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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 25th September 1862.

No. 468. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th August 1862, No. 5,639:—

Read the following replies to the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. 1,881, dated 21st March 1862.

From G. S. FORBES, Esq., Collector of Ganjam, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Kumbah, 8th April 1862, No. 71.

SIR,

1. In reply to the Board's Micellaneous Circular, No. 1,881, dated the 21st ultimo, inquiring with what prospect of success an exhibition might be held in this District, I have the honor to observe that the experience of our last attempt leaves little hope of any valuable result following further attempts in the same direction.

2. We can of course invite little more than specimens of raw produce, but the fact is that the special products of the District are already sufficiently known to commerce, and it is not likely that an exhibition would lead to the introduction of any kind of grain or other culture which have as yet been untried.

3. The District might produce both Cotton and Indigo in large quantities, but all that has been hitherto said and published regarding the present state of the Cotton market, or the opening in the Indigo trade occasioned by the state of affairs in the Indigo Districts in Bengal, seem to produce no effect on Native cultivators.

4. The sale of waste lands to capitalists, European and Native, will, I believe, be the commencement of a new era in this respect, and example will probably persuade where prizes and favorable markets have failed.

From E. G. R. FANE, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 14th April 1862, No. 256.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, dated 21st ultimo, No. 1,881, and to state in reply that no exhibition having ever been held in this District, neither is there any prospect of ever having a successful one, at least for many years. The difficulties attending any such shows were prominently brought to notice by my predecessor, Mr. Smollett, in his letter to the Board dated 23rd June 1855, No. 85.

From A. PURVIS, Esq., Collector of the Godavery District, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Cocanada, 30th April 1862, No. 56.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings of the 21st ultimo, requesting me to state whether there now appear good grounds for renewing the exhibitions in this District.

2. I do not think the time has yet arrived for reviving, with much prospect of success, the agricultural exhibitions which were tried a few years ago in this province.

From G. THORNHILL, Esq., Collector of the Kistna District, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq, Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Masulipatam, 17th June 1862, No. 135.

SIR,

1. With reference to Miscellaneous Circular, No. 1,881, dated 21st March 1862, calling for report as to the probability of success attending the renewal of exhibitions in the provinces, I have the honor to state, that I doubt if the circumstances of the country are sufficiently changed, to warrant the expectations that exhibitions will be more successful now than when tried before.

2. The Nellore cattle exhibition, which is held annually at Addanki, is frequented by owners of cattle in the southern and western Táluqs of this District. I am inclined to thing that exhibitions for cattle, or purely agricultural in their nature, would be more likely to succeed than those of more mixed character.

From J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 16th April 1862, No. 80.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. 1,881 of the 21st March 1862, calling for report whether there appear good grounds for renewing Exhibitions in any District with a prospect of success.

2. The annual cattle show at Addanki having hitherto been successful, I am led to believe that a similar show might be instituted with advantage for the southern portion of the District, and I beg to recommend that it be instituted, and held at Nellore each year towards the end of February.

3. The show at Addanki as the Board are aware is only for cattle, but at the Nellore show I would recommend that prizes should be given not only for cattle; but also secondly, for Cotton, Indigo, and Saltpetre; and thirdly, for superior articles in the implements of husbandry at present in use.

4. The Board may perhaps think that two shows in one District are unnecessary; but the shows are upwards of 100 miles apart; and for live stock it is impossible to expect with our present means of communication, either that the northern Táluqs of the District could be affected by a show in the south, or that the Addanki show could exercise any influence on the large herds to be seen in the Táluqs of the principal division.

5. As regards Cotton, Saltpetre, and Indigo, the case is different. These are commodities that could be transmitted with much more ease; and for these articles I only propose to hold one show, viz., at Nellore, where also I would alone give prizes for superior articles in the implements of husbandry at present in use.

6. I believe myself that much good might also be done by exhibiting at these shows a few of the simplest European and American improvements in implements of husbandry suited to the agricultural processes of this country. And if purchased for exhibition at the shows, I believe these implements might with equal advantage be exhibited at the Jamabundi, where the Ryots of twenty or thirty villages at present wait for their turn without any occupation whatever.

