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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th June 1871.*

No. 228. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th March 1871,
No. 99:—

Read the following letter from the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, (Home Department—Public,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Fort William, 17th January 1871, No. 281.

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council having had under consideration the many advantages likely to result from the adoption of one uniform form throughout India for the publication of official Price Currents, I am directed to forward a copy of the Price Current at present in use in the North-Western Provinces as being, perhaps, on the whole the most convenient and complete form yet devised, and to request that the Government of Madras will favour His Excellency with an expression of opinion as to whether there are any, and if so, what alterations or improvements that it would suggest in the form in question prior to its general adoption.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Form of Price Current.

REFERRED to the Revenue Department.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

REFERRED to the Board of Revenue for their remarks.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

25th January 1871.

SOMETHING similar to the form of Price Current used in the North-Western Provinces may be introduced here, but it must be altered considerably.

2. Now that the necessity of reducing the number of periodical forms is seen and acted on, it would be a retrograde step to issue *weekly* instead of monthly lists. The circumstances of the Presidency do not require that prices should be published more than once a-month, and it would be difficult, if not impossible, to publish weekly lists regularly and punctually.

3. The heading, "Prices (quantity per Rupee) per Government Seer of 80 Tolahs," is incorrect, not to say unintelligible.

4. Grain is sold in this Presidency by Measure and not by Weight.

5. The Seer of 80 Tolahs and the Chittak (which the Board suppose is meant by "C.") are neither used in this Presidency nor mentioned in Act. X. of 1870.

6. The articles, respecting which information is wanted here, are not the same as in the North-Western Provinces. Paddy must appear in the list, because the farmers all sell unhusked paddy. The price of salt must be watched. Indigo and cotton are important staples. Rice might be omitted, because its price varies with that of paddy, but should be kept in for purposes of comparison with other parts of India. Oolundoo, which now finds a place in the Madras list, may be omitted.

7. A form drawn up in accordance with these remarks is herewith submitted.

(True, Copy.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
17th June 1871.

No. 1.

No. 229.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Miscellaneous.

SIR,—With reference to your letter, dated 17th January 1871, No. 281, I am directed to transmit herewith a revised form of Price Current proposed by the Board of Revenue, together with copy of their Proceedings, dated 7th March 1871, No. 999, in which the necessity for the revision is explained.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Sd/-) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

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Under No. 2365/71 from
Govt of India. G.O. 27 July/71
A.P. 12/18

PRICES CURRENT
IN CERTAIN DISTRICTS OF NORTHERN INDIA,
For the week ending 7th January, 1871.

[ISSUED AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THE "ALLAHABAD GOVERNMENT GAZETTE" OF 11th JANUARY, 1871.]

