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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1369	Press Mis.
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Dated 17th May 1869	

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Madras 14th April 1869.

No. 28

From

The Agent and Manager

M. Irr. & C. Co.

To

The Consulting Engineer

Irr. & Canal Co.

Sir,

I referred your letter No. 259 of the 29th January / suggesting that Rights should be given to Rly Co. of the Area which we should be able to irrigate in the approaching season / to Mr. Latham who was too much occupied previous to his going on leave to advise the subject.

Mr. Prodow has however written to me and concerns in a proposal which I had for some time had under consideration for the Lower Divisions - especially the Nandanam Valley - of the Valley - and that they will be permitted to do it at their own risk free of charge for one season, and I should be glad to know whether the Government see any objection to this course. Taking out

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I am inclined to think that if the Government see fit to adopt the suggestion which I made in my letter of the 5th Instant No 5 of directing the local authorities to organise the general distribution of the waters more like to be obtained at an early date

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Servt
H. Hartley Winslow

Asst Land Inspector

N.o 9.

Submitted to Government in continuation of this office N.o 4 dated 8.th instant a copy of the letter N.o 259 of the 29.th January last to the Agent is also enclosed.

2. The undersigned does not see any objection to the adoption of the arrangement proposed by the Agent, experimentally for one season, in all the country below the 72.nd mile (Mittacondal cutting) of the Canal, but he does not think that it would be applicable to the Upper Divisions in which there was water last year for a considera-

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed.t Sv.t
H. Harkness Watson
Agent Land Revenue

From

The Assistant Manager
M. I. & C. Co.

To The Cons. Engineer
M. I. & C. Co.

Dated 14 } April/69
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No. 28.

Replying to No. 259 regarding the Area to be Irrigated in the approaching Season.

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From Regts
The Agent & Manager
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To The Consulting Engr
Rs A & C 6
Rec = 1161/69.
Dated 5
Rec'd 6 April/69.
~~1161/69.~~
~~1154/69.~~

Remaining only Rs 75
of 9th March/69 leaving
it to the Company to decide
between continuing the pre-
sent rate of Rs 6 per acre
and reducing it to Rs 4 and
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Pass 7th May/69 Rs 4a 374

10. It is to be regretted that the question of revising the Water Rate has been agitated — once raise hopes of a reduction & the Ryots will naturally hang back as long as they can & force the remedy — Nothing is so inimical to the collection of Revenue in whatever shape, as change and vacillation, and it would be extremely bad policy to exhibit any vacillation upon a question which has received so much consideration as that of our Water Rate, and which the best judges have decided upon the soundest grounds. If it could be shewn that any Ryots have the desire to commute their Cultivation, read Jack the means for providing the preliminary outlay, it might be worthy of consideration whether some facilities and might not be extended to them in the way of remission, but unless such a desire and demand has become strong it is improbable that any such will be found —

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alternative that the Government in order to facilitate the distribution shall undertake to execute the minor works at the Company's expense —

The Rule which forbids the Company to deal with the Ryots seems to make the former alternative impracticable — for before the minor works can be made the Village authorities, and indeed the Village populations must be consulted — and besides after the Company's Officers have determined upon the Lands the water is to be delivered a question of applying for the necessary portions of the Land needed for Channels —

It appears to me that all these difficulties will be obviated if the Government will be pleased to accept the latter alternative, & direct that without loss of time arrangements may be made by the Local authorities for organising the general distribution of the water

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to be a mercantile speculation
& becomes a great National
work - An instrument in the hands
of Government for the welfare
of the people - An instrument
which Government will create if
neglect and
not undertake but will protect
its Officers to attend with care
and deliberation & judgment to all
will be for the Government to de-
termine how it can be done
& with the experience already gained
in the Deccan to be compared by Govern-
ment Works there can be a
difficulty & nor need there be any
delay in pressing the most judicious
orders.

9. In connection with this subject
I venture to urge upon Government
the importance of at once issuing
instructions to the Local Authorities
with reference to the Subsidiary
Channels -

Rule XII which declares that
the Company are bound to deliver
the water on the Land to be
irrigated, also provides the
alternative

will not flow in spontaneously
without the organisation of some
kind of Machinery to utilise the
results of Capital Expended -
7. By Imperial Establishment was
cancelled upon the representation
of the Board of Revenue that the
Company was not allowed to deal
with the Ryots & contracting the principle
of Jallow that the indispensable
Machinery must be supplied
elsewhere & therefore alternative
appears to be that the Government
should take the matter in
hand & supply what is needed
8. Now that we have succeeded
in delivering Toombuddra water
at Nellore, and have thus brought
the whole of the rich Valley
of the Nundiam under the influence
of our Canal, it is obvious that
no amount of Cold water thrown
upon the work by individual
proprietors can prevent it from
flourishing and assuming its
value and importance - it ceases

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and therefore applied for sanction for a very small Establishment which might enable me in some degree to check these evils, and to remove some of the impediments to the free use of the waters.

Sanction was granted and the Establishment constructed - but subsequently that sanction was cancelled, which was the cause of Personal inconvenience.

It is however obvious that some machinery must be provided - when the Madras Railway was first opened the Agent was not left to wait for a Traffic Revenue before he organised Traffic arrangements - Present Station Masters, Traffic Managers & their subordinates, & all the Machinery in operation on Railways could not be created - nor do I suppose that

[illegible] a rent for the water wheels fully within its value - The real value of the waters had been thoroughly discussed and assessed, and the Government itself in their order of June 1866 had declared that these [illegible] "rate proposed"

I deem there are other reasons for fluctuation upon the case of experiments of that wheels is a novelty to the Ryots - As suggested by the Revenue

[illegible] ing Drizes [illegible]

[illegible] wheels may have [illegible] of land which proved unfit for wet cultivation - the state of the market may have affected the experiment - but above all I believe that the most serious impediment to the development of the system is the absence of [illegible] for promoting it - when I was at Kurnool in August I found that intrigues, disputes and false information mischievously circulated had prevented or deterred some [illegible] from using the waters, and

[illegible] Fusli [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
June 1866 - that is a month before
the Commencement of Fusli 1276 - Mr.
over the question of raising the rate
was [illegible] under discussion and in
April March 1866 I suggested
to Government that public notice
should be given warning the Ryots
that the Rate of 1864 was liable
to modification -

5 I believe Mr Chase's assumption
to be wholly untenable - first because
it seems highly improbable that
Ryots who have gone to the expense
of preparing their Land for the
change from dry to wet cultivation

[illegible] which means further
expense as necessary to dry cultivation
incurred for the sake of saving
two Rupees per acre in the rate
or from any objection to pay

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The Agent & Manager
Jr. I & H. Co

To The Consulting Engr
Jr I & H Co
Rev = 1161/69.

Dated 5 & April/69
Rec'd 6 & April/69
~~No 44 3/69~~
No 5 3/69.

Remarking only C. No 754
of 9th March/69 leaving
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between continuing the pre-
sent rate of Rs 6 per acre
and reducing it to Rs 4 and
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Prov: 7 May/69 Ld Dr 376

The Agent and Manager M. I. & C. Co.

Sir

I have the honor to suggest that measures should be taken for notifying to all villages which have not hitherto had the opportunity of irrigating under the Company's Canal, but for which water will be available during the coming season, the areas which the Chief Engineer will be prepared to supply, and the date on which water can be given.

2 In addition to lands under the upper part of the 4th Section, for which it is to be hoped distribution Channels will be ready in good time, some land in the immediate neighbourhood of the ~~4th Section~~ in the lower part of that Section, and near those of the 5, 6, 7 and 9th Sections can no doubt, without difficulty be irrigated, and though the applications may, and probably will in the first year be very limited, it is of importance that

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that a commencement should be made in every village willing to take water.

3 I would also beg to point out that the Canal and large tanks in the 57th and 58th miles will afford a supply throughout the year, and that consequently a considerable area of sugar cane cultivation would be practicable. It would be worth while under these circumstances to point out, to the villages commanded, that such is the case, with a view to inducing those ryots who understand that cultivation to make a beginning next season.

I have &c.

(Sd) John Mullins Captain R.E.
Consulting Engineer I.V.C.Co.

(True Copy)

John Mullins
Captain R.E.
Consulting Engineer I.V.C.Co.