7. Should the Board determine to recommend for sanction the exhibition now proposed, I would further recommend that application should be made to the Chamber of Commerce for samples of a superior article in regard to the three items of commerce, for which I propose to offer prizes, viz., Indigo, Cotton, and Saltpetre. The samples would be exhibited to the Ryots to show them what is required for the Home markets; and, in return, samples of the articles for which prizes were given, as well as any other articles that seemed to warrant the distinction, would be forwarded for the inspection and information of the Chamber, who would thus have practical evidence given them of what the District was capable of producing.

8. A good deal of cattle change hands now at the Addanki show. It will, I hope, before long become a Fair; and in establishing a second show on similar principles at Nellore, the Board will observe we are laying the foundation for a cattle fair still more favorably situated as regards the Madras market, and other large markets in the south. Strange to say there are no such fairs at present in this District; and it would be difficult to estimate the hindrance thus thrown in the way for the purchase of cattle. After a man has brought a bullock it is no uncommon thing for him to spend a couple of weeks or more walking about the country to find its match, and when it is considered what must be the cost of his own keep, and of the keep of the beast he leads with him, it may be readily conceived what would be the advantage of gathering together in one show field a large proportion, and that the best portion of the stock for sale.

9. My reason for offering prizes for superior articles in the implements of husbandry at present in use needs little explanation. In the first place we should thus directly benefit the cultivator; whilst in the second place there is perhaps no way more probable of getting those tolerable well off to consider whether they had not better go a step further. On seeing improvements in the implements they are habituated to, they will begin to consider whether these improved implements may not with advantage be exchanged for the improved implements of Europe and America, I propose to exhibit at the cattle shows at the Jamabundi.

From A. HATHAWAY, Esq., Collector of Bellary, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Ramandroog, 1st April 1862, No. 42.

SIR,

In reply to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Miscellaneous No. 1,881 of the 21st ultimo, I have the honor to report that in my opinion the renewing of the exhibition in this District would not be attended with success.

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Muddenpulli, 2nd April 1862, No. 34.

SIR,

1. In reply to Miscellaneous Circular No. 1,881, dated 21st March 1862, I have the honor to state that the result of former exhibitions in this District, has not been such, as to encourage a renewal of the same, with much prospect of success.

2. The people of this District are not sufficiently advanced in civilization, to understand, or to co-operate in, the object of the exhibition, and, consequently, in my opinion, the measure, is in respect to them, premature and scarcely to be recommended.

From J. I. MINCHIN, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Yerrachelma, 3rd April 1862, No. 20.

SIR,

With reference to your Circular, No. 1,881 of the 21st ultimo, calling for early report as to whether there now appears good grounds for renewing the exhibitions in this District with a prospect of success, I have the honor to state that I do not consider such to be the case in Kurnool, and would not recommend any outlay with such an object.

From B. CUNLIFFE, Esq., Collector of Madras, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Sydapet, 31st March 1862, No. 94.

SIR,

Adverting to the Circular Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Miscellaneous, No. 1,881 of the 21st instant, forwarding the Proceedings of Government, 15th idem, No. 586, I have the honor to state that this being a rice bearing District generally, and raising no other valuable product of wet crops, coupled with the adverse nature of the last few seasons, and especially of the present one, render it extremely unlikely that the people will take any interest in renewing the exhibitions, which were held annually for four or five years, and from which no good has apparently resulted.

From the Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 14th May 1862, No. 108.

SIR,

With reference to the Board's Proceedings dated the 21st March last, No. 1,881, circulating the Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 15th March last, No. 586, and calling upon all Collectors to report whether there appears good grounds for renewing the exhibition in any particular District with a prospect of success, I have the honor to report that there appears no likelihood of the exhibition in this District being attended with any success. I do not therefore recommend its being renewed in this District.

From J. FRASER, Esq, Acting Collector of North Arcot, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Palmaner, 25th April 1862, No. 74.

SIR,

I have the honor, with reference to the Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings of the 21st ultimo, No. 1,881, to state that so far as this District is concerned, I am of opinion that no good grounds exist for renewing the agricultural exhibition with any prospect of success.

From C. W. READE, Esq., Collector of South Arcot, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Cuddalore, 31st March 1862, No. 63.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Board's Proceedings of the 21st March, No. 1,881, forwarding the Order of Government, requesting to know if there will be good grounds for renewing the District exhibitions. In answer, I beg to state my opinion that further exhibitions in this District are undesirable.

From G. L. MORRIS, Esq., Acting Collector of Tanjore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 29th April 1862, No. 146.

