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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 10th April 1868.

No. 233A. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd April 1868.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Bellary, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated —— No. 57 :—

1. With reference to your Telegram of 26th instant, I have the honor to forward translations of the reports received from the Tahsildars of Alur, Madacsera, and Hindupur, as to the state of the season in their talooks.

2. The Sub-Collector, Mr. Foster, is now making a tour through the two latter talooks, and the Deputy Collector is at Alur. I am inclined to defer any action till their reports are received. I annex a memorandum showing the prices of grain in the three talooks under consideration during the first fortnight of this month, and until there is a considerable rise it is difficult to believe in any actual distress amongst the able-bodied poor. I have just returned from a three weeks' tour through the Gooty, Tadpatry, and Anantapur talooks. The western villages in the Gooty talook were reported to me as having suffered considerably, but I found, on personal enquiry, that there was no labor available for special works. After the Hingari crops were got in, a few laborers went to the Railway works in the vicinity, but the heads of villages and principal inhabitants distinctly told me that no more hands could be spared. They seem confident that sufficient rain will fall in the course of the next fortnight or three weeks to enable them to commence ploughing. Matters may be different in the Hindupur, Madacsera, and Alur talooks, but I think the reports of the Division Officers may be waited for with safety. I believe the reports of the Tahsildars to be considerably exaggerated; that from Madacsera contradicts itself, and the statements contained in all are inconsistent with the state of the market.

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1. Submitted for the information of Government.

2. The Government will observe that the Deputy Collector is at Alur, and the Sub-Collector making a tour in Madacsera and Hindupur.

3. The Board were under the impression, from Mr. Sullivan's former letter, that he was himself about to visit Alur. They now think that, with the very unfavorable report now submitted before him, he would have exercised a wise discretion had he visited the two other talooks himself, instead of deputing his Sub-Collector to do so.

4. The Board request that the Collector will forward a weekly report of the state of the district and the condition of the people. It is obvious that should any failure of rain occur in June, serious consequences must be looked for.

No. 233B. MINUTE BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT.

With a view to the unhappy experience of the year 1866 in Bellary, and to the generous views for the relief of the people repeatedly expressed by the Secretary of State in various forms, I think it would be desirable to address the following telegram to the Collector of Bellary:—

"Should the results of Mr. Foster's inspection of the Hindupur and Madacsera "talooks and of your inspection of the Alur talook be unsatisfactory, you will lose "no time in making provision for the employment and relief of the people, at your "discretion. Name the sum which, in your opinion, may be required. State whether "you require any special personal assistance. Send weekly telegraphic reports. "Take into early consideration relief measures which may be necessary in case of "delay or failure of south-western monsoon."

(Signed) NAPIER.

8*th April* 1868.

No. 233C. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE H. D. PHILLIPS.

As I read the Collector's letter, it does not indicate an intention of personally visiting the Alur division. He has been for three weeks in three other divisions. This telegram will now put him in movement over Alur, and thus carry out Mr. Arbuthnot's suggestion. Personally, I think the Collector has been doing his work in a proper manner, and I do not believe he will be found wanting should a crisis occur; but the telegram can be despatched, as it urges him in the right direction.

(Signed) H. D. PHILLIPS.

8*th April* 1868.

No. 233D. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE A. J. ARBUTHNOT.

1. I concur in the two last sentences of the telegram proposed by His Excellency the Governor, but I question the expediency, under the circumstances, of sending the earlier part of it. I cannot help fearing that the telegram as it stands, coupled with what I must designate as the unreasonable orders passed by the Board of Revenue on the last letter received from the Collector, in which orders they censure Mr. Sullivan for not having proceeded in person to two talooks to which he had deputed the Sub-Collector, and which I believe form a part of that Officer's charge, while they had before them a statement of the Collector's intention to proceed immediately to another talook, in the principal division from which the accounts were also unfavorable, is calculated to induce precipitancy, and what may prove to be the premature adoption of relief measures on the part of the Revenue Officers of the Bellary District.

2. It is manifest from Mr. Sullivan's letter of the 26th ultimo, that he is fully sensible of the importance of prompt action, should a necessity arise.

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10*th April* 1868.

