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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd February 1870.*

No. 269. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th January 1870, No. 585 :—

Read the following letter from the Officiating Collector of Nellore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 15th December 1869, No. 2,469.

With reference to paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings, No. 8,446, dated 15th November 1869, I have the honour to state that, as is shown in Mr. Dykes's report, dated 22nd May 1869, No. 996, paragraph 7, only twelve pages were printed in 1868-69 in the way of "Selections from the Records." These form a continuation of the volume on the subject of settlement of rents, which is still incomplete; further letters on the same subject having yet to be printed.

2. The Order of Government, No. 1,630, of 7th December 1858, refers only to completed volumes of Selections.

SUBMITTED, (together with a copy of Mr. Dykes's letter, dated 22nd May 1869, No. 996,) for the information of Government, with reference to paragraph 3 of their Order, dated 29th September 1869, No. 2,683.

No. 270. ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1870, No. 285.

Miscellaneous.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. WELLESLEY,
Acting Under-Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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ISAKAPALLY, 22nd May 1863.

No. 996.

From J. W. B. DYKES, Esq.,
Collector of Nellore.

To A. MACGREGOR, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Annual Report on the operations of the Printing Press in this District for the Official year 1868-69, with the usual Statements prepared in the prescribed forms.
2. The out-turn of work during the year was Rupees 14,087 against Rupees 13,148 in last year, showing an increase of Rupees 939, as shown in the subjoined abstract:—

Department.	1867-68.			1868-69.				
	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.			Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.		
		RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
Office work	705	4,676	2	4	540	4,272	14	4
District Gazettes (No. of issues.) ...	171	6,554	6	6	157	8,791	8	4
Selections from Records (No. of books.) ...	...	87	8	0	...	30	0	0
Judicial Department	101	340	15	9	5	9	11	0
Engineer do.	83	303	3	8	9	39	1	11
Military do.	...	...	...	...	19	101	4	8
Postal do.	11	15	0	0	5	9	4	0
Telegraph do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Police do.	104	1,042	13	1	63	745	0	4
Jail do.	...	...	...	...	2	2	13	0
Medical do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ecclesiastical do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Educational do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Revenue Settlement do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Private work	34	123	0	0	24	46	6	2
	1,239	13,148	1	4	831	14,087	0	0

3. There has been a decrease in the value of the work done under all the items, except in the District Gazette. In the year under report, the Gazette work has been the most bulky, and for the greatest part occupied the time of the Press. The introduction of the Puttah and Receipt books, has also added to the burden. From these causes, a part of the Judicial forms and other out-door work, had to be refused or postponed.

4. The number of subscribers last year was below 300 during the greater portion of the year, and rose to 502 towards the close. The total number of persons supplied with Gazettes including the public officers, was 629 at the highest, or 400 on the average during the year. In the year under report, there has been a steady increase in the number of subscribers from 629 to 807. The number of Gazettes struck off and issued in each month, is shown in the annexed Statement:—

Months.		Total number of copies actually struck off.	Total number of copies actually issued.
		RS.	RS.
April	1868	5,188	5,159
May	"	19,525	19,361
June	"	15,674	15,555
July	"	6,966	6,886
August	"	10,870	10,805
September	"	6,240	6,224
October	"	11,701	11,701
November	"	7,110	7,083
December	"	7,110	7,083
January	1869	11,092	11,008
February	"	5,778	5,715
March	"	11,463	11,349
Total...		1,18,717	1,17,929

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 THE BOARD OF REVENUE.
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 FEBRUARY.
 Nos. 269-270.
 Selections from Nellore Records.—Deputy
 Proceedings regarding their publication, recorded.

5. In respect to the Office work, though the number of papers printed was less than in last year, the number of copies struck off was much larger; 10,000 Puttah books, and as many Receipt books were struck off, besides 88,000 Puttahs and 72,000 Receipts. The Office work amounted to Rupees 4,272-14-4. A large number of Magisterial forms were struck off to meet two years' supply. The Village forms from No. 1 to 21 with enclosures, have also been supplied.

6. The value of the *District Gazette* struck off, was Rupees 8,791-8-4, showing an increase of Rupees 2,237-1-10. The increase in the circulation is owing chiefly to a large addition of subscriptions from the village officers.

7. Under the head of Selections from records, much was not done. Only 12 pages of the correspondence between the Board and the Collector in 1814, about the settlement of rents have been printed this year. To complete the subject, a half page of the report, and the enclosures have to be done, which will be done shortly.

8. The quantity of work done for the Judicial Department, is only Rupees 9-11-0, opposed to Rupees 340-15-9, last year. In August, when the Press had to take up the work of Puttah and Receipt books, the application for printing from the Court, the Engineer Department, and the Postal Department, had to be refused. Under the head of Private work, all that was received was done, and it amounted to Rupees 46-6-2.

9. The collections and charges during the year under report, are exhibited in D. and E. Statements. The demand for the year including the balance of the previous year, amounted to Rupees 1,113-10-1. The collections during the year have been 693-9-5, of which Rupees 590-13-5 go to the credit of this year's demand, and the remaining Rupees 102-12-0 is advances for 1869-70. The balance at the end of the year, is Rupees 522-12-8, of which Rupees 123 have been collected in April. Steps have been taken to collect the remainder at an early date. The actual demand for the year, exclusive of arrears, is Rupees 1,080-9-1.

10. Under the head of charges appear—

	RS.	A.	P.
1st—Fixed establishment	2,243	10	8
Saderward	35	15	4
Repairs of Press materials	29	14	9
Sundries	12	13	0
Total...	2,564	3	3

In this year, owing to the heavy work of the Gazettes and the Revenue work, three extra hands were employed, the charge incurred on their account, being Rupees 241-13-6.

11. Statement C. exhibits the value of stock on hand, and I beg to state here, that more of out-door work could have been met, if the Press indent for another Press made in 1867-68, had been supplied. A difficulty about materials is also felt. I therefore request that directions may be given to the Superintendent of Press to supply me with all the articles indented for in 1867-68. In July last, the Superintendent was written to, and he replied that the Press was hourly expected. Last month again another reminder was sent.

12. The specimen of forms printed at the Press, will be submitted with a separate communication.

13. Among the accounts, the A. Register has been duly kept. The lists of monthly collections of subscriptions and distributions of the Gazette have been kept, but they were embodied in the Register B. towards the latter part of the year, by a mistake in the Office.

Ed. G. A. Turton.

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Encd. in the Copy of the A. Register to the Secy to Govt. of Madras dated 27th January 1870 No. 385.

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Board of Revenue,

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No. 399.

PROCEEDINGS, 27TH JANUARY 1870, No. 585.

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No. 585.

Selections from records,—printed at Collectors Presses.—Letter from Collector of Nellore reporting, with reference to call of Government for copies of, that only twelve pages were printed in 1868-69, and that these form a continuation of volume on subject of settlement of rents which is still incomplete, submitted to Government.

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