SIR,

1. With reference to Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated the 21st March 1862, I have the honor to state that I do not see any good grounds for supposing that the renewal of an exhibition in this District would be attended with success.

2. In the exhibition held in April 1859, the total number of exhibitors was considerably less than that in previous years, and I know of no reason why a different result should occur at the present time.

3. I was not in this District when the exhibitions were held here in 1856-57 and 1859, but from enquiries which I have made regarding them, it does not appear that the result were satisfactory or, in any way, commensurate with the expenses incurred, the Natives appearing to take much more interest in the exhibition of 1856, than in either of those which succeeded it.

4. It is a painful fact but none the less true, that the Mirasidárs of Tanjore have not yet learnt the real object of an exhibition: some of the more respectable amongst them would send articles if requested to do so by any one in authority, but if such a request were not preferred I am afraid that the number of exhibitors would be surprisingly small.

5. The chief raw product of the District is paddy, it is, if possible, cultivated everywhere to the exclusion of dry grains, Indigo, and Cotton; an exhibition would not improve its quality, and as former exhibitions have not tended to improve either the breed of live stock, or the manufacture of agricultural products, I am of opinion that any sum spent in Tanjore on an exhibition at the present time would be very little better than a waste of Government money.

From Æ. R. McDONELL, Esq., Collector of Trichinopoly, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Perambalore, 10th April 1862, No. 47.

SIR,

1. I do myself the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Board's Proceedings in Miscellaneous Circular No. 1,881, dated the 21st ultimo, and in reply to the query there put, I beg to state that I am of opinion that at present it is a waste of time and money attempting another exhibition in this District.

2. In the first place this District is very barren in its resources, and in the next the people are not in a sufficiently advanced state, either to appreciate the benefits, or to in the least understand the object or use of a public competitive exhibition.

From V. H. LEVINGE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 2nd April 1862, No. 59.

SIR,

In reply to the Board's Miscellaneous Circular No. 1,881, dated the 21st March 1862, I have the honor to report that there is no desire on the part of the public for a renewal of an exhibition in this District.

From J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 8th April 1862, No. 140.

SIR,

1. In reply to the Miscellaneous Circular of the Board No. 1,881, dated 21st March 1862, I have the honor to state that in my opinion the exhibition might be renewed in Tinnevelly with

a prospect of good success. The exhibitions held in the years 1856 and 1857, at which I was present, were most encouraging, and I read with a feeling of disappointment the report given by the then Acting Collector, Mr. Levinge, of the exhibition held in 1859, during my absence in England. The Board have however recorded their opinion in their Proceedings of the 1st September 1859, that this report is unusually meagre, and does not aid in forming a correct opinion of the character of the exhibition.

2. I would recommend the renewal of an exhibition in Tinnevelly to be held in the month of January 1863.

From E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Ootacamund, 5th April 1862, No. 79.

SIR,

In reply to the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. 1,881, dated 21st ultimo, I beg to state that I think that the former exhibition held in this District in 1856, interested and encouraged the people, and I would recommend a renewal, with prizes as before.

From W. A. GOLDFINCH, Esq., Acting Collector of North Canara, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Sircee, 7th April 1862, No. 30.

SIR,

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 1,881, dated 21st March last, I have the honor to report that I do not see any grounds for renewing the exhibitions in this District.

From A. P. HODGSON, Esq., Acting Collector of South Canara, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Mangalore, 7th April 1862, No. 23.

SIR,

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 15th ultimo, No. 586, I have the honor to state that there appears to be no good grounds for renewing the exhibitions, in South Canara, judging from the result of the one held in 1859.

From P. GRANT, Esq., Collector of Malabar, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Calicut, 1st April 1862, No. 68.

SIR,

1. I have received Miscellaneous Circular No. 1,881, Proceedings Board of Revenue dated 21st March 1862, and beg to state my firm conviction, that there is not the least chance of any interest being taken in an exhibition in the province.

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4. A Cattle show is, as Government are aware, annually held at Addanki in the Nellore District, and the Collector proposes that a similar show should be held at Nellore towards the end of February of each year, as the places are 100 miles apart, and "it is impossible to expect "with our present means of communication, either that the Northern Taluks of the District

"could be affected by a show in the South, or that the Addanki show could exercise any influ-
"ence on the large herds to be seen in the Taluks of the principal Division."