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country. In this class the Government Farm at Madras was represented, and won the first prize. The six rams exhibited, I am glad to say, are to remain in the district. Two of them are to be given to the Rajah of Venkatagerri, two to the Zemindar of Sundi, and two are to remain in Nellore for the present. They will have to be carefully fed for the next two years. If they are then found to be suited to the climate, that they will then be of great use there can be no doubt. All that is necessary will be to use discretion and cross so as to meet the differences of temperature, and yet retain, as far as possible, the advantages of the stock the rams come from.

6. It is, I believe, doubted by some, whether it is worth while giving prizes for goats. There is, however, in a tropical country, much pasturage that can only be utilised by such animals; and from the report of the Committee, the Board will see that the breed can be improved.

7. The fine tope in which the Show was held, has been well filled on this occasion. Including working cattle there were 287 heads of horned stock exhibited, 93 country ponies, 46 rams, a flock of sheep, and 28 goats. And whether as regards the advantages to be obtained by affording those who came to the Show, an opportunity of comparing the stock from different parts of the districts with the stock that they are familiar with, or the direct advantages that must necessarily result from the increased care given to the stock exhibited, there can I think be but one opinion, that the public money given away in prizes was well given, and the time and attention which the Officers of Government had devoted to making the requisite preparations, though a cause of individual inconvenience, had been to the community, an unquestionable gain.

8. The classes combined under the head of agricultural produce, saltpetre, and salt, it will be seen from the report, were well represented.

9. In indigo the effect of this Show in setting the district right in the Madras market, will, I trust, be marked.

10. In 1865, the Chamber of Commerce were good enough, at the request of the Board, to furnish me with remarks on the points to be considered in judging indigo. In these remarks we figure as follows:—

"4. Close red, and reddish copper (Nellore District), "low."
"5. Pale specky, impure, (Nellore District.)
"8. Rank copper (Nellore);

the district being credited, it will be seen, by the Madras world as raising nothing but "reddish copper." "pale and specky" or "rank copper." But in reality the district raises much that has been described at the present Show by Mr. A. M. Simpson one of the best judges in the Presidency, as almost equal to first quality Cuddapah. And if we succeed in convincing Madras Merchants that our indigo is not so bad as they think, our ryots who grow it, and the merchants who export it, will be saved the necessity of sending it across the Yellagondlas into Cuddapah; and the district and the trade will be saved the loss of labor and morality arising from the ignorance that prevails on the subject, and the immediate vicinity of a neighbour with a better reputation.

11. In the saltpetre trade we have to contend with restrictive legislation; and so long as it is considered necessary to maintain these restrictions, bonuses will be comparatively of little use.

12. For the salt prizes there was a wonderful Show. Such a Show I am glad to report has no man ever saw before in this district, nor, I believe, in any other district in the Presidency. There were fifty-four exhibitors, and as I am sending samples to the Board of the salt exhibited, the Board will be able to judge for themselves, whether the language used is justifiable.

13. It would not of course be possible to make the whole of our 30,000 tons as good as the samples shown. But by having numerous stations for the manufacture of the salt, and insisting on its being made when the weather is favorable, and closing the manufacture when the westerly winds begin and cleanliness and good crystalization are impossible, such a difference might be effected as would not be the least of the benefits bestowed on the people of this country by those who have the monopoly. I am going to send samples to be kept at each of our several stations as a standard of comparison. And should the Board think fit, I would suggest that a portion of the salt I am sending to the Board's Office should be sent to the Central Museum for public inspection.

14. The Board will see that special prizes have been awarded to the extent of Rupees 70 for salt. And when they observe that all of our stations from Kanuparti, on the borders of the Kistna District, to the Pulicat lake were represented and well represented, they will, I trust, approve of the course pursued. Gogulapalli, the station it is at present proposed to do away with, won the first and third of the regular prizes.

15. I much regret that I was unable personally to pay much attention to the agricultural implements exhibited: and in this department we have also had the benefit this year of the co-operation of the Government Farm at Madras.

16. It further so happened unfortunately that those on the Sub-Committee on Implements, to whose practical and scientific knowledge I looked for assistance in drawing up this report, were otherwise engaged when the prizes were awarded, and had to leave the station directly the Show was over. The report is, therefore, on this subject confined to general remarks, and the suggestion that Government shall not be allowed to compete for prizes, which shall be attended to in drawing up the prize list for Nellore for 1870.

17. In reporting on the Cattle Show at Addanki, it was my good fortune to be able to bring to the notice of the Board much that was satisfactory, and tended to place such annual meetings in a clearer light than they have yet been seen in. And in probably reporting for the last time on the Nellore Agricultural Show, it is again my pleasing duty to lay before the Board what cannot, I think, fail to give the Board to some extent the satisfaction that I believe is felt by the many thousands who were present on the occasion.

18. Early last month I was informed that His Excellency the Governor would visit Nellore at the time of the Show. This information I communicated at once to the Rajah of Venkatagiri, C. S. I., the Zemindar of Sundi, and the other Zemindars, leading ryots, and breeders of stock in the district generally.

19. When His Excellency arrived at the Show on the 15th instant, he was received by the Rajah of Venkatagiri and the Zemindars of Sundi and Muttyalpad, as wellas the officials of the district, etc.: and accompanied by these native gentlemen of high position and large possession, a minute inspection was made by His Excellency

of all that the Show comprised, that I trust is the inauguration of a fresh era in the history of the district, when the efforts of Government shall have the concurrence and effective support of those whose position and possessions alike enable them to be of the greatest assistance, and without whose assistance what the Officers of Government can do must be much the same as what would be the result, were the great landed proprietors of England to hold aloof and leave our Agricultural Shows and national races to such support as Government officials could give, assisted by farmers.

20. The Rajah of Venkatagiri, with 2,200 square miles of country and a population, looking up to him as their landlord, of 300,000, I am truly glad to report, not only took a lively interest in the Show, but was himself an exhibitor. He exhibited on the banks of the Pennair what he had seen used in the valley of the Ganges. And as we had no prize to offer him, I trust I shall have the pleasure in due course of conveying to the Rajah, the formal thanks of the Government for a contrivance for raising water which the Committee describe "as altogether unknown hitherto in Southern India," and possessing many advantages. It economises labor, it affords a means of raising water from any depth, and it is so simple that it can be put up by any carpenter.

21. His Excellency the Governor having honored the Show with his presence, opened it, and on the 16th gave away the prizes. His Excellency also gave a prize himself of a very handsome gold watch to the owner who, in the opinion of the Committee, had the finest collection of stock at the Show of his own breeding. The Board will see from the report, that in the actual awarding of this prize, there was not much difficulty. No one could put in a claim in comparison with that of Chaganti Chavudari Nayadu, who had won the first prize for four-year old and yearling, the second for five-year old and two-year old bulls. And in thus falling to one of our largest breeders, I have the pleasure to inform the Board that the Governor's prize has been awarded to a family who have given the Shows in this district their steady support from the first, and, holding land to a considerable extent both under Government and also under the Sundi Zemindar, show that success can be obtained under either system, and in this instance attention to stock is compatible with high farming in other respect, for Chaganti Chavudari Nayadu won the third prize in cotton as well.

22. The Rajah of Venkatagiri very handsomely contributed to all prizes offered by Government a sum equal to half the amount given, and the Rajah assisting His Excellency in distributing the prizes, the Show of 1869 will not only be remembered by the people of Nellore as a sight such as they never saw before, but by the prize-men as differing to a very pleasing extent in a pecuniary point of view from all previous Shows.

23. I beg to take this opportunity of acknowledging the receipt of the Board's Proceedings of the 11th instant on the report of the Addanki Cattle Show. And, after replying to these Proceedings, I will do myself the honor to submit my remarks on the several suggestions made by the Nellore Committee, and at the same time submit, for the orders of the Board and Government, a change that I would recommend should be made at once in the tenure on which the bulk of our pasturage is now held.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th May 1869.