3. I would venture to submit, for the consideration of His Excellency, the following telegram:—

"Send weekly telegraphic reports on condition of those talooks in which there may be reason to apprehend distress, furnishing the fullest information obtainable as to estimated supplies of food. Take into early consideration relief measures which may be necessary in case of delay or failure of south-west monsoon. The Government presume that you are personally and carefully inspecting Allur talook."

If however His Excellency, on full consideration, desires to adhere to the telegram proposed in his Minute, I defer to his judgment.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT.

8*th April* 1868.

No. 233E. ORDER THEREON, 10th April 1868, No. 958A.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered that the following telegram be despatched to the Collector of Bellary:—

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(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

No. 2,435A.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 2nd April 1868.

Read the following letter from H. E. SULLIVAN, Esq., Collector of Bellary, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 30th March 1868, No. 57:—

1. With reference to your telegram of 26th instant, I have the honour to forward translations of the reports received from the Tahsildars of Alur, Madacserah, and Hindupur, as to the state of the season in their talooks.

2. The Sub-Collector, Mr. Foster, is now making a tour through the two latter talooks, and the Deputy Collector is at Alur. I am inclined to defer any action till their reports are received. I annex a Memorandum showing the prices of grain in the three talooks under consideration during the first fortnight of this month, and until there is a considerable rise it is difficult to believe in any actual distress amongst the able-bodied poor. I have just returned from a three weeks tour through the Gooty, Tadpatry, and Anantapur Talooks. The western villages in the Gooty Talook were reported to me as having suffered considerably, but I found on personal inquiry that there was no labour available for special works. After the Hingari crops were got in, a few labourers went to the Railway works in the vicinity, but the heads of villages and the principal inhabitants distinctly told me that no more hands could be spared. They seem confident that sufficient rain will fall in the course of the next fortnight or three weeks, to enable them to commence ploughing. Matters may be different in the Hindupur, Madacserah, and Alur Talooks, but I think the reports of the Division Officers may be waited for with safety. I believe the reports of the Tahsildars to be considerably exaggerated; that from the Madacserah contradicts itself, and the statement contained in all are inconsistent with the state of the market.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ARZI No. 9, dated 28th January 1868, from the Tahsildar of Alur, to the Collector of Bellary.

1. I beg to reply to your Circular Order, No. 1, dated 15th instant, calling for a report on the state and prospects of the season.

2. The ryots' holdings for Fusly 1277 up to December last amounted to 3,40,234 Acres, Circar and Inam inclusive, of which 3,39,147 are dry, and the rest wet. Of this acreage, 1,34,524 Acres were cultivated with Cotton, and 2,05,710 with grain, *i. e.*, Acres 66,865 with Yellow Cholum, Sujja, &c., for the Moongari or the earlier crop, and Acres 1,38,485 were cultivated with Yellow Cholum, &c., for the later crop. Directly I took charge of the talook, I learnt that the earlier crop was a failure, owing to the insufficiency of the south-west monsoon, and that the produce in many villages was partial, being half in some, and one-third in others. And as to the later crop, having personally inspected the state of the crops in several villages, I reported in my Arzi, No. 1, to you, that one or two showers of rain of the late monsoon having been withheld, the yield would be very partial, and in some cases loss of produce would result, and requested that orders might be given for Ajmaish, and when Deputy Collector Iyaloo Naidu Guru had come for settling compensation for lands taken up for Railway purposes to Asperi, where he remained for ten days, (from the 9th January to 19th,) he inspected the crops of the villages of Joharapuram, Molagavully, and Aspery, and observing that there would be a loss of produce, gave orders in his Takeed, No. 14, for Ajmaish

being made. Since then I have made a tour of thirty or forty villages, and the following are the particulars of the yield as far as I have been able to ascertain:—

	Seers.
Of lands cultivated with grain.	
The produce of the 66,865 Acres, which were cultivated for the Moongari, and whose average yield was one-half, amounts to, at 70 Seers per acre	46,80,550
That of the 1,38,485 Acres which were cultivated for the Hingari, and whose average yield was one-third, amounts to...	69,24,250
Of the wet acreage of which under tanks are 109 Acres ... ... under channels are 23 Acres ... ... under wells are 228 Acres... ... ... at 300 seers per acre, amounts to	1,08,000
Total... ...	117,12,800

or about 2,440 garces.

