Average Bazaar prices of Grain and Salt, per Madras Garce, and Rain Report of all the Districts of the Madras Presidency for the month of December 1867, *Fusly* 1277.

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.
		Fusly 1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.					
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.
Northern Section.	Ganjam	344	204	132	76	242	109	193	111	398	143	272	287	"	"	"	"	"
	Vizagapatam	361	185	152	71	199	94	245	86	287	123	291	275	"	"	"	"	"
	Godavery	375	182	174	82	213	106	181	89	355	108	245	236	0.16	4.17	0.50	1.40	1.56
	Kistna	458	285	213	131	232	189	201	147	318	153	263	262	0.46	0.52	1.33	0.18	0.62
	Nellore	439	364	214	170	290	217	260	189	411	226	268	259	1.93	1.50	1.78	0.50	1.43
Ceded Districts.	Cuddapah	631	494	293	232	365	262	332	246	565	240	360	323	0.20	1.15	0.50	"	0.22
	Bellary	810	461	363	198	367	202	318	185	581	227	490	440	"	"	"	"	"
	Kurnool	661	410	291	172	328	178	280	173	523	204	405	304	0.25	"	0.04	"	0.07
East Centre.	Madras	664	423	302	189	446	257	416	270	588	272	268	267	0.25	0.75	"	1.05	0.62
	North Arcot	608	380	258	175	418	273	357	256	558	233	236	244	2.30	0.30	1.10	"	0.40
	South Arcot	571	390	240	158	330	208	278	178	470	209	260	265	0.12	1.65	0.75	"	0.63
Cauvery.	Tanjore	526	297	253	138	360	173	301	182	532	226	254	247	0.43	0.17	3.45	0.40	1.13
	Trichinopoly	658	401	306	181	323	172	239	183	524	246	309	297	"	"	0.94	"	0.23
Southern Section.	Madura	576	378	313	218	379	228	306	232	688	268	283	244	0.25	2.50	"	"	0.58
	Tinnevelly	572	420	287	190	407	251	276	170	528	288	320	262	0.17	0.45	0.22	0.02	0.34
West Centre.	Coimbatore	585	468	325	220	478	277	362	237	636	306	363	335	"	"	"	0.06	0.01
	Salem	645	447	327	187	366	238	337	228	584	240	311	303	0.06	0.05	"	"	0.03
West	South Canara	524	284	192	130	"	"	316	213	446	219	252	252	"	"	"	"	"
	Malabar	419	380	217	175	"	"	249	238	431	230	310	295	"	0.50	0.07	"	0.14

REMARKS ON THE SEASON.

Northern Section. There had been a slight fall of rain in all the Districts Comprised within this Section except Ganjam and Vizagapatam.

In Ganjam the great Paddy crop had been cut and the Sugar Cane was ready for the Mill. Tobacco, Myore Ragi, Lamp Oil Seed, Cot

Horse gram and Green gram plants were in good Condition.

In Vizagapatam Paddy, Green and black gram, Cholam, and Bolendoo had been Cut. Chillies, Tobacco, Sweet potatoes and Cyra or late Raggy had been cultivated.

In the Godavery District, transplanted paddy was being Cut. The Gold except under reserved tanks had been abundant. The Jowara crop was coming to maturity and the Cargo crops were remarkably good. Cotton, Tobacco, and the late dry Crops were also flourishing. Tobacco was being planted on the Godavery Islands and Camp Bil seeds were being sown.

In the Kistna District, the rain fall though on the early had proved beneficial to the Cyra or the late Crops, Bajra and Paddy Jowara were being reaped. The staple Jowara was in ear. The

wet crops had been reaped. In some localities where the rain fall was scanty the crops had failed. Cotton and Indigo however were thriving.

In Nellore although the tanks had received but a small supply of water, it was feared, that unless there was a fall of rain, very shortly, the crops would generally perish. In parts of the District the Oil seed Crop and Jowara had suffered from blight. In Ongole, the Carolina Caddy had been flowering. Some Crops had been withering for want of rain in Gudur, Nellore and Kandgiri Talugs. Raggy & Korra had been reaped in parts of the District.

Prices were falling in Ganjam and the Godavery District stationary in Vizagapatam and the Kistna District rising in Nellore.

The Public health of the Circle suffered to a great extent from fever, ague and small pox. Cattle had suffered from disease in the Districts of Godavery, Kistna and Nellore

Nellore.

Ceded District. There was no rain in this Circle except in Kurnool where there was a slight fall.

In Cuddapah the season had been decidedly unfavorable for cultivation and there was hardly any supply of water in the Tanks. In parts of the District some Caddy, Jonna, Raggy &c had been harvested but the outturn was not quite half the usual average.

In parts of Bellary, Cumbum had been fading for want of rain, the Byrakoom Caddy had been sown and the Cumbum harvested, Jowar was being imported from the adjacent Districts & Cotton exported & Kumpta and the Coimbatore

In Kurnool Caddy, Bengal gram and wheat had been sown in a few localities & Caddy, Jolam, Jowar and Korra had been harvested

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in others. The dry crops had been withering in certain localities while in others they had suffered severely from blight.