24. In the Proceedings under acknowledgment, the Board request me to re-consider the views I had expressed on public Officers acting as agents for the purchase of stock, and observe that the object of Government in improving the breed would be to a certain extent frustrated, by closing this avenue for its profitable sale, whilst it is impossible to prevent an Officer determined to misuse his influence from effecting his purpose. The Board think that the result of the order I have issued against such transactions would be simply to transfer them from the Show where there is "publicity," and "the presence of the Officer of the district is a restraint," to the ryots' villages where these conditions would be reversed. And, looking at the question in this light, it would perhaps be better were my orders modified, and those who engage in such transactions simply required to report each purchase with the amount paid to the Collector of the district. On the other hand, I beg the Board to consider whether it is altogether seemly that the Officers of Government should be so engaged? Whether the order in question would not enable these Officers to refuse such commissions, when like the ryot they may not wish to comply and yet hardly like to refuse? It is difficult to get a good cow cheap. And yet the Tahsildar or other Officer engaged knows quite well what is meant by a good bargain, and what is thought when an animal, however good, is considered to have been bought too dear. In many other ways it seems a doubtful policy, when the value of our stock is rising so rapidly, to allow officials engaged in the administration of justice, or as agents in bringing offenders to justice, to be so hampered. The fact of the value of the stock rising so rapidly is fair proof that the Officers of Government are not needed as a channel of communication; and looking at the question in this point of view, it may be further asked, whether such agency is not interfering unnecessarily with private enterprise, and on these grounds alone to be deprecated? Should, however, the Board be of opinion that the evils of secrecy are worse than the results to which I have now alluded, on receiving their instructions I will lose no time in carrying them into effect.

25. As regards the possibility of establishing a pedigree book with any prospect of success, I must ask the Board to allow me to defer giving an opinion. I do not know the system pursued in England in keeping the stud book. And until I have details on this point, it will be as well not to bring the question forward for the consideration of those immediately interested. I will write home for full details; and as soon as the information I require has been received, the requisite local inquiries shall be made and the result submitted for the Board's orders.

26. I am glad to be able to report that from the further inquiries I have made, I see no reason to doubt the accuracy of the information submitted to the Board in the report on the Adanki Show as to the earlier age at which the cows now begin to bear. High feeding is so connected with high breeding at home, that some I find couple the two together and doubt that the few years these Shows have been in operation can possibly have produced the effect claimed. It takes time and many generations to improve the breed. It takes a similar length of time they think to effect a change in the time at which stock begins to breed. But I doubt whether in reality the one result has anything at all to do with the other. In fact, whatever may be the result as regards age, high breeding, there is no doubt, as a rule, tells in the end against fecundity. And the result claimed, it seems to me, is simply

due to physical causes, to the heifers brought up to our Shows being better fed, better kept altogether from the day of birth, than was the custom previously. And as the facts collected so far fully support this view of the case, I submit herewith prize lists* for our Shows at Adanki and Nellore for next year, modified accordingly. Instead of three-year old and four-year old heifers, which are a loss to the community, the Board will observe I have entered prizes for three-year old, and four-year old cows; and for this alteration I trust that I shall have the Board's approval.

*Enclosures B and C.

27. A further modification is necessary as regards the Nellore Show. The horned stock in the Principal Division, as I have already stated,† have no chance with the cattle from the Sub-division, where breeders have the advantages of a far better soil, and of receiving a fair share of both monsoons. And, keeping the first prize in every class of horned stock open to all comers, for the other prizes under this head at Nellore, I have entered the condition, that the stock shown shall have been bred and raised in the Principal Division.

† Paragraph 3.

28. Many efforts have been made to improve the breed of horses in this country, and the results have not been such as to encourage Government to pay much attention to the suggestions of the Nellore Committee to establish public races for such a purpose. There are however grounds, I think, that claim a consideration. Hitherto the object in view in all these efforts has been to breed *horses*. Now horses of any size, it is well known, are difficult to breed in India. We, on the other hand, in Nellore, simply want to breed *ponies*, and ask for public money to improve the breed for ordinary riding purposes, draught, etc. It is not height that is wanted but *strength* and *activity*. A second condition under which the proposed experiment would be made, and in respect to which it will differ from those previously made, is the change now taking place in the wealth and intellectual advancement of the country, a change that few realise to its full extent. The people are becoming wealthier and more alive to the advantages of rapid locomotion. They have accumulated the means necessary to pay for more rapid movement: Railways have taught them its advantages. Again a third feature in the present experiment that was wanting when most of the money was expended on Government Studs, and requires consideration, is the stimulus that has been given to trade since the American war. And when to this I add that the Road Cess is covering our district with a net work of roads fit for rapid traffic, and our present means of conveyance are a palanquin or a bullock coach, I need not, I think, say more to show the necessity for improving the breed of country ponies, and prove that there are grounds for believing that the experiment is not so hopeless as a review of previous efforts in this direction would otherwise lead Government to think.

29. There are a good many ponies bred in the north of the district. It would therefore be desirable to offer prizes for ponies in the Sub-division also. And modifying the Adanki prize list accordingly, to both the Nellore and Adanki prize lists, I have done myself the honor to add additional prizes to the amount of 300 Rupees, to be run for by country ponies bred in the district.

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30. There is no doubt that races bring with them much that is objectionable. But no great public good can be effected without some drawback. The races would be a matter of interest and amusement to the people generally. They would have a far more powerful effect in improving the breed, than simply offering prizes at Agricultural Shows. We should be adopting the system pursued in England, where the finest breed of horses has been raised that the world ever saw. And as the effect of these races began to be felt, I would increase the amount of public money given to 500 or 1,000 Rupees, and get stallions from the southern Mahratta country and Central Provinces.

31. When prizes are given for ponies as well as horned stock in the Sub-division, it would perhaps be better for many reasons, that the Show should be moved from Addanki to Ongole, the chief town in the Sub-division. It is only a move of twenty miles; and Nellore would then have her agricultural Shows and public races well placed. So far as premiums and localities are concerned, all will have been done that can be conveniently done at present, to foster the agricultural interests of the district.

32. The efforts made to improve stock, assist the trading community, and raise the ryots, will however be of little use, should the system be continued that has been introduced since the cattle tax was abolished of annually renting out the pasturage to the highest bidder. And in concluding this report, I beg that the Board will excuse my bringing forward what is so closely connected with stock, and again urging the necessity for making over the pasturage at fixed rates for a term of five years at least. The present system utterly destroys the security under which alone capital can be safely sunk in improving agricultural stock. As an example, I may mention the case of Chejerla. This village in the Atmakur Talook, on the southern bank of the Pennair, has some 2,000 head of cattle. Under the cattle tax this village paid 105 Rupees a year. Under the annual auction system it was bid up to 1,100 Rupees, and the villagers had to buy back their pasture from a stranger for 300 Rupees more. They had to pay Rupees 1,479 for what they previously paid Rupees 109. They could not do otherwise. They were helpless. There were the cattle. The village had nowhere else to send them to; and it will be little use giving away public money in prizes for the improvement of stock, if those who breed the stock are exposed to fluctuations that in the instance specified amounted to 1,400 per cent., and in fact have no limits. To continue this system would be to render the abolition of a vexatious and oppressive tax the reverse of a boon. It would be scarce possible to arrange a system that should give more unbounded power to the local authorities and expose our village communities to greater risks. It is simply necessary for some one to bid a village up. And the village is ruined. If on the other hand those in authority think fit, such factious bidding can be stopped. But it is an exercise of arbitrary power; and we have 400,000 acres at the present moment held under these conditions!

33. There has been an unfortunate mistake made in the Press Office, which I only detected in checking the accounts of the Show under report, and preparing the prize lists for next year. And in consequence of this mistake, the prizes offered were short of the amount available;* whilst the Sub-Committees refused to give those offered for some classes of

* Enclosure D.

country ponies and agricultural implements and reduced them in others. In erecting a building suitable to the occasion the sum provided for sundries was considerably exceeded; the result of which changes has been that the total amount, actually expended was Rupees 3,369-5-6, or Rupees 30-10-6 short of the sanctioned amount, namely, Rupees 3,400. And, in requesting sanction for the expenditure of Rupees 3,369-5-6,* I have the honor further to request that the Board will be pleased to obtain the sanction of Government for holding agricultural Shows and races in 1870 at Ongole and Nellore on the 21st and 22nd January and 15th and 16th February respectively at a total cost of Rupees 6,200, as shown in the margin.

* Enclosure F.

	Rs.
Ongole	2,400
Nellore	3,800
Total...	6,200

34. Many of the materials used for the Exhibition building were lent to the Tahsildar, Kanchi Subba Rao Puntulu, by the Merchants of Nellore. And at their request, I am allowing the building to be kept up a few days longer. They want it for the performance of some ceremonies. When it is pulled down, the materials in it that belong to Government will be sold, and the gross sum for which sanction is now sought will be reduced by 100 Rupees or thereabouts, on which point I will submit a report in due course. Meanwhile I beg to bring to the notice of the Board, that the excess shown would have been greatly exceeded had it not been for the unremitting attention of the Tahsildar and his Sheristadar, Kovuru Venkata Rao Puntulu.