There are 50,688 adults and 23,198 children in the talook: distributing the above produce at one seer per adult, and half seer per child per diem, it would last for about five months. Up to date the poor appear to have subsisted on the Moongari produce. And as the later crop was a failure, I apprehend that the poorer classes will be greatly pressed for food, until the next Moongari yield comes to hand. Had the later crop been a good one, they should have no difficulty in finding employment. But as it is, I fear they shall not be able to get any, and will therefore find it hard to subsist.

3. As yet there has been no distress among the poor, as until lately they had enough of occupation in harvesting the Moongari crop, and the Railway works in progress in this talook. But I hear these works are nearly brought to a close. The Raichore road is in progress, and though the Hinjari crop may not afford employment for two months on any large scale, still no very great difficulty, it is hoped, will be felt for these two months.

4. In the eight villages marginally noted, there has been little or no rain during the last ten years, and the inhabitants have been reduced to great distress. A large portion of the demand of these villages for Fusly 1275 is in arrears. I have inspected those villages as directed in your Circular, Takeed No. 31 of 1867, and finding that they are unable to pay the arrear demand of Fuslies 1275 and 1276, have resolved upon recommending total remission in some cases, and one-half remission in others. The villages of Halhurvy, Banpuram, Nitravutta, &c., also falling under the same class, I have adopted the same plan in regard to them, and I shall soon submit a statement in regard to the same.

1 Goollien.
1 Basaracode.
1 Chickahudgully.
1 Herehudgully.
1 Junganarahosahully.
1 Pacharahully.
1 Siddapuram.
1 Ammathapuram.

5. The Hinjari crops in some villages appear to have been good. But in the villages marginally noted, when the crops were still standing on the fields, the great hail-storm which passed over them on the 29th and 30th March having destroyed them in a great measure, remission for the same was recommended by the late Tahsildar, and on further information being called for, the same has been sent to the Deputy Collector's office.

1 Goommanoor.
1 Bavinhal.
1 Sudurhall.
1 Khajapoor.
1 Chintacoontah.
1 Sirgapuram.
1 Kokkarachudoo.
1 Dhegalahall.

6. The famine of Fusly 1275 had reduced the ryots to almost hopeless poverty, and though Fusly 1276 was a better year, it was not good enough to restore them to their former condition. The present Fusly, as already stated, is not a good one. The consequence is that the ryots are utterly unable to pay their kists, and are in a very miserable condition. This is wholly a regad or black-soil talook, and therefore entirely dependent on rain. Its failure is the sole cause of its present depressed condition.

7. Owing to a succession of bad seasons no grain is exported from the talook except in very small quantities, not worthy of being taken into account, by such poor ryots, who, in order to pay their kists, take their little grain to Bellary or Adoni, where it sells at a slightly higher rate. Grain is imported from Kurnool and Raichoor, and other parts of the Nizam's dominions.

8. There are no large tanks, wells or nullahs, in this talook. There are seventeen small tanks, and even these did not receive a full supply of water this year. Some received one-half, others one-fourth, and some few one-eighth the usual supply. There has not been much wet cultivation in consequence; I have appended a statement showing particulars of cultivation under tanks. The Kuravully tank has received one-eighth its usual supply, and under it Acres 29-16-11, assessed at Rupees 174-1-2, have been cultivated with Paddy. The supply in the tank has been exhausted, and I fear the crops will soon die. I have requested orders for Ajmaish being made both for this land and for dry lands in my Arzi No. 4 of 1868, and beg your early instructions on the subject, as no reply has been yet received.

9. You know there are no wells fit for irrigation in this talook. The few there are just suffice for domestic purposes. In the ten or twelve villages situated to the south of the Kusbah station, *i. e.*, Goommanoor, &c., great difficulty is felt for water for both man and beast. Each village has but one or two wells, and the water is brackish, and not fit for drinking, and even this water is scarce; and as for drinkable water, the villagers go to jungle streams situated a mile and in some cases a mile and a half away from their villages, there scoop out holes to the depth in some cases of four yards, and bale in shells the little water to be had into their pots. The same difficulty seems to be experienced in twenty of the villages situated to the west of the Kusbah. In the remaining villages, particularly in those marginally noted, this difficulty is not felt.

