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No. 517. Read the following letter from the Officiating Commissioner of Cuttack, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Fort Saint George, dated 10th July 1867, No. 267:—

1. I have the honor to forward, for your information, copy of the last report received from Collector of Pooree, dated 1st July. The Assistant Collector of Khordha, on 7th idem, notes that some grain is being exported from Khordha to Cuttack, but in small quantities, owing to difficulty of carriage at this season. During the week rice at Pooree bazaar sold from $11\frac{4}{16}$ to $11\frac{13}{16}$ seers per Rupee. At Khordha from $10\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 and 13 seers per Rupee, and at Banpore, near your frontier, at $15\frac{13}{16}$ seers.

2. The rain-fall has been moderate, and favourable to cultivation. The crops promise well, and in the absence of serious flood our prospects are generally improving.

General narrative of the week ending Monday, July 1st, 1867.

In most places there has been little change of prices, the influx of pilgrims into the town has made rice slightly dearer, though there has been a considerable import from Ganjam. It is expected that as soon as the Car festival is over, prices will fall. There has been a considerable fall of rain, and the rice in the lower grounds would be better for a few fine days; the crops in the higher grounds are forward and strong. The people, in general, continue to improve, and are recovering from last year's misfortunes. There is much distress in parts, more especially among those families of a comparatively respectable class, which have lost their male representatives. The labouring classes are well off, as work is abundant. There is little demand for rice at our Sale Golahs, except in the east of the district, and little claim upon the Import Golah at Pooree. The district seems very healthy just now, and there has not been any serious illness among the pilgrims. Since the commencement of the rains several cases of dysentery of last year's type have appeared among the recipients of relief at Pooree.

(Signed) H. C. B. C. RABAN,
Officiating Collector.

POOREE,
5th July 1867.

From the Assistant Collector in charge of Khordha, to the Officiating Collector of Pooree, dated Khordha, 7th June 1867, No. 139.

1. I have the honour to inform you that the paupers in the Khordha Nenochutter have been attacked with small-pox. The Famine Assistant Surgeon made some complaints to Mr. Farquharson as to the unsatisfactory state of the Bhobanissur Urnochutter, in respect to the want of proper house accommodation, and in reference to the misconduct of the Mohurir who, in his opinion, is a dishonest person.

2. Mr. Farquharson left some days ago (on the 4th instant I believe) for Bhobanissur, and before his departure I requested him to make an investigation in reference to state of the Bhobanissur Urnochutter, and, if possible, to remedy any evils and abuses that may come under his notice.

3. A small quantity of paddy was exported to Cuttack, and rice is reported, and I believe, with truth, to be selling at 12 or 13 Cuttack seers in the Banpore part of the sub-division. Beyond this there is nothing of importance to report.

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Copy forwarded to the Commissioner of Cuttack for his information.

(Signed) J. J. LIVESAY,
Assistant Collector.

KHORDHA,
7th July 1867.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th July 1867.

No. 518.

Miscellaneous.

ORDER THEREON, 26th July 1867, No. 1,703.

Communicated to the Revenue Board and the Collector of Ganjam.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Collector of Ganjam.
,, the Editors' Table.