35. To those who knew India in former days the ornaments and furniture in the Exhibition building were an instructive lesson. Many of the higher classes of our native community had most kindly given their assistance in decorating and furnishing the building, that we might receive fitly the guests who were to honor us with their presence. And when my predecessor, sixty years ago, described the state of the district as he received it from the hands of the Nabob Wallajah, he little thought that before another cycle had rolled by, those amongst whom his lot was cast would fill, when occasion required it, a vast building with the carpets of the east and the furniture and mirrors of western civilization. Thus added to, the building was a Show.

36. I beg that I may be favored with early orders on the prize lists now submitted for the Nellore and Ongole Agricultural Shows for 1870. And trusting that the progress made in the last ten years slowly, step by step, will henceforth be more rapid and marked by the combined efforts seen at the Show under report for the first time, I have, etc.

Enclosure No. 1.—A.

Nellore, 18th February 1869.

Report of the Committee on the Agricultural Show held at Nellore, on the 15th and 16th February 1869.

The Collector and Acting Head Assistant Collector, Ex-officio Members of the Committee, requested J. R. Cockerell, Esq., Civil Judge of Nellore; J. A. Reynolds, Esq., Deputy Inspector General Jails; Lieutenant-Colonel F. J. Moberly, R. E., Superintending Engineer of the Division; J. B. Pennington, Esq, Sub-Collector, Tinnevelly; Major S. Galbraith, Superintendent of Police;

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Major A. D. Clay, Assistant Engineer; J. C. Hughesdon, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector; E. E. Lloyd, Esq., Zillah Surgeon; A. M. Simpson, Esq.; R. Jackson, Esq.; Lieutenant Tillard, Assistant Superintendent of Police; C. Rundall, Esq., Officiating Deputy Director of Revenue Settlement; R. Smith, Esq., Special Executive Engineer; C. J. Knox, Esq., First Assistant Collector; J. A. Boyle, Esq., Second Assistant Collector; C. E. Plunkett, Esq., Deputy Collector in charge of Salt; Mr. J. Smith, District Munsiff; Vemuganti Venkatroa Puntulu, and Addauki Narayana Row Puntulu, Proficient, Deputy Collector in Charge of Nellore; and Tangutur Venkatroya Puntulu, Deputy Collector in Tinnevelly; Kanchipuram Sivashankaram Moodelly, B, A., Deputy Collector, Inam Commission; Karikelavakam Cundasami Moodelly, B. A., B. L., Deputy Collector, General Duties, Nellore; Rozugurdi Venkatakistna Rao Puntulu, B. A., Collector's Sheristadar; Pogaku Vemo Roa Puntulu, Native Assistant, Settlement Department; Singarazu Subba Rao Puntulu, District Munsiff of Ongole; Kanchi Subba Rao Puntulu, Tahsildar of Nellore; Kanchi Balaji Rao Puntulu, B. A., Acting Tahsildar of Ongole; Kasikela Raghupati Rao Puntulu, Tahsildar of Kandukuru; Madakaseri Raja Rao Puntulu, Sub-division Sheristadar; Kanchi Kistnasami Rao Puntulu, Court Sheristadar; Puttam Venkatakistnama Nayadu, Proficient, Tahsildar of Gudur; Kakaluru Armugam Moodelly, Proficient, Tahsildar of Karali; Kunatturu Bashica Charyulu, Tahsildar of Atmakur; Pallikarni Tirumala Raghava Chary ulu, Tahsildar of Rapuru; Mallavarapu Appayya Puntulu, Salt Superintendent of Isakapalli; and Toke Jayaram Nayadu, Sub-Magistrate of Venkatagiri; to assist in awarding the prizes.

2. To decide the age of the animals, the following Punchayets had been appointed by the Tahsildar:—

Names of the Punchayets.	*Classes for which appointed.*
1. Pavuluru Akkulu Reddi, Rajavolu, Atmakur.	Full grown Bulls.
2. Kilhari Subba Nayadu, Apparavupalem, Atmakur.	Five-year old Bulls.
3. Bezawada Babu Reddi, Buchereddipalem, Nellore.	
4. Tannapareddi Venkatapati Reddi, Totapalli Guduru, Nellore.	
5. Potu Ramudu, Venkanapalem, Kandukuru.	
1. Mula Pulla Reddi, Navuru, Atmakur.	Four-year old Bulls.
2. Madala Ramaswmi Nayadu, Chavata Bheemavaram, Atmakur.	Three-year old Bulls.
3. Karavadi Kodandaramayya, Karavadi, Ongole.	Two-year old Bulls.
4. Addipalli Ramudu, Naidamamur, Ongole.	Yearling Bulls.
5. Antsuru Rangappa Nayadu, Judukurupeta, Nellore.	
1. Chembeti Laskmireddy, Maktapuram, Nellore.	Four-year old Heifers.
2. Katonoreddy Venkatarama Reddi, Buchireddipalem, Nellore.	
3. Chaganti Chavuduri Nayudu, Kamepalli, Kandukur.	
4. Bolmeni Ramasawmi, Yenikepadu, Ongole.	
5. Koduru Perapa Nayadu, Nidamanur, Ongole.	

1.	Katam Reddy Krishna Reddy, Alluru, Nellore.	Three-year old Heifers.
		Two-year old Heifers.
2.	Beyapati Chenchuramma Nayudu, Boduvanpolem, Nellore.	Yearling Heifers.
3.	Ganupatti Seturami Reddy, Mangamuru Kavali.	
4.	Yadla Konda Reddy, Dupagunta Atmakur.	
5.	Punete Lucha Reddi, Paturu, Nellore.	
1.	Shah Mahamed Sahib, Nellore.	Full grown Stallions.
2.	Ippagunta Kota Reddy, Kavali.	Four-year old Colts.
3.	Ghous Sahib, Nellore.	Three-year old Colts.
4.	Syed Ahmed Sahib, Atmakur.	One-year old Colts.
		Mares.
		Fillies.

3. HORNED STOCK.

Full grown Bulls.

	RS.
First prize...	75
Second do	50

In this class there was an unusally large number of animals exhibited. The first prize was awarded to Mannem Vencatadu, of the Ongole Taluck, who had won the first prize at Adanki with the same animal; the second to Bhema Vencata Nayadu also from the Ongole Taluck. In the opinion of the Committee the class generally, however, was not well represented; and no special prizes were therefore awarded.

Five-year old Bulls.

	RS.
First prize...	70
Second do	45

The Show for five-year old Bulls was not large, but, on the whole, in this class the standard was high. The first prize was awarded to Bezawada Narasimhulu, of Naidamanu, in the Ongole Taluck; the second to Chagante Chavudari Nayadu, of Kamepalli, in the Kandukur Taluck.

Four-year old Bulls.

	RS.
First prize	60
Second do	40
Third do	20

For four-year old prizes there were twenty competitors. The Show was tolerably good. The first prize was given to Chaganti Chavudari Nayadu, of Kamepalli: the second to Kanta Govindu, also of the Kandukur Taluck, whilst the third prize was carried off by Bezawada Narasayya of Nidamanur. The Committee further awarded a special prize of Rupees 15 to Kanta Pichanna of Kandukur Taluck.

Three-year old Bulls.

	RS.
First prize	50
Second do.	35
Third do.	15

This was a fine Show. The animals from the southern talooks were not able to compete with those from Kandukur and Ongole, but a few were very good. Altogether there were forty exhibitors: the first prize was won by Koduru Perappa Nayadu of Nidamanur, the second by Koduru Subbayya of the same village, the third by Valeti Ramasawmy of Venikepad, a neighbouring village, and a special prize of Rupees 15 was given to Syed Ahmed Sahib, a Mussalman exhibitor, from the Atmakur Taluck.

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Two-year old Bulls.

	RS.
First prize	40
Second do.	24
Third do.	12

In this class there was a small but good Show. The first prize was given to Mokalapalli Narayadu of the Ongole Taluck, the second and third to Chaganti Chavudari Nayadu, and Potu Pichanna respectively, both being of the Kandukur Taluck. And the Committee further awarded one special prize of Rupees 8 to Mundlamuri Ramudu of the Ongole Taluck, and two others of a like amount to Yedla Konda Reddy and Mallapaneni Adyappa Nayadu from the southern talooks.

Yearlings.