1 Alur.
1 Coorcovully.
1 Arakara.
1 Billapall.
8 Villages (Goolliem and seven others)
1 Hollalagoondi.
1 Chintacoonta.
1 Moogamangoondy.
1 Naraneky.
1 Virpapooram.
1 Nuncherla.
1 Timmapuram.
1 Huttybalagal.
1 Herahotoor.
1 Tharadygooddum.
1 Mooddanagara.
1 Hoolebedoo.
1 Gonahall.
1 Chickahotoor.
1 Nagaroor.
1 Teorvagul.
1 Koorookoondy.
1 Habetta.

10. The prices of grain have risen for some time past, and are now as follows:—

White Cholum, from 24 to 26 seers per Rupee.	
Yellow Cholum	30 seers per Rupee.
Sujjaloo	24—26 do.
Korra	32
First sort Rice	8 do.
Second do.	9 do.

It does not seem to me that they will remain stationary; probably they will rise.

11. I have stated above, that my estimate of the average yield per acre of the Hinjari crop is one-third. But during the last two or three days the sky was cloudy and there was slight drizzling, which is very unfavourable to the crops. The people dread that if this were to continue for a week more it will result in a total loss of produce. This day the sky is clear, and if it should continue to remain so, the poor will not be in need of employment until the end of May. They will not be able to get any in April and May. If the Moongaree rains fall in June, they will then have employment in agricultural operations which will begin at the time, or they can sell grass and find means of living. But if these rains fail, famine will ensue. At present there are no signs of distress.

12. On the whole, as employment is slack in the months of April and May, I think it would be well for the poorer classes if Government find for them some occupation, and beg that they may do so.

(Signed) SHAMA ROW,
Tahsildar.

(True translation.)

(Signed) H. E. SULLIVAN,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE 1 in No. 1.

Memorandum of Cultivation under tanks in the Talook of Alur in Fusly 1277.

Names of Villages.	Tanks.	AYACUT.				CULTIVATION FOR FUSLY 1277.					
		CIRCAR.		INAM.		CIRCAR.				INAM.	
		Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment and Teerva-jasti.	Fasaljasti.	Total.	Acres.	Assessment
19. Hollalagoondy	Aladakerri	13	37	5	17	7	19	.....	19	3	9
28. Yellarty	Vooroochervu...	17	103	14	82	6	36	.....	36	.....	.....
31. Mugamangondy	Dassavundumchervu ...	11	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
37. Hirehaty	Vooroochervu	3	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
39. Neraniky	Do. ...	19	81	7	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Hennachervu...	5	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....
41. Virupapurum	Gungummahchervu ...	72	433	2	12	27	164	.....	164	1	7
44. Kooroovully...	Vooroochervu...	43	247	.....	.....	29	174	.....	174	.....	.....
45. Arikera	Do. ...	66	314	22	75	2	7	.....	7	.....	.....
	Hanoomuntappukoontu...	4	7	.....	.....	4	7	.....	7	.....	.....
58. Timmapoor	Vooroochervu...	31	133	10	44	21	89	.....	89	5	22
63. Alur	Do. ...	116	693	13	38	5	32	8	40	.....	.....
64. Hotoor...	Dassavundumchervu ...	20	86	.....	.....	.....	.....	... ..	.....	.....	.....
67. Muddanakaira	Govindareddichervu ...	2	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Madivalappakoonta ...	4	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
82. Toorvagul	Karavundluchervu... ...	3	18	.....	.....	3	18	.....	18	.....	.....
	Siddareddikoonta	5	17	...	.....	4	13	.....	13	.....	.....
	Total...	434	2,284	73	297	108	559	8	567	9	38

(Signed) P. SHAMA ROW,
Tahsildar.

(True translation.)

(Signed) H. E. SULLIVAN,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

Report of the Tahsildar of Hindupur on the state and prospects of the season in his talook, dated 3rd February 1868, *No.* 4.

1. Owing to the absence of timely rains, the yield of the crops has been scanty.

	Extent of cultivation.	Produce.
Dry.....	47,200 Acres	23,60,000, at 50 seers per Acre.
Wet.....	14,270 Acres	71,35,000 at 500 seers per Acre.

2. The price of grain during the last month has been more or less stationary, but it is likely to rise from the end of this month (February.)

3. Grain is being imported into the talook from Kurnool, Papalee, Tadpatry, &c., none is exported. Dholl, Raggy, Rice, Oil-seeds, Jaggery, &c., are imported from these places.

4. The poor already find they want employment, as owing to the failure of rains there has been but little cultivation for the Vysack crop, and consequently the work they usually get in agricultural operations they do not now find. They will, it is feared, be in great difficulty if not otherwise provided for, or if the season should not improve.

