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No. 117. Read the following letter from the Acting Sub-Collector, to the Collector of Bellary, dated Madaksirah, 24th August 1866, No. 254:—

I arrived here yesterday, and found the state of the people worse than I had expected. Cholera is not so bad as, I wrote, was reported in Hindupur. There were only two deaths the day before yesterday. I have not yet heard what number of deaths was yesterday reported; but the scarcity of grain is serious indeed. There is no Cholum or Raggy to be got, and Rice is selling at two measures the Rupee; that is, if you can buy it at all. There is, I fancy, in the merchants' stores more rice than they require for their own consumption, but which they are holding back in the hopes of prices rising; but I cannot be so certain about this here, as at Hindupur. It is next to useless sending money here; it is grain itself is required. The people have money, but there is no food to buy with it. They flock into the Kusbah town in hopes of being able to buy food there; but coming in such large masses, they find no food, they find Cholera and death. There is no doubt that Cholera has been very bad here. And unless grain were paid to coolies instead of money, (and for that grain cannot be got here,) I would strongly deprecate any large public works being carried out here: it will congregate large numbers of people, and may fill their pockets with money, but it will not give them food. The consequence will be deaths by hundreds, while if you did not mass the people together, you might only have deaths by tens.

(True Copy.)
(Signed) A. WEDDERBURN,
Collector.

The Revenue Secretary, with reference to Telegram of 29th instant, and for information.

(Signed) A. WEDDERBURN,
Collector.

No. 118. ORDER THEREON, 5th September 1866, No. 2,367.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Commissary General has forwarded 240 bags of Raggy to Serah.

2. The Collector will keep Government acquainted with the state of affairs in the Sub-division.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Bellary.
„ the Commissary General.
„ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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I. D.
5th Sept.r/56.

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