	RS.
First prize	30
Second do.	20
Third do.	10

There was a fair Show of eleven yearling bulls. The first prize was awarded to Chaganti Chavudari Nayadu, the second to Bolineni Adi Narayudu, the third to Dagopate Ramasawmy of Vencatrowpalli in the Atmakuru Taluck, a southern exhibitor in this instance competing successfully with the ryots from the north; whilst a special prize of Rupees 8 was awarded to Sani Seshu, another exhibitor from the principal division.

Bull Calves.

	RS.
First prize	20
Second do.	15
Third do.	10

There was a very good Show of eleven bull calves. The first prize was awarded to Bodapate Kotappa, the second to Vaka Veera Reddy, the third to Kakerlapudy Venkatarama Razu, all three prize-men being from the Ongole Taluck; and two special prizes were awarded of Rupees 8 each, one to Mangapati Kondappa Nayadu, the other to Shigram Siddam Chetty of the Kavali and Nellore Talooks, respectively.

Cows.

	RS.
First prize	55
Second do.	35
Third do.	20

There was a very fine Show of thirty-two Cows. The first and second prizes were awarded to Addepalli Ramudu of Nidamanur, the third to Nagineni Ramudu of Venikepad Ongole Taluck. Three special prizes of Rupees 15 each were assigned, one to Koduruswamy of Nidamanur Ongole, one to Billa Subbadu of Tangutur Ongole, and the third to Dodlarami Reddi of Buchireddipallem, in the Nellore Taluck.

Four-year old Heifers.

	RS.
First prize	45
Second do.	30
Third do.	15

The exhibition of four-year old Heifers, 27 in number, was specially noticeable. The first prize fell to a southern exhibitor, Boyapati Chentsu Rama Nayadu of Kammavaripalliem, in the Nellore Taluck, the second to Donampudi Ramudu of Nidamanur, the third to Tippaguduri Subbadu of Pangutur of Ongole. Four special prizes were given of Rupees 10 each, one to Boddu Kotadu of Pangutur Ongole, one to Dodla Rama Reddy of the Nellore Taluck, the third to Tummala Venkata Reddy of the same taluck, the fourth to Syed Latif of the Atmakur Taluck.

Three-year old Heifers.

	RS.
First prize	35
Second do.	20
Third do.	12

There were only eight animals exhibited in this class but all were very good. The first prize was given to Lingamgunta Kodandaramayya of Lingamgunta in the Ongole Taluck, the second

unanimously to Yellachuri Latchmigadu of Tangutur, the third to Yellachari Latchmigadu of Tangutur, and a special prize of Rupees 8 to Totu Pichanna Nayadu, of Chinavenkanapalliem, in the Kandukur Talook.

Two-year old Heifers.

	RS.
First prize	30
Second do.	15
Third do.	12

This Show was neither large in number nor superior in quality. The prizes were all won by Nidamanur, the first being awarded to Addepalli Ramadu, the second to Donampudi Ramudi, and the third to Cheygundi Kondadu, whilst a special prize of Rupees 8 was given to Kande Narasudu of Tangutur, in the same talook.

Yearling Heifers.

	RS.
First prize	25
Second do.	12
Third do.	10

There were only eleven animals exhibited, and these were in bad condition. The first prize fell to Nalluru Chenchur Ramudu of Nidamanur, the second to Vaka Kottappa of Uppalapad in the Kandukur Talook, and the third to Ali Hussen Sahib of the town of Nellore. For Heifer Calves no prizes were awarded. In two instances certificates were produced, but they showed that the animals were beyond the prescribed age.

Working Cattle.

	RS.
First prize	70
Second do.	45
Third do.	20

There were a great number of animals in this class, but the majority were poor. Six pairs out of the twenty-seven were selected for trial. The first prize fell to Bolinedi Ramaswamy of Yenikepad, the second to Rahamantulla Sahib of Nellore, the Dewan of the Rajah of Venkatagiri, and the third to Ali Husen Sahib also of Nellore.

COUNTRY PONIES.

4. *Full grown Stallions.*

	RS.
First prize	40
Second do.	30

In this class there were thirty-two exhibitors from different parts of the district. They were tested before the prizes were awarded, and with reference to the results of the trials as well as general appearance, the first prize was awarded to Venkatachalam Razu, an Inspector of Police, the second to Mr. Beeson, also an Inspector of Police, stationed at Nellore.

Four-year old Colts.

	RS.
First prize	35
Second do.	25

This was an indifferent Show. Only three animals were selected to be tested, and the prizes were awarded as follows :—

First prize .. Manika Chendu Lala, Revenue Inspector of Udayagiri.
Second do. ... Bankat Sing of Nellore.

Three-year old Colts.

	RS.
First prize	30
Second do.	20

There were only six entries in this class, and all of them were small inferior animals. They had never been mounted, and the prizes were therefore awarded without trial to (1) Madar Sahib of Nellore, and (2) Amancherla Sitayya of Atmakur.

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Two-year old Colts.

There were no exhibitors in this class.

Yearling Colts.

	RS.
First prize	20
Second do.	10

There were only two entries, and the prizes fell, the first to Chunduri Janiki Ramudu of Nellore, the second to Hasan Hamad, a Police Constable stationed in Nellore.

Mares.

	RS.
First prize	35
Second do.	30
Third do.	25

There was a considerable Show of thirty-nine mares, but few were worthy of much notice. The first prize was given to Venkata Row, Police Inspector, for a mare that had formerly taken a second prize : the second prize on this occasion was given to Syed Mohud Sahib, and the third to Rebala Pattahbi Rammi Reddy of Mopur in the Nellore Talook.

Fillies.

In this class there was some confusion and the Committee regret that on this account they were unable to award prizes.

SHEEP.

5. *Rams.*

	RS.
First prize	30
Second do.	15
Third do.	10

This class was numerously represented, forty-six animals being exhibited. The Committee were unanimously of opinion that those entered by the Government Farm were very much superior to the country-bred rams, and the first prize was awarded accordingly. The second was won by Autsuri Subbaya of Kondayapalem in the Nellore Talook, and the third by Baru Rama Rao of the town of Nellore.

Sheep.

	RS.
First prize	30
Second do.	20
Third do.	10

There was only one flock of sheep exhibited, and the Committee did not think them deserving of more than the third prize, which was accordingly awarded to Koppolu Appaya, of Nellore.

GOATS.

6. *He-Goats.*

	RS.
First prize	15
Second do.	13
Third do.	10

The animals shown were large but long-legged, and ungainly. There were fifteen exhibitors, and the first prize was won by Dodla Rami Reddy of Buchireddipalem in the Nellore Talook, the second by Davud Sahib of Nellore for a young goat which was an exception to the general appearance of the class, and the third by Ravulapalli Kondalrazu, also of the Nellore Talook.

She-Goats.

	RS.
First prize	15
Second do.	12
Third do.	10

There were fewer entries than in the last class, but a better description of animals. The first prize was awarded to Mahammad Husen Sahib, the second to Kamarazuguddu Sreeramudu, and the third to Nimmala Rangayya of Nellore.

7. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE.

Cotton.

	Rs.
First prize	200
Second do.	100
Third do.	50

There were but thirteen exhibitors, a limited number considering the value of the prizes offered. The Show, however, was decidedly good, and the competition very close. The Committee, considering the Cotton exhibited by Kilhari Subba Nayadu and Donkala Peddabi, of the Atmakur Talook, to be equally good and well cleaned, divided the first two prizes equally between them; the third prize was awarded to Chaganti Chavudari Nayadu.

Indigo.

	Rs.
First prize	100
Second do.	50
Third do.	25

There was a very fair Show of *Native* Indigo. There were ten exhibitors, all natives. The first prize was won by Pelluri Gurunadaya for some which had been made at *Padainatikambampadu* in the Atmakur Talook. This Indigo was almost equal to first quality Cuddapah. The second was awarded for Indigo made at Lingamgunta in the Ongole Talook. It was more mixed than the other, but a very fair specimen of Ongole Indigo. The third prize was won by Kanta Govindu, from Pamidepad, in the Kandukur Talook, which was also a very fair specimen, but somewhat inferior to the last.

Saltpetre.

	Rs.
First prize	50
Second do.	25
Third do.	10

This was a very small Show, five samples only being exhibited. The quality of the whole was, however, good, and the three prizes were awarded as follow :—

First, Arava Venkata Subbayya.
Second, Vakati Pichigadu.
Third, Kurchala Rangappa.

Salt.

