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*Average Bazar prices of Grain and Salt, per Madras garce, and Rain Report of all
the Districts of the Madras Presidency for the month of March 1867,
Fasli 1276.*

Districts.		PRICES OF GRAIN AND SEA SALT.												RAIN-FALL.				
		2nd Sort Rice.		2nd Sort Paddy.		Cholum.		Raggy.		Horse Gram.		Sea Salt.		Northern Section.	Southern do.	Eastern do.	Western do.	Average.
		1275.		1276.		1275.		1276.		1275.		1276.						
		Fasli	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"					
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.
Northern Section.	Ganjam...	532	295	213	114	210	211	309	203	261	190	245	273	1.70	0.20	0.70	2.60	1.30
	Vizagapatam ...	439	247	196	103	231	186	226	149	227	169	277	291	1.60	"	0.30	1.20	0.80
	Godavery.....	307	207	139	133	175	166	168	156	214	203	231	240	0.25	"	"	2.60	0.71
	Kistnah.....	352	410	187	196	170	257	171	193	228	235	238	291	"	"	"	"	"
	Nellore.....	379	421	166	202	210	286	187	247	265	349	232	263	0.20	0.48	"	1.23	0.47
Ceded Districts.	Cuddapah ...	507	595	234	278	329	326	299	275	347	305	316	330	0.30	0.05	0.10	0.20	0.16
	Bellary ...	583	620	248	283	457	277	381	276	457	293	457	432	0.80	0.50	0.81	0.10	0.53
	Kurnool ...	571	532	239	283	319	281	324	225	357	270	333	327	0.10	"	0.10	"	0.05
East Centre.	Madras.....	430	352	142	166	290	298	283	312	398	365	257	269	"	"	"	"	"
	North Arcot ...	411	402	186	172	286	341	294	318	352	290	239	243	0.06	"	"	"	0.07
	South Arcot.....	428	379	183	160	282	216	226	244	284	267	256	255	"	"	"	"	"
Cauvery.	Tanjore	409	364	191	169	265	234	217	202	307	282	249	237	"	"	"	"	"
	Trichinopoly ...	456	425	246	195	218	164	244	224	362	257	265	292	"	"	"	"	"
Southern Section.	Madura... ..	531	493	257	231	256	238	265	209	283	287	254	288	"	"	"	0.30	0.12
	Tinnevely ...	571	475	246	229	"	336	287	226	326	333	270	287	0.80	0.85	0.16	2.78	1.15
West Centre.	Coimbatore... ..	572	496	224	234	337	330	284	263	336	234	323	537	"	0.80	0.21	0.70	0.47
	Salem.....	447	444	211	202	294	267	266	274	288	245	280	295	1.00	"	"	"	0.02
West.	South Canara ...	431	395	184	165	"	"	288	300	358	369	232	254	"	"	"	"	"
	Malabar.....	445	449	227	230	"	"	266	325	364	307	293	300	0.97	0.85	0.80	0.60	0.80

Remarks on the Season.

Northern Section. There was a slight fall of rain in all the Districts of this section except in that of Godavery.

In Ganjam Lump oil seeds and Mustard had been

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reaped. Summer Ruzzy green
grain and other dry grains were
in a thriving condition. Paddy
and Rice were still being largely
exported to Cuttack and other
places.

In Vizagapatam, Paddy
had been reaped and the standing
crops were in a good condition.

In the Godavari district
Summer paddy was being trans-
planted. Grain and Lamp oil
plants were thriving. Cotton
was being picked and the yield
was good. Kengal grain was cut
and the sugarcane was in the
mill.

In the Histnah district
the second crop paddy was in very
good order. Cotton and Indigo
were generally in a good condition
though the former had failed
in some localities.

In many parts of the
district of Kellare, several des-
criptions of crops were being har-
vested. The 2^d crop paddy had been
cultivated in parts of the district

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The standing crops were generally healthy
though they had suffered from blight
in a few localities.

Prices had slightly risen
in this section except in Janam
and Vizagapatam where they re-
mained almost stationary.

Cholera and small pox
were prevalent in all these dis-
tricts, as also fever which had
shown itself in some parts of
them.

Cattle were not free from
disease in this section.

Ceded district.

There was a slight fall of
rain in all these districts except
Cuddapah. A severe hailstorm
raged over the northern and
southern sections of the Mellary
district causing a loss of human
life and considerable loss of stock
as well as severe injury to the crops.

In Cuddapah the standing
crops were generally in a good order
except in a few localities, where
they were withering from want
of water. Both the wet and dry
grains were being cut in parts of
the district. Indigo was being
sown in some Taligo and sugarcane
cut. Cotton plants were in good

condition and a portion of the crop was being gathered in.

In Bellary transportation of cotton was going on, as also in transportation of grain. The markets had been well supplied.

In most of the taluqs of Tumacot, wet crops had been cut and Cotton gathered.

Prices had a tendency to fall in these districts.

Fever was rife in this section especially in the districts of Bellary and Tumacot. There had been a few cases of small pox in Bellary and Cholera had appeared in Cuddapah and Tumacot.

The pressure caused by the scarcity in the district of Bellary was nearly at an end and it was not found necessary to continue the special measures of relief except in a few localities.

Cattle were not free from disease in these districts.

No rain fell in this cir. Last Centre etc except a few showers in parts of North Arcot.

In Madras Navaraya & Paggy were being cultivated. Sambac crops

were being harvested.

