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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 7th May 1866.

No. 109. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th April 1866.

Read the following paper:—

Season Report for the first fortnight of April 1866.

1. A little rain fell on the 3rd, 4th, and 7th of the fortnight throughout the greater part of the District. The fall at Kimedy was tolerably copious.

2. The scarcity of water was still great everywhere. The extreme heat and the high winds were rapidly drying up the little water that still remains in certain places.

3. The Ryots have taken advantage of the late slight showers to plough their fields, and some of them have sown gingelly and raggy.

4. Prices still continue to be very high. Field and other laborers and the very poor are in much distress. The poor-houses are unable to meet the demands of the numerous starving applicants for food. Death from starvation is now becoming of more frequent occurrence.

5. Cholera, small-pox, and fever were prevalent everywhere. Cattle were free from disease, but several had died from want of pasture.

CHETTERPORE, (Signed) G. S. FORBES,
21*st April* 1866. *Collector.*

Submitted for the information of Government. The account is distressing.

No. 110. ORDER THEREON, 7th May 1866, No. 1,074.

Land Revenue.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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