	Rs.
First prize	100
Second do.	50
Third do.	25

Except the three southern divisions situated on the Pulicat Lake, the Show of salt was admirable. The first and third prizes were awarded to Ramalingam Yanadi and Ramalingam Rangappa, of Gogulapalli. The second prize was given to Kukkala Ayyapa Reddi, of Kanuparti; and considering the number of exhibitors, and the general excellence of the article shown, special prizes of Rupees 20 each were awarded as follow :—

1. Vanama Narasimhulu, of Padarti, in the Ongole Talook.
2. Chapparalla Papalika, of Gogulapalli, in the Nellore Talook.

And three of Rupees. 10 to—

1. Putta Balayya, of Pakala, in the Kandukur Talook.
2. Sarvapalli Chentsuramadu, of Krishnapatam, Gudur Talook.
3. Korli Chentsu, Gurapah of Isakapalli, Nellore Talook.

8. AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Cotton Gins.

	Rs.
First prize	100
Second do.	75

There were five exhibitors in this class. The only English Gin on the ground was immeasurably superior to all the others, and to it was awarded the first prise. The prise for the district

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Gins was awarded to Donkala Peddabi for a very inferior machine, which was, however, the best shown.

Carts for Agricultural purposes.

	Rs.
First prize	50
Second do.	30

In this class there were thirteen entries. The first prize was awarded to one sent from the Government Farm, the second to Dodla Rama Reddi. Whilst as regards the other agricultural implements exhibited, and prizes awarded, the Committee would refer to the printed lists for the requisite particulars, without going further into detail.

9. Great interest was excited in awarding the very valuable and handsome prize of a gold watch presented for competition by His Excellency the Governor. This prize was to be given to the owner who, in the opinion of the Committee, had the finest collection of stock at the Show of his own breeding. It will have been observed that Chaganti Chavudari Nayadu, of Kamipalli, in the Kandukur Talook, was the successful competitor of the following prizes, namely :—

Five-year old bull	Second Prize.
Four-year old bull	First Prize.
Two-year old bull	Second Prize.
Yearling bull	First Prize.

And under these circumstances, though two very beautiful cows and other fine stock had been exhibited by Addepalli Ramudu, of Nidamanuru, as the cows had not been bred by himself, he was unable to compete under the conditions prescribed, and Chaganti Chavudari Nayadu was, therefore, declared the fortunate winner of the Governor's prize also.

10. The Committee now wish to record the following general observations :—

11. As regards horned stock, the number of animals exhibited was much in excess of previous years; and the cows showed a decided improvement both in number and quality. In the opinion of some of the members of the Committee the same remark applies as well to the bull-calves.

12. The Show of country-ponies was much superior to that of any previous years, though manifestly leaving much room for improvement. The Committee see no reason to doubt that this improvement will be effected in the course of time by annual Shows, such as that now under report. But they also believe that the objects in view would be more surely and more rapidly attained by adopting the plan usually pursued in other countries and instituting races.

13. An improvement would be effected, the Committee think, in the breed of sheep if the rams, exhibited from the Government Farm, were distributed among the ryots.

14. The high quality of the salt exhibited, as set forth in the remarks of the Sub-Committee, shows clearly how much improvement may be effected in the manufacture of the article by proper care; and the Committee would draw particular attention to this fact as of great importance to the community generally.

15. As regards agricultural implements, the Committee are of opinion that, what has been exhibited by the Farm Committee will be of much use in suggesting improvements in those now in use, but would recommend that, in future, no prizes be awarded to implements shown by any department of Government, as Native exhibitors are quite unable to enter into such competition. And the Committee observed, with pleasure, one marked improvement this year in native implements—a six-tubed sowing drill having been exhibited.

16. The Committee would tender their special thanks to the Rajah of Vencatagherry for exhibiting an ingenious contrivance for raising water, (hitherto altogether unknown in Southern India,) by which great economy is effected in labor, and the water can be raised with facility, whatever may be the depth of the well. The machine is so simple that it can be put up by any village artizan.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. W. B. DYKES,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—B.

Ongole.

List of prizes to be given at the Agricultural Show to be held at Ongole on the 21st and 22nd January 1870, and to be run for on the afternoon of the first day of the Show, subject to the conditions specified :—

Agricultural Stock.

		Rs.
For the best full grown bull		75
Do. 2nd ,, do.		50
Do. the ,, five-year old bull		70
Do. 2nd ,, do.		45
Do. the ,, four-year old bull		60
Do. 2nd ,, do.		40
Do. 3rd ,, do.		20
Do. the ,, three-year old bull		50
Do. 2nd ,, do.		35
Do. 3rd ,, do.		15
Do. the ,, two-year old bull		40
Do. 2nd ,, do.		24
Do. 3rd ,, do.		12
Do. the ,, yearling bull		30
Do. 2nd ,, do.		20
Do. 3rd ,, do.		10
Do. the ,, bull-calf		25
Do. 2nd ,, do.		15
Do. 3rd ,, do.		8
	—	644
For the best five-year old or aged cow in calf, or with calf at heel.		80
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do.		50
Do. 3rd ,, do. do. do.		40
Do. 4th ,, do. do. do.		30
Do. the ,, four-year old cow do. do.		70
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do.		40
Do. 3rd ,, do. do. do.		30
Do. 4th ,, do. do. do.		20

Agricultural Stock.

		Rs.
For the best three-year old or aged cow in calf, or with calf at heel.		160
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do.		30
Do. 3rd ,, do. do. do.		20
Do. the ,, two-year old heifer		50
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.		25
Do. 3rd ,, do. do.		20
Do. the ,, yearling heifer		40
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.		20
Do. 3rd ,, do. do.		15
Do. the ,, heifer-calf		30
Do. 2nd ,, do.		20
Do. 3rd ,, do.		15
Do. 4th ,, do.		10
	—	715
Do. the best pair of working cattle, the property of the exhibitor that have not yet taken the first prize in this class		70
Do. 2nd best do. do. do.		45
Do. 3rd best do. do. do.		20
	—	135
Total for horned stock		1,494

Conditions.

The prizes for three-year old and four-year old cows in calf, or with calf at heel, failing cows, will be given to heifers of those ages which will be eligible for exhibition as hitherto.

2. The working cattle will be subjected to a practical trial, to test their powers of draught. And each pair must be the *bona fide* property of the exhibitor. It will not be permitted to two owners of separate bullocks to bring them up as one pair for competition.

Country Ponies.

For the best full-grown stallion		40
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.		30
Do. the ,, four-year old colt, bred in the district		35
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.		25
Do. the ,, three-year old colt, do.		30
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do.		20
Do. the ,, two-year old colt do.		25
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do.		15
Do. the ,, yearling colt do.		20
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do.		10
	—	250
Do. the best full-grown mare		35
Do. 2nd ,, do.		30
Do. 3rd ,, do.		25
Do. the ,, filly, bred in the district		25
Do. 2nd ,, do.		20
Do. 3rd ,, do.		15
	—	150
Total for Country Ponies		400
For the exhibitors who fail in carrying off any of the regular prizes, but in the judgment of the Committee deserving of prizes		100
		106
Sundries		2,100
Grand Total		

Races.

1*st Race.*—A plate of fifty Rupees for entire ponies, not exceeding thirteen hands, bred in the district to carry six-stone ; the second pony to receive thirty Rupees ; and the third, twenty Rupees.

2*nd Race.*—A plate of fifty Rupees for mares, not exceeding thirteen hands, bred in the district to carry six-stone ; the second to receive thirty Rupees ; and the third, twenty Rupees.

3*rd Race.*—A plate of fifty Rupees for ponies and mares not exceeding thirteen hands, bred in the district, to carry six-stone ; the second to receive thirty Rupees ; and the third, twenty Rupees.

Total for races for country-ponies, Rupees 300.

General Conditions.

1. All animals to be exhibited shall be on the ground by sun-rise on the first day of the Show.

2. No animal which has already taken the first or any other prize shall again compete for, or take the same or a lower prize in the same class or race.

3. Cattle or Agricultural Implements, etc., exhibited by any department of Government are not eligible for prizes.

(Signed) J. W. B. DYKES,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

Nellore.

List of Prizes to be given at the Agricultural Show to be held at Nellore on the 15th and 16th February 1870, and to be run for on the afternoon of the 1st day of the Show, subject to the conditions specified.

Agricultural Stock.