5. The supply in wells used for irrigation purposes is deficient. Nevertheless the crops under them are in pretty good condition.

6. The Reddy of the village of Kondapur has reported in person that the inhabitants of Kondapur, Mullala, Varonavoloo, Gangapully, Amoogondapalliem, and Goranla, are in much distress, and that the Boya caste people of the first three villages are subsisting on what are called "Devadaree" leaves, &c.

7. It appears from what the people say of the state of the season, from the distress already experienced by some of the lower classes, and from the scarcity of water felt by both man and beast, that famine will commence from this month and terminate in June next.

8. There are 225 tanks and Coontahs in the talook, of which

3	have received full supply.
4	do. three-fourths do.
17	do. one-half do.
48	do. one-fourth do.
109	do. less than a fourth.

(In some only a few days supply.)

44 None.

The Purghi tank has just three months' supply.

The water in other tanks will do just for Cattle.

The subjoined Statement exhibits the particulars of cultivation, &c., under the principal tanks.

Number.	Names of Villages.	AYACUT.		CULTIVATION.			
		Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	2nd crop assessment.	Total.
35	Kodilully	259	1,100	235	999	22	1,021
43	Cholasamudrum	258	570	85	246	7	253
		517	1,670	320	1,245	29	1,274
37	Sirivarum	233	1,295	150	844	87	931
44	Manapully	220	1,332	189	1,143	77	1,220
		453	2,627	339	1,987	164	2,151

Number.	Names of Villages.	Ayacut.		Cultivation.			
		Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	2nd crop assessment.	Total.
61	Katnoor	627	3,947	459	2,893	26	2,919
60	Malapuram	333	1,516	200	926	17	943
56	Samacotah	255	1,417	199	1,112	48	1,160
		1,215	6,880	858	4,931	91	5,022
68	Purghi	684	3,280	610	3,091	144	3,235
70	Nursapuram	483	1,797	418	1,562	20	1,582
71	Pidaitee	461	1,691	334	1,310	21	1,331
72	Siracolum	434	1,934	424	1,858	10	1,868
73	Vitapully	117	454	89	362	.....	362
		2,179	9,156	1,875	8,183	195	8,378
74	Ootoraco	437	1,873	239	960	26	986
76	Beechaganpully	379	1,664	184	743	42	785
		816	3,537	423	1,703	68	1,771

(Signed) RUNGIAH NAIDU,
Tahsildar.

(True translation.)

(Signed) H. E. SULLIVAN.
Collector.

Enclosure No. 3.

Madaksirah Tahsildar's report on the state and prospects of the season in his talook, dated 31st January 1868, No. 4.

1. The cultivation up to September last was 21,735 Acres of the dry, and 6,023 of the wet ayacut. In the month of October, some good showers having been received and the hopes of the people having been raised, considerable efforts were made to extend the cultivation, and a large acreage was sown with horse-gram. But the rains being all on a sudden withheld, in some places no seeds germinated, in others the yield was extremely partial, being just one-eighth. The earlier crop *i. e.*, the Vysack crop yielded only one-fourth. The supply in tanks and nullahs and wells is small, owing to the scantiness of rain last year, and the almost total absence of it this year. Unless the early rains fall in time, the Vysack crops which are just being sown will be a failure. The produce of the year under review has been as follows:—

Seers
15,86,750 of dry produce.
11,91,400 wet produce.
The population of the Talook is,

Adults	Children	Total.
40,380	20,212	60,592.

2. If, therefore, the produce is distributed on the population at three-quarter seers each adult, and quarter seer each child per diem, which would amount to 10,60,140 seers per mensem, it will suffice for 2½ months. But as the Vysack crop harvest of the past year was good, and as there has been a large importation from Chittledrug, Hurryhur, and other parts of Mysore, the people do not much dread any occurrence of famine. The prices of grain have not risen, but yet are high, and in consequence press greatly on the lower classes. The condition of the talook on the whole is worse than in the previous year. Prices may probably rise. There are 16,276 laborers in this talook. These had work till lately in agricultural operations. They have no means of living now. Only about 100 men are employed on the roads now in progress. The distress is most severely felt by the Mussulmen, Madiga, and Mala caste people. The signs of famine are but too well visible. Immediate steps should be taken to relieve the poorer classes.

