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No. 582. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd October 1866.

Read the following :—

No. 222.

Remarks on the state of the season from 1*st to* 15*th October* 1866.

1. *Rain-fall.*—Rain-fall in abundance throughout the District, excepting in portions of Oodiarpollium ; the tanks have consequently received good supplies, and even breaches have been reported.

2. *Freshes.*—The freshes in the Coleroon have been high and continuous, thus furnishing an ample supply to all our channels dependent thereon, and filling the Weyacondan. On Monday night the Ayyar, which has its source on the confines of Salem in the old Torriore Talook, and flows into the Coleroon just above the anicut, rose to an unusual height, pressed against the parapet walls and crown of the arches of the bridge connecting the Salem road, and thus five out of the six arches were totally destroyed. A very extensive breach also occurred close by in the Ayyar bank, swamping a large extent of paddy ready for the sickle, but not improbably preventing danger to the anicut. Collector has been to the spot, and will report more fully hereafter.

3. *Cultivation.*—Carr and sumba are being cultivated in the river-irrigated portions, as well as gram, gingelly-oil seeds, and other grains in the dry tracts. Under each, irrigation wet crops are being largely raised.

4. *Harvest.*—Carr and caruva paddies have been harvested and brought into the market ; also cumboo, cholum, and raggy.

5. *Public Health*—On the whole satisfactory, but a few cholera cases in Kulitallay.

6. *Relief Houses.*—These institutions continue to distribute food to the poor and indigent, but there is nothing now in the state of the season so exceptional as to imperatively demand their continuance, and they will be gradually done away with.

7. *Prices*—Have slightly fallen, but not so much as one would have anticipated. Markets are well supplied, and daily exports are being made from Trichinopoly to Colombo viâ Negapatam. These extensive inundations are likely to cause a re-action, a rise again hereafter.

(Signed) G. BANBURY,
Collector.

TRICHINOPOLY,
19*th October* 1866.

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

No. 583. ORDER THEREON, 25th October 1866, No. 2,885.

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(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Relief Committee.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

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