and ragi were harvested, paddy generally throughout the district and the other crops in parts; paddy and cumbu yielded from 6 to 12 annas, and in Kilpaluvur division to a full crop; the other crops yielded from 6 to 12 annas. Water-supply generally sufficient; the supply in tanks and wells in places is diminishing, and in channels of Trichinopoly town and Lalgudi scanty or nil. Rainfall nil.

No. 20. Telegram from Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 15-57, cholam 31-50, ragi 33-82, cumbu 33-07. Rainfall—Mannargudi 72, other stations nil. Rivers $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 foot. Crops generally good. Harvest—paddy, ragi, dholl, varagu, black-gram, horse-gram, ground-nut; outturn below average.

No. 21. Telegram from Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 15-96, cholam 29-59, ragi 35-90, cumbu 37-29. Fever parts five taluks. Crops generally good. Harvest—paddy, cholam five taluks; ragi, cumbu one; others seven taluks; outturn about average. Rain nil.

No. 22. Telegram from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 15-85, cholam 25-38, ragi 32-80, cumbu 30-57. Paddy harvested in some taluks, yield average. Crops not flourishing. Water-supply deficient.

No. 23. Report from Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice (second sort) 15-52, cholam nil, cumbu 38-88, ragi 38-88. Health generally good, but fever is prevalent in parts of Ambásamudram, Sankaranainárkoil, Tenkási and Tinnevely; dysentery prevails in parts of Tenkási and Tinnevely, and small-pox prevails in parts of Ambásamudram, Tenkási, Tenkari and Tinnevely; cattle-disease exists in parts of Tenkási, Nángunéri, Srivilliputur, Sankaranainárkoil and Tinnevely. Crops—condition generally good; but in parts of Srivilliputur Otapidáram, Tenkási and Ambásamudram crops are reported to have withered and they require rain in all the taluks; paddy is being harvested in parts of Nángunéri, Tenkarai, Sankaranainárkoil, Ambásamudram, Tenkási, Otapidáram, Srivilliputur 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 cumbu, cholam and gingelly are being harvested in parts of Otapidáram, Sankaranainárkoil and Tenkarai, and the outturn is up to the average in the first and below the average in the rest. Agricultural operations—preparations for kar cultivation is going on to a small extent in parts where peshanam crops have been harvested. Water-supply sufficient except in parts of Srivilliputur, Otapidáram, Tenkási and Ambásamudram. Rainfall nil; the usual rains in the end of January and February entirely failed.

No. 24. Report from Commissioner of Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Second-sort rice 12-30, cholam 26-25, ragi 25-79, cumbu 21-21. Health generally good. Crops none. Agricultural operations—ploughing in progress. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Ootacamund 0-45 inch; Kódanád and Gúdalúr nil.

No. 25. Telegram from Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 15-5, ragi 25-5. First-crop preparations progressing. Small-pox nine taluks; cattle-disease slight Cherikál, Wynaad, Ernád. Pasture scanty. Rainfall nil.

No. 26. Report from Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Rice 18-07, ragi 22-67. Health good except slight fever in the interior and a few cases of small-pox in Udipti and Uppinangadi taluka. Crops—the third rice-crop plants are reported to be in good condition. Agricultural operations—sowing dry grains in Uppinangadi taluk. Water-supply generally sufficient. Rainfall nil.

No. 27. Telegram from Dewan of Travancore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 22nd March 1881.

Season telegram, Trivandrum.—Ploughing not yet begun. Madras second-sort rice 12-81 and paddy 24-26 seers per rupee. No small-pox or cholera, but fevers and bowel affections prevail. Week's rainfall 1-326.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 1st April 1881, No. 559.

Miscellaneous.

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