3. The enclosed are the statements required of cultivation, &c.

(Signed) DASAI RAMA ROW,
Tahsildar.

(True translation.)

(Signed) H. E. SULLIVAN,
Collector.

Enclosure 1 in No. 3.

Ayacut and Cultivation under the principal tanks in the Talook of Madaksirah, for Fusly 1277.

Number.	Names of Villages.	Tanks.	Ayacut.		Cultivation.				
			Acres.	Assessment.	Acres	Assessment.	Teervah-jasty.	Fasal jasty.	Total.
1	Madaksirah ..	Tank	506	2,543	377	2,034	26	585	2,645
2	Haraisamudrum.	Do.	799	4,002	398	1,980	115	244	2,339
14	Elloty	Do.	137	582	83	337	18	32	387
16	Kodiganahalli ...	Do.	286	1,112	187	763	17	78	858
17	Kulloomary ...	Do.	279	875	170	423	10	8	441
18	Manoor	Do.	301	1,159	208	786	9	139	934
30	Amarapuram ...	Large tank ...	886	5,199	336	2,310	10	515	2,835
32	Valasi	Tank in the hamlet of Verupasamudrum.	330	1,160	165	660	24	107	791
33	Halakoor ...	Doddaghuttuchuru.	170	576	97	429	5	29	463
35	Kanajanahully..	Tank in the hamlet of Chatoor.	234	921	129	442	75	5	522
37	Hamavaty ...	Henjary Cheru.	188	1,104	41	200	22	23	245
		Ooravaram Cheru.	82	509	95	461	93	.....	554*
38	Morubagaloo ...	Tank	1,428	5,450	397	2,018	47	65	2,130
40	Niddrughuttu ..	Do.	253	1,243	172	770	.....	.....	770
54	Madhoodi	Large Tank ..	348	1,617	118	497	17	29	543
67	Rallah	Tank	166	943	150	773	22	128	923
95	Angali	Do.	749	4,029	475	3,022	.....	758	3,780
110	Illagaloor ...	Do.	276	1,152	170	751	87	14	852
130	Sivaram	Do.	622	2,874	432	2,237	79	215	2,531
141	Kakee	Do.	223	1,085	151	851	.....	141	992
			8,263	38,135	4,351	21,744	676	3,115	25,535

* Owing to dry converted into wet.

Considering the scanty supply of water in tanks, the cultivated area is much larger than could be expected owing to a portion of wet land being cultivated with dry crops, and to other wet crops being raised from nullahs and wells.

(Signed) D. RAMA ROW,
Tahsildar.

(True translation.)

(Signed) H. E. SULLIVAN,
Collector.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with three original enclosures to be returned.

Copy to the Collector of Bellary.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

No.

1868. Department.

Dated 2nd April 1868.

Received

Submitting, for information of Government, reports from Collector of Bellary, regarding state of season in certain talooks.

No. 2,435.

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+ Vide treated as a minute Work

Forwarded to the Honorable Mr. Phillips for orders, as it is not certain, whether that gentleman intended that his remarks should be treated as a Minute.

Revenue Secretariat,
17th April 1868.
DMMax

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My dear Huddleston.

This, w^h should have
gone to you has come
to me. I have in
order not to lose any
time sent out the
Telegram in y^r name - as his
Lordship has not-

been convinced by
the Minute recorded
by Archbishop.
I hope you will abstain
from sending it the
Telegram - as I am
a little shaking

Carlyon
20th April

Dear Archbishop

With reference
to those papers which
you kindly sent back
to me yesterday

I
am glad that I have
been able to send
them to you.
You were right, and



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
MADRAS.

P

Minute by His Excellency the President.

With a view to the unhappy occurrences
of the year 1866. in Bellary and to
the generous views for the relief
of the people repeatedly enjoined
by the Secretary of State in various
forms I think it would be
desirable to address the
following Telegram to the
Collector of Bellary.—

"Should the results of Mr.
"Foster's inspection of the Hindupur
"and Madakserah Talooks

"and of your intention of the Akola
"District to institute such relief measures
"as may be necessary in case of delay or
"failure of South Western Monsoon.

Napier

April 8th 1868.

