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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Dated 20th October 1862, No. 2,240.

No. 238. Read Statement of average Bazar prices of Grain and Salt for Madras Garce for the month of August 1862, Fasli 1272, and submitted by the Board of Revenue, dated 4th October 1862 :—

1. Resolved that this return with the exception of that part which relates to Cotton and Indigo, be published in the Gazette as usual.

2. The columns showing the price of these articles exhibit such an extraordinary variation in the different Districts as to lead to the belief that they are altogether untrustworthy. A Maund of Cotton sold in Godavery, South Arcot and Trichinopoly, at rates varying between 44 and 35 Rupees, is stated to be sold in Ganjam, Bellary, North Arcot, Madura and Salem, at from 3 to 10 Rupees. And similarly, the Candy, which fetches 200 Rupees in Tinnevely, and 240 in Cuddapah, is alleged to be procurable in Vizagapatam for 24 Rupees, in Madras for 49 or 45 Rupees, and in Tanjore for 32 Rupees. It is not stated, except in the case of Coimbatore, whether the prices given are for clean or uncleaned Cotton.

3. Again, in the case of Indigo, a Maund, worth in other Districts from 40 to 65 Rupees, may be purchased in Tanjore and Trichinopoly for Rupees 1-7-0 and 3-6-4 respectively, and the price of a Candy falls from 1,503 in Kurnool to 23 in South Arcot.

4. The Board of Revenue will be requested to explain these serious differences, and to revise the return under notice. It is observed that columns 6 and 12 are erroneously headed "acres" instead of Rupees.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Average bazar prices of grain and salt per Madras force for the month of August 1862 Fasli 1272.

Districts	Prices of grain and sea salt.										Rain fall				
	2 ^d lot		2 ^d lot		Arise		Sea				Northern Section	Southern	Eastern	Western	Average
	rice	paddy	Cholum	Raggy	Prann	Salt									
	Fasli 1271	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"					
	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	R ₄	R ₅	R ₆	R ₇	R ₈	R ₉	R ₁₀	R ₁₁	R ₁₂	R ₁₃	R ₁₄	R ₁₅
Ganjam	266	261	106	102	"	175	134	133	177	121	263	252	1000	870	2070
Vijayapattinam	295	312	119	130	135	167	118	150	147	136	261	253	800	380	300
Northern Godavary	737	315	110	114	126	169	113	155	158	150	238	212	678	520	388
Northern Krishna	285	377	105	153	156	186	138	168	166	153	248	234	610	340	450
Northern Koller	274	377	132	160	169	190	145	165	212	199	217	232	123	256	200
Cuddapa	385	424	174	194	228	228	209	201	231	225	312	319	142	045	372
Ceded District Bellary	314	368	139	159	233	167	143	161	183	187	337	131	170	160	040
Ceded District Hurnool	353	358	168	155	164	183	155	164	194	205	307	341	1350	1500	1910
Madras	370	375	169	169	208	222	204	236	243	224	202	228	240	805	400
East Centre N. Arcot	358	388	167	167	205	263	203	240	226	223	219	220	1554	168	"
East Centre S. Arcot	341	336	155	148	178	215	196	193	234	182	219	232	740	650	650
Tanjore	332	326	145	148	"	170	165	168	285	221	218	207	336	408	363
Canney Trichinopoly	388	381	177	179	237	234	200	204	257	221	300	277	210	220	120
Madura	340	458	152	214	182	291	154	236	241	238	222	237	136	320	245
Southern Tinnevely	359	449	163	212	202	277	199	259	257	284	238	239	013	360	029
Coimbatore	402	445	187	208	194	309	184	241	264	299	331	321	145	125	290
West Centre Salem	377	376	176	176	213	217	202	198	216	217	255	246	1500	1470	110
S. Canara	267	302	118	135	"	"	174	199	275	271	212	205	4505	3590	3550
West Malabar	320	384	165	176	"	"	168	177	309	291	260	295	10900	4095	5275

Remarks on the Season.

Northern. Rain fell in all these districts. In Ganjam the Cultivation of paddy and raggy was almost completed. In the Jumsur Taluq the greater portion of the pingley crop was destroyed by untimely falls of rain. In other localities

it was mostly reaped. In Vizagapatam the dry crops were being reaped. In the Godavery district the early dry crops were in good condition; Gingely Oil and other dry grains were being harvested. In the Nistna district the dry crops were suffering much from want of rain; wet Cultivation was progressing in the well watered lowland but it was very backward where irrigation was deficient; the Cultivation of Cotton and Indigo ^{had} not yet commenced. In Nellore the Peshamum sown had taken place to a small extent. Prices had risen in all the districts but Ganjam. Small pox had made its appearance in all these districts, and except in Vizagapatam Cattle generally suffered from Murrain.

