

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
for the month of April 1860.*

No. 68. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd April 1860,
No. 1,660 :—

Read letter from the Collector of Bellary, dated 28th March 1860, No. 48, reporting on the
state of the District, in reply to the Proceedings Board of Revenue, dated 24th February 1860.

(In Con. 2nd April 1860, No. 1,479.)

Mr. Hathaway in this letter reports that the remission authorized by the Board on account
of land unsown in 14 Tálugs, amounting tot
Board's Proceedings, 24th February 1860, Rupees 1,08,786, is being granted, and that the
No. 970. necessary remissions in the remaining two Tálugs
will, after due scrutiny, be granted; and he
further requests permission to use his discretion in granting remission, as soon as the account is
prepared, for losses actually sustained by the wet crops which have withered through failure of
water in the two Tálugs of Bellary and Guliem, in which alone remission on this head will, he
observes, be necessary.

2. The Board authorize the Collector to grant such remissions as he may deem requisite
on this account also. The sum will probably be very trifling, as, with the exception of the
irrigation under the Toombadra river channels in the Bellary Tálug, there is scarcely any irrigated
land in these dry-land Tálugs.

3. The prices of grain at Bellary show that there must be very considerable distress among
the poorer part of the population, Cholum, the
* *Madras Measures are probably referred to,* chief food of the people, being quoted at 14
though not stated so by Mr. Hathaway. Measures* for the Rupee. There is also much
scarcity of water and forage. But the revenue
has been punctually collected, which satisfactory fact Mr. Hathaway attributes to the high
profits realized by the possessors of previous stocks of grain and straw whereby they were enabled
to meet their liabilities. He shows that crime, the usual concomitant of scarcity, had increased,
requiring an additional Police Force to keep it in check. But he expresses his opinion that it
is "highly advisable both to prevent crime and afford the means of existence to the poorer
" class of people, that employment on public works should be afforded to the suffering classes
" in the Tálug of Guliem and the south-eastern parts of Bellary, where the distress is greatest."

4. For this purpose the Collector recommends employment to be given on three lines of
road in the immediate vicinity.

1st. Road from Bellary to Gooty, which is in great need of repair.

2nd. Road from Alur to Pattikonda, being about 17 miles.—This is frequented by
travellers as well as merchants.

3rd. Road from Allur to Gooty via Maddikera.—This is also an important District road.
The employment on these roads, the Board believe, would afford the desired relief, and the roads
themselves would be very useful District communications running through the heavy black-land
plains. The first-named road, viz., that from Bellary to Gooty, which the Collector says is in great
need of repair, was partly undertaken in the year of the great scarcity 1853-4, but was never
completed. The proposed Railway may render this road now the less necessary, but still it
should be kept in repair and completed as a District road.

5. It is probable that the distress may last yet for a few months until the next harvest
time approaches, and it seems to be desirable that means should be afforded to the people, in
the parts where the want is the most urgent, of obtaining a livelihood near their homes for a
short time; and the Board accordingly beg to recommend the Collector's proposition to the
favorable consideration of Government. But they would suggest that the operations which
the Collector proposes to carry out on the three lines of road be confined entirely to one road at
a time.

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6. The roads recommended by the District Engineer are no doubt such as are required, but the present emergency is not so great as to call for such extended operations.

(A true Extract.)

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

No. 69.

ORDER THEREON, 18th April 1860, No. 590.

The Irrigation Company are immediately about to commence their works in the neighbourhood of Kurnool and will employ a very large number of laborers. This being the case, the Government consider it unnecessary to sanction any special relief works in the Bellary District.

2. The Collector speaks of the road from Bellary to Gooty as in great need of repair. Twenty-five miles of this road, being a little less than half the entire distance, was made in 1854, and has a maintenance of 100 Rupees a mile; it is to be supposed that Mr. Hathaway refers to the unfinished part of the road, but this should have been explained. The attention of the District Engineer will now be called, through the Chief Engineer to paragraph 3 of the Order of September 22nd 1857, No. 1,801, calling for an Estimate for the completion of the road. If the Collector and District Engineer should think it expedient, the Government will be prepared to grant a mileage allowance for its repair during the current year, out of the general funds assigned to the District.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
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The following is a list of
the names of the persons
who were sent to the
United States in 1860
to carry out the
policy of the
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are as follows: 18.00
C. H. 1802-1803
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