W. Phil

As I read the Collectors letter, it does not indicate an intention of personally visiting the Akola division. He has been for three weeks in three other divisions. Meanwhile telegram will now put him in movement over Akola & thus carry out Mr Cadell's wishes expeditiously. Personally I think the Collector has been doing his work in a proper manner and I do not believe he would be found wanting should a crisis occur. But the telegram can be despatched at any hour in the night if necessary.

W.P.

Limiti

I cannot in the two last
sections of the Telegram
proposed by this Amendment
see Power, but I question
the expediency under the
circumstances of inserting
the earlier part of it. I
cannot help fearing that
the Telegram as it stands
coupled with that
last designation as the
necessarily orders
passed by the Board of
Revenue as the last determ
mined upon the Collectors
in which [illegible] orders
become the Subscriber

I must venture to solicit for the consideration of his Excellency the following telegram

Send forthwith the appointment of two Labourers in the room of Mr. Jones who has received appointment of Inspector of Police, Magistrate & Commissioner of Crown Lands at Port. Take with you instructions which may be necessary in case of delay or failure of both Lord Lawson. Use your utmost diligence, for we are personally and carefully interesting Labour Interests. If however this Excellency

for not having proceeded in person to Two Harbours to which he had appointed the Collectors and Mr. I think from a part of that Officers change, which they have been a Stationary of the Collectors in that it proceed immediately to another Harbour in the principal division from which the accounts may be transmitted, in calculation to this principle & that may [illegible] adoption of which [illegible] on the part of the Revenue Officers of this Colony &c.

It is manifest from the Collectors letter of the 26th October that he is fully sensible of the importance of prompt action, should a necessity arise

as full and distinct as to enable the Board to give their judgment in this matter, I beg to give my judgment.

C. J. Cumberlege

8th April 68

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

dated 2nd April 1868.

Read the following.

No 57.

From

H. E. Sullivan Esquire

Collector of

Bellary

To R. A. Dalyell Esquire,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your Telegram of 26th Instant, I have the honor to forward translations of the reports received from the Tashildars of Alur, Madaceserah, and Hindopur, as to the state of the season in their Taliegs.

2 The Sub Collector Mr. Foster is now making a tour through the two latter Taliegs and the Deputy Collector is at Alur. I am inclined to defer any action, till their reports are received. I annex a Memo showing the prices of grain in the three Taliegs under Consideration during the first fortnight of this month, and until there is a considerable rise it is difficult to believe

believe in any actual distress amongst the able-bodied poor. I have just returned from a 3 weeks tour through the Gooty, Tadpatry, and Anantapur Taluqs. The Western villages in the Gooty Taluq were reported to me as having sufferred considerably, but I found on personal enquiry that there was no labour available for special works. After the Hingari crops were got in, a few laborers went to the Railway works in the vicinity, but the heads of villages and principal inhabitants distinctly told me that no more hands could be spared. They seem confident that sufficient rain will fall in the course of the next fortnight or three weeks to enable them to commence ploughing. Matters may be different in the Hindupur, Madaceserah and Alur Taluqs, but I think the reports of the Division Officers may be waited for with safety. I believe the reports of the Tashildars to be considerably exaggerated, that from Madaceserah contradicts itself, & the statements contained in all are inconsistent with the state of the Market.

I have &c.

(Signed) H. E. Sullivan
Collector

	Rice	Ragi	Cholam
	Seers per Rupee.		
Madaceserah	12	23	23
Alur	9 1/2	.	26
Hindupur	11	24	24

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(A True Copy & Extract)

J Bakewell
Secretary

To
The Secretary to
Government
Revenue Depart.
with 3 Enclosures

30 March 68 No 527/46

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Board of Revenue

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3 Returned the Board 12/5/68.

Submitting for information of Govt reports from Collector of Bellary regarding state of season in certain Talugs.

No 908 A 10 April

No 958. A

Brought that the following Telegram dispatched by the Collr of Bellary —

"Should the results of Mr
"Foster's inspection of the Hindupur and
"Madakserah Taluks and of your
"inspection of the Alur Taluk be un-
"satisfactory you will lose no time
"in making provision for the employ-
"ment and relief of the people, at
"your discretion — Name the sum
"which in your opinion may be re-
"quired — State whether you require
"any special personal assistance —
"Send weekly telegraphic reports —
"Take into early consideration relief mea-
"sures which may be necessary in case
"of delay or failure of South Western
"Monsoon" —

10 April 68. 114 To the Board of Rev 21 April