5. As the Collector's proposition will cost but little to the State, and will probably be attended with substantial advantage to the people, the Board recommend it to the favorable consideration of Government.

6. Mr. Dykes further suggests that at the Cattle show proposed to be held at Nellore, prizes should also be offered for best specimens of Cotton, Saltpetre, and Indigo, and for superior articles in the implements of husbandry at present in use; but the Board are of opinion, judging from past results, that a show of the mixed character proposed is not likely to produce any results worth the cost, they would therefore confine the Exhibition at Nellore to cattle alone as recommended in paragraph 5 above.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To Honorable T. Pycroft, Chief Secretary to Government.

Copy to All Collectors.

Exd. J. Wright.

In my opinion it would be advisable to allow the Collectors who express an opinion in favour of such exhibitions, to make the attempt again. Circumstances have altered very much since the last exhibitions took place, and I cannot but think that if commenced quietly & extended gradually the result would be beneficial. The fact that several of the Collectors express an opinion that the people are not sufficiently advanced to appreciate the object of these exhibitions, I may add is what stamps on them Collectors taking to promote the industrial training of the people. - An India must must be done by the Govt. which in other countries may be left to the people, and if the Govt. remains listless & indifferent I cannot little or no progress will be made by the people

Submitting letters from the Collectors regarding the subject of renewing the exhibitions in their Districts, and recommending that the proposal of the Collector of Nellore to have a Cattle show at Nellore similar to that held at Addanki, be sanctioned.

Dated 26th August 1862.
Despatched
Received

No. 5,639.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

No. 2177 Read 1862 Department.

I am directed to inform the Board of Revenue that his Excellency the Governor in Council agrees with the Board in thinking that the Exhibitions of Cattle should be encouraged, but that he is not prepared to sanction the Collector's proposition that prizes should be offered for best specimens of Cotton, Saltpetre, and Indigo, and for superior articles in the implements of husbandry at present in use; and that he is of opinion that the Exhibition at Nellore should be confined to cattle alone as recommended in paragraph 5 of the Board's letter.

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Proceedings of Madras Govt

25th Sept 1862.

Read Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 26 August 1862.-

With them Proceedings the Board of Revenue submit the replies received from the Collectors of Districts in the Madras Presidency to a Circular Memorandum issued by the Board of Revenue, enquiring whether there are good grounds for renewing the Exhibitions held

in the early part of 1859.-
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Collectors of Nellore, Combatore
and Tinnevelly the several
Officers to whom the Boards
Circular was addressed
are decidedly of opinion
that an Exhibition in
their respective districts
will not be attended
with benefit.
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the Exhibitions of 1859,
were considered most
discouraging, do not
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at present of any Exhibitions
and the Board see
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to expect a more favorable
results from Exhibitions
in Combatore & Tinnevelly
than have resulted on
the last occasion.
The Board do not therefore
support the recommendations
of the Collectors of these
districts for an early
renewal of the experiment.
The Collector of Nellore
proposes that in addition
to the Cattle Show which is
annually held at Adanki
in the Nellore district,
a similar Show should
be held at Nellore towards
the end of February of
each year. These places

are 100 miles apart, and
with the present imperfect means of
communication, the cattle
Fair at Adelanki does not
affect the Southern Talugs
of the Nellore district.
The Board support the
Collectors proposal as entailing
only a trifling cost to the State
and as being likely to be
attended with substantial
advantage to the people.
The Board are not prepared
to ~~support~~ recommend the further
proposal of the Collector of
Nellore, that prizes should
also be offered for the best
specimens of Cotton, Saltpetre
and Indigo and for specimen
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husbandry, inasmuch
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of the mixed character
suggested by the Collector
of Nellore is not likely

to produce any results
worth the cost.
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~~recommendations of the~~
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~~the Board of Revenue~~
~~but it would be~~
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The Govt resolve to sanction
the distribution of the
Cattle Show at Nellore,
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Collector of Chingleput
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~~Coimbatore and Tinnevelly~~
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of the Cattle show at Nellore, and also, as proposed by the Collector to offer prizes for produce and implements of husbandry.

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Exhibitions in Districts.

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Passing orders on Board's Proceedings submitting reports of the Several Collectors for renewing the exhibitions held in early part of 1859.

No 4684+469.