Prices were rising slightly in these districts.

The public health of this Circle had suffered to a great extent from fever. Cattle disease was prevalent in Kurnool only.

East Centre. Very little rain had fallen in this circle during the months and the tanks had received little or no supply of water. In Madras the cultivation operations had come to a stand-still almost every where throughout the District. The standing crops in most localities had either perished or were perishing & in September they were so

dependent on wells or springs for irrigation.

In South Arcot, Cholera, Ragi and Indigo are dry land and Varagu Paddy and Chillies or wet land had been cultivated to a small extent under well irrigation and spring channels. Both the wet & dry crops had received a good start & were looking fairly well, but the rainfall during the months of October & November was deficient & the young crops suffered in some localities from want of moisture. Those crops which had the advantage of well irrigation were the best off.

In South Arcot the cultivators depend mainly on tanks for irrigation & the rainfall during October & November is looked upon as the most important. If the rainfall continued as few days more, the crops in the remaining portions of the district would also perish. The dry crops had been injured though not to the same extent as the wet and it was feared that the outturn of the farm would be considerably below what was at one time expected.

Prices were steadily rising in South Arcot, but remained stationary in the two other districts. Fodder & cattle fair, but cattle too expensive. Veterinary surgeon. Three men had been asked by the Collector to pay a professional visit to the Madras District.

Pasture was deficient.

Tavoy. The season in this circle was very unfavourable to the progress of agricultural operations owing to the heavy failure of rain. In Tavoye, the early planted paddy was safe but the later sorts were withering. In the irrigated tracts, the crops were reported to have suffered by failure. The paddy under hill tracts was looking well. The paddy crops were reported to have suffered by failure. In Tavoye, the crops had been severely damaged. The

the anticipated inadequate of the crop, combined with a growing demand from Madura, but in Tavoy they were only beginning to rise.

Public health was good. Cattle were suffering in Tavoy from want of water and pasture.

Southern District. There was a slight fall of rain in Mergui.

In Mergui, the standing wet and dry crops had been drooping in certain localities, while in others they had entirely perished. The district had suffered considerably from want of rain. Tavoy, Thaton, Rangoon

and Paddy were being har-
-vested in a few localities
but the yield was indifferent.
Cotton & Indigo plants did
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want of rain, but those under large tanks & well irrigation were in good condition. Paddy Cumboo, Raggy & other dry grains had been harvested more or less in all the Taluqs, but the produce was below the estimate. The Cotton & Indigo in Coimbatore were suffering from want of rain in the Salem Taluq.

Prices were nearly stationary throughout the month.

In the Coimbatore Collectorate the South West monsoon set in on the 8th instant, but the rain was not heavy enough to admit of sowing.

In Madura the second crop of Cholum had failed from want of rain.

In Malabar the second crop of Paddy was in the ground.

Rain had been wanting in this district, but the prospects of the second crop were generally good.

Statement of Cotton and Indigo cultivation, with their Market prices for the month of December 1867 *Fusly* 1277

Districts.		Cotton. Fusly 1276. Extent.	Cotton. Fusly 1276. Assessment.	Cotton. Fusly 1277. Extent.	Cotton. Fusly 1277. Assessment.	Market rate of cleaned Cotton per candy of 500 lbs.	Indigo. Fusly 1276. Extent.	Indigo. Fusly 1276. Assessment.	Indigo. Fusly 1277. Extent.	Indigo. Fusly 1277. Assessment.	Market rate of cake Indigo per maund of 25 lbs.
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Ganjam	6249	13123	6829	10840	115	50	50	20	46	50
2	Vizagapatam	20629	59354	16594	38808	116	2132	14405	3165	19061	34
3	Godavery...	18535	28479	6065	11002	91	148	220	224	425	42
4	Kistna	165011	227670	119870	279311	65	11292	22965	8247	14784	43
5	Nellore	32737	33039	28767	12859	100	16707	36073	30260	31275	43
6	Cuddapah...	56611	69536	55987	72823	80	11705	18453	14277	62276	60
7	Bellary	294404	296798	270772	395685	80	231	251	984	1851	57
8	Kurnool	183019	193765	250510	234403	77	1678	5782	7638	15669	56
9	Madras	61	104	17	25	80	1805	11680	4058	8693	50
10	North Arcot	3112	7[illegible]	2[illegible]	2[illegible]		8[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
11	South Arcot	18522	42919	17689	40748	121	24241	58825	29261	58471	33
12	Tanjore	4120	8247	2164	2401	125	310	1288	795	2523	23
13	Trichinopoly	88276	111838	62882	81294	76	28	28	28	31	18
14	Madura	63931	108970	39456	48887	110	47	52	42	67	40
15	Tinnevelly...	140128	182276	103264	162441	85	387	282	418	347	31
16	Coimbatore	104079	142820	92121	95038	93	-	-	-	-	25
17	Salem	12789	18994	15772	22682	177	514	1207	1052	2830	38
	Total ...	1223031	1429937	1048972	1485167		80911	210234	111484	273525	

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