Ceded Districts. There was a slight fall of rain in these districts. In Cuddapah generally the crops were not in a good condition from want of proper rain, from which cause the Cultivation of Cotton and Indigo greatly fell off. In parts of Bellary and Surnool the early crops were suffering - the sowing of Indigo and Cotton had commenced in Surnool. Prices were high in Bellary. Fever was prevalent in parts of Surnool and Cholera to a very great extent in certain Taluqs of Bellary.

East Centre. Rain fell in these districts. In Madras no Cotton had been cultivated, and the Indigo crops had failed. In North Arcot the Gingely, Raggy and Veragoo crops had improved. In South Arcot Cumbroo was harvested in some localities, but the yield varied

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varied in different localities; wet Cultivation was in a satisfactory state. Prices had fallen a little in North Arcot, but were still high. Cholera prevailed in parts of Madras and North Arcot; in the latter district Murrain also prevailed among Cattle.

Canvey. There were partial showers in these districts. The Cultivation of Lumbos and other dry grains had suffered to some extent; wet Cultivation had considerably advanced and was progressing well. In Trichinopoly Lumbos Peshamum in wet land and Cholum and Cotton in the dry and wet Taluqs were being cultivated. Cholera prevailed to a very slight extent in Tanjore.

Southern. Rain fell in these districts. In Madras the Cultivation of Wet and dry crops had been carried on to a limited extent, while in some of the villages dry crops on the ground were withering from want of water. In Tinnevely Cumbroo and other Loonyah crops were languishing. Prices continued high in

in these districts. Fever and Smallpox prevailed in parts of Madras. Cattle suffered from Murrain in the two districts.

West Centre. There were slight showers in these districts. In Coimbatore dry lands had partially been cultivated, the cultivation of Raggy &c was in progress; wet crops under the irrigation of rivers were in a good condition. In Salem Cumboo singly Oil seed & raggy &c had been sown in all the Taluqs, paddy was being sown; both dry and wet crops and sugar cane were in good condition. Prices had risen in this district. Fever prevailed in parts of these districts.

West. There was a good fall of rain in these districts. In South Canara the rice crops were healthy and there was every prospect of an abundant harvest. In Malabar the harvesting of the Car crop had commenced, the cultivation of Oil seeds was in progress. Prices have slightly risen in South-Canara, where fever and Murrain had existed.

The following statement shows the Cotton and Indigo cultivation for the month of August 1862. Fasli 1272.

Districts	Cotton						Indigo					
	Fasli 1271		Fasli 1272		Market Rates		Fasli 1271		Fasli 1272		Market Rates	
	Extent	Assessment	Extent	Assessment	Per Maund	Per Bandy	Extent	Assessment	Extent	Assessment	Per Maund	Per Bandy
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Seris	Per	Seris	Per	Seris	Per	Seris	Per	Seris	Per	Seris	Per
1. Ganjam	"	"	2775	4170	364	"	"	"	"	"	10625	"
2. Vizagapatnam	2731	12670	3874	12382	"	24	262	1119	315	1488	40	"
3. Godavery	"	"	"	"	44	"	61	53	20	36	46	"
4. Kistna	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
5. Nellore	3931	3539	1200	1422	"	121	10791	23124	10603	27048	56	"
6. Cuddapah	37611	35628	1552	2684	"	240	18325	71961	11557	36963	"	32640
7. Bellary	"	"	1572	849	7 1/2	"	111	139	405	1045	65	"
8. Kurnool	5405	5528	1652	2300	"	148	8517	18571	14578	11593	"	1523
9. Madras	"	"	"	"	"	10625	624	3490	1741	7058	"	100400
10. North Arcot	"	"	"	"	8	"	726	1798	640	1266	50	"
11. South Arcot	21	41	575	1183	37 1/2	"	10856	23516	26560	52906	"	231
12. Tanjore	323	413	226	356	"	32	25	22	61	70	"	153
13. Trichinopoly	"	"	80	137	35 1/2	"	"	"	6	23	7	"
14. Madurai	2401	2794	1912	2285	10	"	13	20	1	143	64	"
15. Tirunelveli	21	21	168	126	"	200	"	"	5	6	"	68-12
16. Coimbatore	22572	22362	3904	3858	"	242	"	"	"	"	"	"
17. Salem	11697	17994	6729	10923	6-11-10	"	89	461	100	786	50	"
Total	87623	111980	29319	44235	"	"	52400	144584	66592	171089	"	"

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Secretary

To
Honble J. Pycroft
Chief Secretary to Government.

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