In North Arcot Navaraya, Paggy and Sugarcane were being cultivated on wet and Navaraya paddy and Chillies on dry lands. The standing crops were generally in good condition, though in some parts of the district the wet paddy crops suffered partly from scarcity of water and partly from blight. Indigo plants grown on dry lands were drooping from want of water. Several of the dry and wet grains had been harvested and the out-turn was generally favorable.

In South Arcot the principal harvest of the Nanjik crops had been nearly completed. Dry grains of different descriptions were being harvested extensively and Sugar cane cut in a few localities.

Prices had slightly risen in all the districts except in North Arcot, where they remained stationary.

Public

Public health was generally good, though there were some cases of Cholera and fever in some parts of these districts.

Cattle suffered slightly from disease in a few Taluqs.

There was little or no rain in Cauvery this section.

The harvest throughout the Tanjore District had been completed.

The standing crops under a few tanks had suffered from want of water.

In some parts of the Trichinopoly District, the second crop Paddy was being cut. Cotton and Indigo were in the same state as in the preceding months. Gingely oil-seeds were under cultivation. Water had almost failed in the Cauvery and Coleroon rivers, the irrigating channels dependent on them having received but a scanty supply.

As to prices there was no fluctuation in Tanjore though they

they were rising in Trichinopoly.

The general health was on the whole good, but there were a few cases of Cholera in certain localities of the Tanjore District.

Southern Section.

There was no rain in this section, except partial showers in the Tinnevely District.

In Madurai, the harvest of the Paddy crops had been completed.

Cholum and Gingely were sown in both wet and garden lands in some parts of the District. The standing crops of Cotton and Indigo looked pretty well, though in some localities the former was beginning to fade from want of rain. Many of the poorer classes had emigrated from the Meybair Taluk, where the scarcity of water had been much felt though special

Measures

measures of relief were in progress.

In Tinnevely nearly every description of crop had been harvested - Cotton was being picked but a short crop was anticipated owing to the want of seasonable rains.

Prices had fallen in this section, except in Tinnevely, where they remained unchanged.

The Public health was generally good, though there were some cases of Cholera and small pox in parts of the Madure District.

Cattle were generally free from disease.

Partial showers of rain fell in parts of this circle - West Centre

In Coimbatore, the harvest of the second Nunjah crops under the Amravatty and Bowany rivers had been

been commenced. Some lands had been ploughed and prepared for the cultivation of the early dry and wet crops. Tobacco and Wheat had been harvested -

In some of the Taluks of the Salem District, both the dry and wet grains were being cultivated and Sugar cane planted in a few localities. The standing wet and dry crops were generally in good condition, though in some places wet crops were withering from want of rain. The harvest of the different descriptions of grain had been nearly completed - Cotton was in a flourishing state. Indigo had been cut in the Salem Taluk.

Prices of grain had slightly fallen in this circle.

Fever and Cholera prevailed in these Districts, but the casualties were few -

West

No rain fell in these Districts, except

except a few slight showers in parts of Malabar.

In South Canara, the harvest of 2^d Rice crop had been completed. The cultivation of the 3rd wet crops was in progress.

In Malabar, the harvest of the year was over, and ploughing for the next season had been commenced, consequent upon the rain that had fallen in parts of the District.

Prices remained unchanged in Malabar, though they had risen to a certain extent in South Canara.

The Public health was on the whole good, though fever prevailed to some extent in parts of South Canara—

Statements

Statement of Cotton and Indigo cultivation, with their Market prices, for the month of March 1867 Fasli 1276.

Districts.		COTTON.				Market rate of cleaned cotton per candy of 500 lbs.	INDIGO.				Market rate per maund of 25 lbs.
		Fasli 1275.		Fasli 1276.			Fasli 1275.		Fasli 1276.		
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	
1 Ganjam ...	9032	18576	4131	8357	146	11	11	50	50	47	
2 Vizagapatam...	14690	32452	14839	46808	158	2546	12767	2442	13241	34	
3 Godavery...	20732	47458	24022	36827	152	455	1160	481	895	45	
4 Kistnah...	171938	248116	177670	249131	128	10828	18934	13130	24539	44	
5 Nellore...	34718	36969	36021	35203	181	13703	35123	17074	36866	47	
6 Cuddapah...	67303	77341	60175	72138	120404	25888	70205	12168	57105	50	
7 Bellary...	324185	339179	299104	296581	164	1059	1513	242	270	59	
8 Kurnool...	197146	217320	198474	203087	140	3710	13967	1895	6373	56	
9 Madras...	151	264	62	91	170	6525	14764	3164	12525	50	
10 North Arcot...	2491	5429	2126	8205	180	8075	14741	9783	13526	49	
11 South Arcot...	39242	80584	20148	46867	145	47423	88701	33392	71187	35	
12 Tanjore...	6380	7204	4284	5161	176	968	2044	585	1828	12	
13 Trichinopoly...	91486	720180	99424	129392	165	210	335	79	121	20	
14 Madura...	86518	135998	69699	116494	104	68	87	51	89	36	
15 Tinnevely...	216152	211542	246911	207898	165	358	249	413	308	31	
16 Coimbatore...	104785	107790	115629	117954	120	"	"	"	"	28	
17 Salem...	16116	25296	13421	19302	200	1059	3097	535	1288	41	
Total...	1402964	712678	1354166	1399436	"	122901	277698	96784	238171	"	

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Secretary

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The Secretary to Government,
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Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

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