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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 5th November 1866.

No. 88. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th August 1866, No. 6,156.

Read the following letter from the Principal Assistant Collector, to the Collector of Vizagapatam, dated Narsipatam, 4th May 1866, No. 80:—

1. With reference to the Board of Revenue's Proceedings, No. 6,983, dated 31st October, I have the honor to submit, herewith, a revised Statistical Memoir of the village of Narsipatam, which has been very carefully prepared. If approved by the Board, and ordered to be printed, I shall be glad to be favored with three printed copies.

2. I would also request to be informed whether the Board desire the preparation of Statistical Memoirs of any other villages in this District. As this has been very fully drawn out, and describes the system of cultivation, &c., pursued generally in the southern portion of the District, (there being only two Talooks under Government management,) the Memoir of another village would contain much repetition, and I am not aware of any particular features in the Sarvasidhi Talook, which are not common also to Golgonda.

3. The Memoir is accompanied by a plan of Narsipatam shewing the works that have been, and are in course of execution under the Gubbada anicut.

4. I feel bound to acknowledge the important assistance I have received in the preparation of the Memoir, from Goday Venkattappa Row, Translator in your office, who was for some months acting as my Serishtadar. He has worked indefatigably in collecting information for me, even after his connection with my office ceased. I have also received much intelligent aid in collecting materials from R. Narsinga Row, Head Clerk, and K. Sashagiri Row, English Writer.

P. S.—As there are so many Botanical and other names in the Memoir, which will be liable to be mutilated in setting up, I would suggest (as I am too far from Madras to undertake the office myself) that the Superintendent of the Government Central Museum may be asked kindly to correct the proof sheets.

Endorsement.

Forwarded accordingly (by Banghy) to the Board of Revenue. Mr. Boswell's Memoir has evidently been prepared with exhaustive industry and care, and will no doubt elicit the highest approbation.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Collector.

VIZAGAPATAM,
7th May 1866.

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Statistical Memoir.

1. Ordered that the foregoing letter, and its enclosure, be submitted to Government, with reference to Government Order, dated 2nd May 1865, No. 896, Revenue Department, paragraph 24, and with the request that Mr. Boswell's Statistical Memoir of the village of Narsipatam may be printed, and copies furnished to all Collectors, as a model of what is required.

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2. The Board consider that Mr. Boswell is deserving of the utmost credit for the intelligent and exhaustive manner in which he has carried out the intentions of Government. They request that a dozen copies of the Memoir may be furnished to the Collector of Vizagapatam, and six copies to the Board's office.

No. 89. ORDER THEREON, 5th November 1866, No. 2,992.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government concur with the Board in the opinion which they have expressed of Mr. Boswell's Memoir, and desire that their thanks be conveyed to him.

2. The Memoir contains some suggestions of improvements, which would have found a more appropriate place in a separate report.

3. The Board will arrange for the printing of the Memoir, furnishing Government with twenty-five copies for their Office.

(True Extract.)

Signed)J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 6,983.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 31st October 1865.

Read the following letter from D. F. CARMICHAEL, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 26th July 1865, No. 523:—

Referring to Board's No. 3,623 of 29th June ultimo, I have the honor to submit a Statistical Memorandum on the village of Nursipatam, prepared by the Acting Principal Assistant Collector, who appears to have drawn up the same with great care. I trust it will meet with the Board's approval.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.— Statistical Memorandum.

1. Before printing the Statistical Memoir of the village of Nursipatam, prepared by the Acting Principal Assistant of Vizagapatam, Mr. J. A. Boswell, and received from the Collector with his letter above recorded, the Board resolve to return it with the following remarks, and to request that Mr. Boswell will revise it accordingly.

2. The information given in the Memoir is in some respects not so complete as could be desired, and the amendments and omissions, as they occur to the Board, will be here noted for Mr. Boswell's guidance.

3. In paragraph 1 of the Memoir, the precise positions as to latitude and longitude of Nursipatam and Golkonda should be stated, as well as their boundaries, geographical features, and area.

4. The population might form the subject of another paragraph, and should be taken according to the *latest census;* the proportion of males to females and children in the several castes, Hindoos, Mahomedans, Brahmins, &c., being shown as in the following table:—

	Brahmins.			Hindoos.			Mahomedans.			Lower castes.			Total Males.	Total Females.	Total Males and Females.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.			
Above 5 years...															
„ 10 „ ...															
„ 15 „ ...															
„ 20 „ ...															
„ 30 „ ...															
„ 40 „ ...															
„ 50 „ ...															
Total...															

The information given in paragraph 15 of the Memoir might be included in this paragraph, but the number of married couples should be given, and the proportion of male to female children born in the year.

5. A separate paragraph should be devoted to a notice of the total Ayacut of the village; its division into Poramboke, Inam, and Government land; and the last named class into cultivable, assessed, unassessed, cultivated, wet, garden, dry, single crop, double crop, and waste. The number of classes of wet and dry land, and the quantity of land under each class, should be noted, as well as the maximum, minimum, and average rates of wet, garden, and dry. The cause of the existence of waste and of unassessed cultivable land should also be alluded to.

6. Of what size are the tanks referred to in paragraph 3 of the Memoir, and what they cost? Are they old or new, and what quantity of land is irrigated under them und classes obtaining in the village? Of what description are the wells, and what did they cos few more particulars regarding the anicut would be interesting. Was it built by Governm by private enterprise? The highest, lowest, and average assessment per acre of the dr converted into wet should be stated; also whether the four other villages irrigated b anicut be Government or Zemindary villages, and whether the anicut is built over a riv jungle stream.

The remission on account of the wet land left uncultivated, in consequence of a fail water, should be omitted as ephemeral; but the Board would wish to be informed more p larly about the shavy, and why only ten per cent. on the sist was remitted.

7. Paragraph 4 of the Memoir. The extent of land under each kind of soil, and the each kind, might be added.

8. Paragraph 5. What is the usual period of the rains, and the seasons in general; the planting, reaping, and gathering of the several products? By what name are the "(plants" known among the European Officers of the District? What *sort* of plough is that "to open up the soil?" The instrument used "to loosen the earth around the plants in dr "tivation," although called a "spade" in the Memoir, is probably a *spud* or implement what like a chisel with a long handle, used by farmers for destroying weeds.

9. Are the fruit trees mentioned in paragraph 9 of the Memoir taxed, and the timb the hills conserved, and if so, how?

10. The computation price, or the average of ten years, might be shown, in addi columns, in the table in paragraph 17.

11. In paragraph 18, no mention is made of the small-pox, nor of the *condition* cattle of the village, their cost, and the degree of attention paid to their breeding. Do the pay any tax for the portion of their Puttah lands left in grass, or for that allowed to lie fa and if so, what tax?

12. When were the seven private topes, mentioned in paragraph 22, planted? Of what do they consist, and is any revenue derived from them by the owners, or are they chari topes?

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary.

To D. F. Carmichael, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam,
with enclosure returned.

Exd. J. Wright.

Dated 31st October 1865.

No. 6,983.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVEN

Returning for revision Statistical Memoir the village of Nursipatam in Vizagapatam d trict.

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The Sub Collector in the Memoir which they have expressed the Revenue Board's opinion that their Memoir should be conveyed to them.

The Memoir contains some suggestions of improvement which would have found a more appropriate place in a separate report.

The Board will arrange for the printing of this Memoir - printing Statistics 25 abreast for their Volume or Reports 1866.

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