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No. 721. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th October 1866.

Read the following :—

Season Report for the first fortnight of October 1866.

1. Superabundant showers fell at intervals throughout the District. Tanks, rivers, channels, wells, and paddy fields were overflowing with water. The Berhampore Tahsildar reports that even if no more rain falls the paddy crop will be an abundant one.

2. Early raggy has been cut, but the yield was meagre in the extreme in consequence of heavy rains. Only in the Chicacole Talook has the raggy crop been abundant. In the bazaars, in the north of the district, the raggy exposed for sale is all of foreign growth.

3. Dwarf paddy was in ear, and in several localities it has been cut with a good out-turn. Paddy and rice, the produce of the district, were being sold in moderate quantities almost universally.

4. The larger kind of paddy, sugar-cane black and red, and horse-gram, maggee, ginjelly and other standing crops were very promising.

5. Cotton was being picked in Chicacole Talook.

6. Prices of rice and paddy were falling, but there was no change in the price of raggy, the chief food of the poor. About 20,000 of the ryot class were receiving weekly doles of raw rice at the different stations.

7. The public health was good. Mortality was, however, still great among the poor about Berhampore, Ganjam, and Purshottapore.

8. Cattle were free from fatal diseases, and had abundance of pasture.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Collector.

GANJAM,
Chetterpore,
20th October 1866.

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

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

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

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