		Rs.	
For the best full grown bull		75	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		50	
Do. the ,, five-year old bull		70	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		45	
Do. the ,, four-year old bull		60	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		40	
Do. 3rd ,, do.		20	
Do. the ,, three-year old bull		50	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		35	
Do. 3rd ,, do.		15	
Do. the ,, two-year old bull		40	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		24	
Do. 3rd ,, do.		12	
Do. the ,, yearling bull		30	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		20	
Do. 3rd ,, do.		10	
Do. the ,, bull-calf		25	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		15	
Do. 3rd ,, do.		8	
		—	641
Do. the best five-year old, or aged cow in calf, or with calf at heel.		80	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do.		50	
Do. 3rd ,, do. do. do.		40	
Do. 4th ,, do. do. do.		30	
Do. the ,, four-year old cow do. do.		70	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do. do.		40	
Do. 3rd ,, do. do. do. do.		30	
Do. 4th ,, do. do. do. do.		20	
Do. the ,, three-year old do. do.		60	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do. do. do.		30	
Do. 3rd ,, do. do. do. do.		20	
Do. the ,, two-year old heifer		50	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.		25	
Do. 3rd ,, do. do.		20	
Do. the ,, yearling heifer		40	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		20	
Do. 3rd ,, do.		15	
Do. the ,, heifer-calf		30	
Do. 2nd ,, do.		20	
Do. 3rd ,, do.		15	
Do. 4th ,, do.		10	
		—	715
Do. the best pair of working cattle, the property of the exhibitor, that have not yet taken the first prize in this class		70	
Do. the 2nd best do. do.		45	
Do. 3rd best do. do.		20	
		—	135
Total for Horned Stock...		1,494	

Conditions.

I.—The first prizes for every class of horned stock are open to all comers; but the other prizes shall only be given for cattle bred and raised in the principal division.

II.—The prizes for three-year old and four-year old cows in calf, or with calf at heel, failing cows, will be given to heifers of those ages which will be eligible for exhibition as hitherto.

III.—The working cattle will be subjected to a practical trial, to test their powers of draught. And each pair must be the *bona fide* property of the exhibitor. It will not be permitted to two owners of separate bullocks to bring them up as one pair for competition.

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II.—Country Ponies.

	Rs.	
For the best full grown stallion	40	
Do. 2nd ,, do.	30	
Do. the ,, four-year old colt, bred in the district	35	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.	25	
Do. the ,, three-year old colt do.	30	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.	20	
Do. the ,, two-year old colt do.	25	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.	15	
Do. the ,, yearling colt, bred in the district	20	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.	10	
	—	250
Do. the ,, full grown mare	35	
Do. 2nd ,, do.	30	
Do. 3rd ,, do.	25	
Do. the ,, filly, bred in the district	25	
Do. 2nd ,, do. do.	20	
Do. 3rd ,, do. do.	15	
	—	150
Total for Country Ponies ..		400

III.—Sheep.

For the best ram...	30	
Do. 2nd best do. ...	15	
Do. 3rd best do. ...	10	
	—	55
Do. the best flock of ewes of not less than twenty in number ...	30	
Do. 2nd best do. ...	20	
Do. 3rd best do. ...	10	
	—	60
Total for Sheep ...		115

IV.—Goats.

For the best he-goat...	15	
Do. 2nd best do. ...	13	
Do. 3rd best do. ...	10	
	—	38
Do. the best she-goat	15	
Do. 2nd best do.	12	
Do. 3rd best do.	10	
	—	37
Total for Goats ...		75
Total for Agricultural Stock ...		2,084

V.—Agricultural Produce, Saltpetre and Salt.

1.—*Cotton.*

For the finest specimen of Cotton not less than a bale of 100 lbs. or thereabouts, grown in the district, packed ready for carriage, and off the same land ...	200
Do. 2nd best do. do. ...	100
Do. 3rd best do. do. ...	50
	— 350

2.—*Indigo.*

For the best specimen of Indigo not less than 25 lbs. Avoirdupois, grown and made in the district at the same factory ...	100
Do. 2nd best do. do. ...	50
Do. 3rd best do. do. ...	25
	—175

3.—*Saltpetre.*

For the best specimen of saltpetre not less than a bag of 120 lbs. or thereabouts made in the district at the same pans...	50
Do. 2nd best do. do. ...	25
Do. 3rd best do. do. ...	10
	— 85

4.—*Salt.*

For the best specimen of Salt not less than one Indian Maund in quantity, and certified to form part of what has been brought to the platform to be stored	100	
For the 2nd best do. do.	50	
Do. 3rd best do. do.	25	
		— 175
Total of Agricultural Produce, Saltpetre and Salt ..		785

VI.—Agricultural Implements.

For the best Cotton Gin to be exhibited working and approved ...	100	
For do. do. made in the district	75	
For the best cart for agricultural purposes to be exhibited at ordinary work and approved	50	
For the 2nd best do. made in the district	30	
For the best specimen of an oil-mill	20	
For do. do. plough—		
1 for ordinary cultivation	15	
2 do. irrigation	15	
For the best specimen of a drill (complete)	15	
Do. harrow	10	
Do. roller	10	
Do. pick-axe	5	
Do. mamooty...	5	
Do. turf cutter	3	
Do. a sickle	3	
Do. earthen pail	2	
Total for Agricultural Implements...		— 358
To the exhibitors who fail in carrying off any of the regular prizes, but in the judgment of the Committee deserving of prizes	100	
Sundries	173	
Grand Total...		3,500

Races.

1*st Race.*—A plate of fifty Rupees for entire ponies not exceeding thirteen hands, bred in the district, to carry six-stone ; the second to receive thirty Rupees ; and the third, twenty Rupees.

2*nd Race.*—A plate of fifty Rupees for mares not exceeding thirteen hands, bred in the district, to carry six-stone ; the second to receive thirty Rupees ; and the third, twenty Rupees.

3*rd Race.*—A plate of fifty Rupees for ponies and mares not exceeding thirteen hands, bred in the district, to carry six-stone ; the second to receive thirty Rupees ; and the third, twenty Rupees.

Total for Races for country ponies, Rupees 300.

General Conditions.

1. All animals to be exhibited shall be on the ground by sun-rise on the first day of the Show.

2. No animal which has already taken the first or any other prize shall again compete for, or take the same or a lower prize in the same class or race.

3. Cattle or Agricultural Implements, etc., exhibited by any department of Government, are not eligible for prizes.

(Signed) J. W. B. DYKES,
Collector.

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Statement showing the total amount of Prizes sanctioned and given at the Agricultural Show, held at Nellore on the 15th and 16th February 1869.

CLASS.	Regular Prizes.		Special Prizes.		Total.		Difference between amount sanctioned and given.		Remarks.
	Sanctioned.	Given.	Given.				Increase.	Decrease.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	
Full grown bulls	125	125	...	...	125				
Five-year do.	115	115	...	...	115				
Four-year do.	120	120	15	45	135	155			
Three-year do.	100	100	15	30	115	130			
Two-year do.	76	76	24	8	100	75			
Yearling do.	60	60	8	8	68	65			
Bull calves	48	45	16	...	61	47			
	644	641	78	101	719	472	75	.....	Excess for bulls, etc.
Cows	200	110	179	...	289	70			
Four-year old heifers	160	90	...	...	250	60			
Three do. do.	110	67	...	...	177	50			
Two do. do.	95	57	...	...	152	...			
Yearling do. do.	75	47	...	...	122	30			
Heifer calves do.	75	...	...	...	75	90			
Working cattle	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Total Horned Stock...	1,494	1,147	179	.....	1,326	300	243	.....	Not given for cows, etc.
Full grown stallions	70	...	...	...	70	...			
Four-year old colts	60	...	...	...	60	...			
Three-year do.	50	...	...	...	50	...			
Two-year do.	40	...	...	...	...	...			
Yearling do.	30	...	...	...	30	...			
Mares	90	...	...	...	90	...			
Fillies	60	...	...	...	...	...			
	400	300	.....	.....	300	.....	100	.....	Not given for ponies, etc.
Rams	55	55	...	...	55	...			
Flock of ewes	60	10	...	...	10	...			
	115	65	.....	.....	65	.....	50	.....	Not given for sheep, etc.
He-goats	38	38	...	...	38	...			
She-goats	37	37	...	...	37	...			
Total Agricultural Stock...	2,084	...	179	...	1,766	75	393		
		1,587			1,766		75		

ENCLOSURE No. 4 D.

Statement showing the total amount of Prices sanctioned and given at the Agricultural Show, etc.—(Concluded.)

