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11th October 1866.

No. 266. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th October 1866.

Read the following :—

No. 292.

Season Report from 16th to 30th September 1866.

1. RAIN.—The present aspects of the season are most cheering. During the earlier part of the fortnight, the showers were light and partial, and a good deal of wet crop was in jeopardy, but during the latter week there have been two or three short but heavy downpours throughout the District.

2. The Palar, Ponne, Cheyar rivers and other smaller streams have all been more or less in flood since the 24th, and the anicut channels have filled well. In some parts the tanks are reported to have received a full supply; in others from one to five months' water. The rain has at length penetrated to the most western tracts of the District, and a heavy downpour is reported in those much distressed regions, the Kangundi Zemindary and Palmanair Talook.

3. STATE OF THE CROPS.—*Wet.*—Samba paddy and nát raggy cultivated to a fair extent under wells, spring, and river channels and tanks according to supply of water.

4. *Dry.*—Cholum, samalu, arikalu, red, black, green and horse-gram, gingely, oil-seed, raggy, and cumboo coming away well. Green crops generally promising; raggy and cumboo and cholum have been cut. Outturn in best land three-quarters of the average yield.

5. PRICES.—Prices of rice of both sorts, of paddy second sort, cholum, cumboo, and horse-gram had risen by last returns, and first sort paddy and raggy were stationary; but there is a downward tendency the last day or two, which it is to be hoped will continue. Meanwhile, the uneasiness in the principal markets is very great, and the tension has produced occasional interruptions of supplies in the Vellore and Chittoor bazaars, which provoked some angry demonstrations. Exports of paddy still active, although the merchants profess to hold supplies which will meet local consumption for some months to come.

6. PUBLIC HEALTH.—Cholera has almost disappeared. Fever prevalent in parts of the Vellore Talook.

7. CONDITION OF CATTLE.—The "Vakkai" disease still shews itself here and there in the Arcot Talook. Pasture and water abundant.

8. On the whole, a very fair harvest may now be anticipated with tolerable assurance.

(Signed) J. D. ROBINSON,
Collector.

CHITTOOR,
3rd October 1866.

1. Submitted for the information of Government.
2. Copy to the Relief Committee.

No. 267. ORDER THEREON, 11th October 1866, No. 2,746.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
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