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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, from 11th to 17th May 1859.

No. 60. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th May 1859, No. 1723.

Read letter from the Collector of Malabar dated 7th May 1859, No. 101 reporting that the Malabar Coast was visited on the 27th and 28th April by a severe Cyclone.

(In Con. 12th May 1859, No. 2145.)

Submitted for the information of Government.

The Board consider that the Collector has acted judiciously in arranging for the early despatch of a supply of Rice to the Laccadives.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

No. 61. ORDER THEREON, 17th May 1859, No. 678.

Ordered that the foregoing Extract be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

1859.

Department.

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In a letter from the
Collector of Sales D/7.
May 1859 No. 101.

R 858/59.

Memo shewing the
number of Vessels wreck.
in Madras during the
gale of the 27th & 28th
April 1859.——

Memo shewing the number of Vessels wrecked in Malabar during the gale of the 27th and 28th April 1859.

Port	Name of Vessel	Particulars of Cargo	Scene of Wreck	Extent of damage	No. of lives lost	Estimated value of the Craft lost	Remarks
						Rs	
Cannanore	1. Pattimar	Cocoanuts	Cannanore Roads	Wrecked	"	1,000	
	2 do	Salt	do	do	"	1,000	
	3 do	Sundries from Bombay	near the Cannanore Fort	do	"	1,000	
	4 Odom	75 Robbins of Rice for Govt. use 20 Indian Maunds of Salt for do	near the Cannanore Sea Custom House	Driven ashore & partly damaged	"	200	Inclusive of the loss sustained by Odom No 9.
	5 Pattimar	Coir Rope shipped at Alleppy	near the Cannanore Barracks	Wrecked	"	1,500	
	6 do		At Yegar	do	"	"	
	7. Brig "Sundanee"	22 Bundles of Copprah, and Gold and Silver Bullion to the amount of 4000 Rs	At Cawye Valia Cadapoon	do	"	4,270.	
	8. Pattimar "Dhanaprasad"	50 Bundles of Copprah	At Cawaye	do	6	600.	
Tellicherry	9. Odom - Pindal & Mammoo	100 Robbins of Rice for Govt. use	At Thalayee	Partly damaged	"	"	
	10. Pattimar	Railway Sleepers	Near the gallows at Valott South of Tellicherry	Wrecked	"	500	
	11 Padavoo		Tellicherry Roads	do	"	"	
	12 Munjee		do	do	"	"	
	13 Brig "Kapoorool Mashee"		South of Thalayee	Driven ashore and partly damaged.	"	"	
	14 Pattimar		At Dharmapatam	Wrecked	"	"	
	15 do	Coffee &c	Opposite the Cordacedavoo River	do	"	4,500.	
	16. Dhoney "Moideen Bux"		do	Partly damaged	"	"	
Calicut	17 Pattimar		at Poodiangaddy	Wrecked	"	"	
	18 do		do	do	"	"	
	19 do		do	do	"	"	
	20 do		do	do	"	"	
	21 do	378 Robbins of Rice and a quantity of grain	do	do	"	"	
	22 Padavoo "Mahomed Bux"	60 logs of Railway Timber shipped at Beyporr 726 Railway Sleepers shipped at do - 2 candies of Chillies shipped at Mangalore & 3,000 Cocoa Nuts	At Mohmeadavoo	do	"	1,000	
	23. do "Moideen Abdul Khader"	10 logs of Railway Timber and 931 Railway Sleepers shipped from Beyporr	At Beyporr	do	"	4000	
Calaye	24. A French ship that was at anchor in the Mahé roads - broke her anchor cables and sailed with the loss of one of her masts.					900	
	25 Sowalle "Hasmanee Sawoye"	Cocoanuts	At Kettingel	Wrecked	1	350.	
Chowghaut	26 Padavoo	566 Robbins of Rice, 24 do of Wheat and 14 do of Urid shipped from Thethady	South of the Chetwye Bar	do	"	1,500	
Ponnany	27 Dhoney	A quantity of Paddy	At Kodical	do	"	200	
					Total	22,520	

Malabar Collr's office
Calicut 7 May 1859.

R Pearce
Collector.

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Malabar Collector's Office,
Calicut, 7th May 1859

From

P. Grant, Esqre.,
Collector of Malabar.

To

I. D. Sim, Esqre.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I regret much to have to report that the Malabar Coast was visited on 27th and 28th Ultimo by a severe Cyclone which did much damage to the shipping all along the Sea board

2 On the 25th and 26th the state of the Surf was such as to shew that rough weather might be expected. On the night of the 27th the gale blew strongly from the North East and East and gradually veered round to the South and South South West, from which quarter its greatest force was experienced on the 28th on which date it reached its height.

3 The total number of vessels wrecked and driven ashore is 27, out of which

the

the very large proportion of 22 were complete wrecks

4 As yet 7 lives only are reported as lost but I fear this is within the number - for some vessels are known to have gone out to sea and nothing has been heard of them.

5. A fine new vessel the "Storm Cloud" loading with Coffee and Ginger was obliged to put to sea and was very nearly lost on the Mount Delli promontory - 8 miles north of Cannanore. All her sails were carried away and so severe was the force of the gale that under bare poles she was nearly sent on her beam ends. The Captain reports that the real force of the Cyclone was out at sea, and that this part of the Country came merely under the influence of its exterior edge.

6. The damage to trees and Plantain gardens has been great. in parts of the District to the South the 3d Crop has been injured, and in the other parts also, seed sown for the first or Kunny Crop has been partially damaged.

7. I hear that the Coffee gardens in Wynaad have been much injured & that several Bungalows have been blown down.

8. Within 48 hours the rain gauged in my Compound was 7¾ inches.

9. I much fear that the Laccadive Islands have suffered - A large portion of rice and salt which I had dispatched for the use of the people has been destroyed - the two island-vessels in which it was being conveyed having been driven ashore at Tellicherry & Cannanore.

10. Great apprehensions are entertained about the safety of four Laccadive Boats which are said to have left the Coast only a few days before the Storm, with Cargoes of Rice amounting to a thousand and odd Robbins shipped by some of the Islanders on their own account. If any accident should have befallen this supply of Rice which was evidently intended as a Stock for the monsoon when all communication with the main-land is cut off, - the Consequence

to the Islanders must prove very serious - and I have therefore thought it best to take immediate measures to ensure if posible, a supply of Rice to the above extent being at once shipped off from Mangalore to the nearest if not the more distant of the Laccadive Islands. In the event of the Rice not being immediately required it can before long be disposed of on the Islands without loss. On the other hand if our apprehensions should turn out to be correct, there will be no occasion to adopt any extraordinary measures to ensure a further supply of Rice being provided during the Monsoon - this step I trust will meet with the approval of the Board.

II Should any further thing of consequence become known in regard to the Storm, I shall again address you.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedt Servant

P. Grant
Collector

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P.S. Enclosed is a List of the Shipping Lost and injured with an approximate Estimate of the value of their Cargoes.

P. Grant
Collector.

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From
The Collector of Malabar
To
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Fort St George

Dated 7th May 1859
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Enclosure 1
R. D. 858/59

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Rec'd & Copied
J.D.B. & C.C.
12th May 1859

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To Collr.

Transmitting a
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porting the occurrence
of a severe Cyclone in
his District.

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17th May 1859

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