CLASS.	Regular prizes.				Special Prizes.		Total.		Difference between amount sanctioned and given.		Remarks.
	Sanctioned.		Given.		Given.				Increase.	Decrease.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Agricultural Produce.											
Cotton	350		350		...		350				
Indigo	175		175		...		175				
Salt petre	85		85		...		85				
Salt	175		175		70		215				
		785		785		70		855	70	.....	
Agricultural Implements.											
Cotton-gin	175		175		...		175				
Country-cart	80		80		...		80				
Oil-mill	20		...		...		...				
Plough	30		30		...		30				
Drill	15		15		...		15				
Harrow	10		10		...		10				
Roller	10		...		...		...				
Pick-axe	5		...		...		...				
Mamooty	5		...		...		...				
Turf-cutter	3		...		...		...				
Sickle	3		3		...		3				
Earthen pail	2	358	...	313	...	.....	...	313	.....	45	Not given for Agricultural Implements.
For exhibitors who failed to carry off any of the regular prizes, but are deserving of prizes	...	100	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	100	Not given.
Grand Total	...	3,327	...	2,685	...	249	...	2,934	145	538	
Net Decrease	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	393	

These figures are exclusive of the sum contributed by the Rajah of Venkatagiri.

(Signed) J. W. B. DYKES,
Collector.

Abstract of animals exhibited at Addanki in 1869 and at Nellore in 1867 and 1869, and of exhibitors at Nellore for the two years under examination in Agricultural Produce and Implements.

		Addanki 1869.		Nellore 1867.		Nellore 1869.	
Horned-cattle	Bulls, etc.	106		41		139	
	Cows, etc.	133		76		93	
	Working cattle	7	246	8	125	55	287
Country ponies	Stallions	.....		13		56	
	Mares	.....		19	32	37	93
Sheep	Rams	.....		23		46	
	Flocks of ewes	.....		1		1	
Goats	He-goats	.....		7		15	
	She-goats	.....		20		13	
Agricultural Produce, etc.	Cotton	.....		9		13	
	Indigo	.....		7		10	
	Saltpetre	.....		7		5	
	Salt	.....		29		54	
Agricultural Implements.	Cotton gins	.....		2		5	
	Country carts	.....		7		13	

(Signed) J. W. B. DYKES,
Collector.

Memorandum showing the total expenditure incurred on account of the Agricultural Show held at Nellore on the 15th and 16th February 1869.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Regular and special prizes awarded as per Appendix D.	2,934	0	0
Sundries—			
Expenses of fodder for the cattle	18	12	0
Compensation paid on account of tope	60	0	0
Construction of the shed	331	9	6
Cost of removing do.	25	0	0
	435	5	6
Total...	3,369	5	6

(Signed) J. W. B. DYKES,
Collector.

IN this letter the Collector of Nellore, Mr. Dykes, reports on the Agricultural Exhibition held at Nellore on the 15th and 16th ultimo.

2. The Show was of a more comprehensive nature than the one held at Addanky in the preceding month, and comprised Indigo, Salt, Cotton, etc., in addition to stock. It appears to have been most satisfactory, and the large attendance of visitors and the superior excellence of the stock and articles brought forward attest at once the success with which the interest of the people has been enlisted in this useful movement, and the valuable influence for good which these Exhibitions have exercised.

3. The report on Indigo is favorable. The produce of Nellore has not hitherto borne so high a reputation as that of Cuddapah, and Mr. Dykes's remarks

imply that Nellore Indigo, is sent to Cuddapah to be thence exported as the produce of the latter district. The result of the Exhibition will, it is to be hoped, put an end to such dishonest proceedings, and lead to direct transactions with the producers in Nellore.

4. The display of salt was particularly good. The grant of prizes for this article is peculiar to Nellore. The samples, after submission to Government, will be sent to the Museum and the Chamber of Commerce.

5. The Rajah of Vencatagiri exhibited a machine for raising water, which for effectiveness, simplicity of construction, and cheapness, is highly commended. The Board request that the Collector will favor them with a fuller description of the machine, and ascertain where similar machines are procurable, their price, etc.

6. In paragraph 24 of his letter, Mr. Dykes recurs to the subject of prohibiting the Officers of the district from purchasing cattle for others at the Shows. The Board still consider the interdict undesirable, and leave the matter for the decision of Government.

7. Mr. Dykes' remarks on the effects of renting out the pastures of Nellore will receive the Board's immediate consideration.

8. The Board recommend that the expenses incurred, Rupees 3,369-5-6, be sanctioned, and the Prize Lists, submitted for Exhibitions to be held next year at Ongole (instead of Addanky) and Nellore, be also approved.

9. The Board also support Mr. Dykes' application for a grant of Rupees 600 for pony races at both places. There can be no doubt that the breed of the native ponies is susceptible of great improvement, and the comparatively inexpensive experiment proposed by Mr. Dykes is well worth trying.

10. The Board are apprehensive that the withholding of prizes for three or four-year old heifers is somewhat premature, and would rather defer the change for another year, giving extra prizes in 1870 for three and four-year old cows with calves.

11. The Board recommend that the thanks of Government be conveyed to the Rajah of Vencatagiri who displayed much interest in the success of the Exhibition, and liberally increased the prizes, and to the gentlemen, European and Native, who co-operated with the Collector and afforded him their valuable assistance.

12. In their report of the 11th ultimo on the Addanki Show, the Board expressed their sense of Mr. Dykes' important services in connection with the Agricultural Exhibitions of Nellore. They can only repeat that the gratifying success of these Shows, the influence they have already exerted, the permanency of the interest they have excited in the district, and the cordial manner in which all classes support them, are pre-eminently due to him.

No. 387. ORDER THEREON, 17th May 1869, No. 1,369.

Miscellaneous.

THE Right Honorable the Governor in Council concurs with the Board of Revenue in considering that the Agricultural Exhibition at Nellore has been highly successful, and desires that the thanks of Government be conveyed to the members of the Committee for their services on the occasion.

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2. Sanction is granted for the expenditure incurred, amounting to Rupees 3,369-5-6. The Prize Lists for the proposed Exhibitions to be held at Ongole and Nellore are approved, with the amendment proposed in paragraph 10 of the Board's Proceedings, and with the exception of the prizes proposed for Pony-Races which, the Government are of opinion, are not called for at present. The Ongole Exhibition should be held next year as proposed, and that at Nellore in 1871.

3. The Board are authorised to convey to the Rajah of Vencatagherry the thanks of Government for the liberal manner in which he has supported the Exhibition.

4. His Excellency in Council has already recorded his appreciation of Mr. Dykes's valuable and successful labors in connection with the Exhibitions of the Nellore District in the G. O., under date 19th March 1869, No. 765.

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Revenue Department

No 1369

Proceedings of the Madras Govt under date the 17 May/69

Read the following Rep: of the Bd of Revenue

Recommending the sanction the expenditure incurred on account of Agricultural Exhibition held at Nellore in Febry 1869, and submitting prize lists for Exhibitions to be held in 1870 at Ongole & Nellore, and requesting to grant Rs 600 for Pony races at both places.

(H.L. 20th March 1869, No 1918).

Doubted the propriety of these payments & Exhibitions once in 2 years & they would become kept up at great expense with this objection

The Draft Wd

I would suggest the propriety of Rewarding the Members of the Committee for their services on the occasion

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council concurs with the Board of Revenue in considering that the Agricultural Exhibition at Nellore has been highly successful and desires that the thanks of Govt be conveyed to the Members of the Committee for their services on the occasion

Copy of the above Proceedings.

Revenue

To

The Collector of [illegible]

Dated 25th May 1869.

Read

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G.O. 178 [illegible] 1869.

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Encl. [illegible]

Letter.

Rec. [illegible]

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N.B. Make G. [illegible] Payments incurred in connection with the next Exhibition to be held at Ongole in [illegible]

occasion=

2. Sanction is granted for the expenditure incurred amounting to Rs 3369-5=6, submitted Price lists for the Exhibitions to be held ~~this year~~ at Ongole and Nellore are approved with the amendment proposed in para 10 of the Board's Proceedings.

3. The Board are authorized to convey the Panchayat of Venkatagiry the thanks of Govt for the liberal manner in which they have supported the exhibition.

4. His Excellency in Council has already recorded his appreciation of Mr Dykes' valuable and successful labors in connection with the Exhibitions of the Nellore District in the E.D. under date 19th

would say one at Ongole in 1870 and Nellore in 1871.

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and with the exception of the prizes proposed for pony races which the Govt are of opinion are not called for at present. The Ongole Exhibition may be held next year as proposed and that at Nellore in 1871.

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To Mr A.S.