PRICES

OF THE SEVERAL ARTICLES NOTED BELOW, IN CERTAIN DISTRICTS, DURING THE WEEK
CORRESPONDING

		PRICES (QUANTITY PER RUPEE) PER								
District Number.	District.	Wheat.			Barley.			Rice.		
		Present week, ending 7th Jany., 1871.	Past week, ending 31st Decr., 1870.	Corresponding week of 1870.	Present week, ending 7th Jany., 1871.	Past week, ending 31st Decr., 1870.	Corresponding week of 1870.	Present week, ending 7th Jany., 1871.	Past week, ending 31st Decr., 1870.	Corresponding week of 1870.
		S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.
Punjab.										
1	Rohtuck, ...	18 8	18 0	8 8	21 0	25 0	16 0	6 0	6 0	6 0
2	Lahore, ...	18 4	18 0	10 4	24 0	24 0	14 0	9 0	9 0	6 0
3	Jullundur, ...	21 8	20 0	10 0	27 0	27 0	14 0	10 0	10 0	8 0
4	Loodiana, ...	21 0	20 3	8 0	33 0	32 0	21 0	7 0	7 8	6 12
5	Hoshearpore, ...	22 0	21 3	9 8	32 0	30 0	13 0	10 0	10 0	7 0
6	Sirsa, ...	16 0	16 0	6 0	28 0	28 0	12 0	...	...	...
7	Hissar, ...	16 0	16 0	11 0	28 0	28 0	13 0	...	...	...
8	Delhi, ...	20 4	19 14	9 8	30 0	31 0	15 9	8 0	8 0	4 8
9	Umballa, ...	20 8	20 8	9 0	30 0	30 0	12 8	...	...	...
10	Ferozepore, ...	18 8	18 0	8 8	27 0	27 0	11 0	8 0	8 0	5 0
11	Kurnaul, ...	19 8	21 0	10 8	33 0	33 0	16 4	...	...	...
12	Umritsur, ...	18 0	18 0	9 8	19 0	18 0	13 0	8 0	8 0	6 8
13	Goorgaon, ...	16 4	16 8	8 4	35 8	35 0	16 12	8 0	8 0	8 0
14	Kangra, ...	19 8	19 0	11 8	34 0	32 0	15 0	12 0	12 0	8 4
N.-W. Provinces.										
15	Dehra Doon, ...	19 0	19 0	10 0	35 0	35 0	12 8	...	...	...
16	Saharunpore, ...	20 8	18 3	10 11	33 6	30 3	15 1	...	...	...
17	Moozuffernuggur, ...	22 0	22 9	11 0	38 8	38 8	13 3	...	...	...
18	Meerut, ...	21 0	21 4	9 10	31 8	31 8	14 10	6 12	6 12	6 0
19	Boodlshuhur, ...	22 0	22 6	9 0	37 8	39 9	16 0	9 0	9 0	7 0
20	Allypore, ...	24 0	23 4	9 0	37 0	33 8	17 0	7 0	7 0	7 0
21	Kumaon, ...	15 0	15 0	11 8	17 0	17 0	12 0	6 0	6 0	6 0
22	Gurhwal, ...	22 0	22 0	17 8	24 0	24 0	28 0	10 0	10 0	8 0
23	Bijnour, ...	22 8	21 4	11 0	36 0	36 0	10 2	17 0	17 0	10 2
24	Moradabad, ...	24 11	24 11	8 7	35 0	35 0	12 8	10 5	10 5	7 8
25	Budaon, ...	24 14	24 14	8 6	40 5	39 9	12 0	6 0	6 0	6 0
26	Bareilly, ...	24 0	23 15	8 6	37 15	37 8	10 3	...	...	...
27	Shahjehanpore, ...	24 6	24 9	9 4	35 0	35 0	10 0	20 2	21 0	10 1
28	Terai Pergunnahs, ...	27 8	27 8	11 12	50 0	50 0	12 8	10 0	10 0	7 8
29	Muttra, ...	21 0	21 0	8 8	35 0	35 0	15 0	10 8	10 8	7 12
30	Agra, ...	22 0	22 1	9 4	33 9	32 9	18 0	13 1	13 8	10 8
31	Farruckabad, ...	22 13	22 5	9 0	34 12	30 6	16 6	6 14	6 14	5 8
32	Mynpoorie, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
33	Etawah, ...	21 8	21 0	9 6	28 0	28 4	14 0	13 0	13 4	10 0
34	Etah, ...	24 0	23 0	8 8	31 0	31 0	16 10	10 0	10 0	8 0
35	Jaloun, ...	21 8	21 8	9 8	19 0	19 0	10 0	9 8	9 0	6 0
36	Jhansie, ...	17 8	17 8	11 4	22 8	22 8	10 0	...	...	6 0
37	Lullupore, ...	21 5	21 5	14 8	50 0	50 0	...	9 0	9 0	6 0
38	Cawnpore, ...	20 3	20 0	9 10	25 12	25 5	14 2	...	...	...
39	Futtehpore, ...	17 8	17 8	9 2	21 8	22 0	12 12	...	...	...
40	Banda, ...	18 6	17 2	9 8	22 8	22 3	13 4	14 12	13 8	12 0
41	Allahabad, ...	17 0	17 0	9 12	21 0	21 8	12 0	...	...	...
42	Humeerpore, ...	18 4	18 0	10 4	28 0	28 0	10 0	7 8	7 8	6 8
43	Jounpore, ...	20 7	19 12	11 4	26 13	26 13	15 8	15 8	15 8	11 4
44	Goruckpore, ...	24 7	23 12	11 7	34 2	32 12	13 15	18 7	16 6	12 4
45	Bustee, ...	25 0	24 0	13 7	30 10	30 0	11 14	8 12	9 6	10 0
46	Azingurh, ...	21 2	20 6	11 11	27 13	28 4	15 4	13 13	12 12	11 8
47	Mirzapore, ...	16 0	13 0	10 0	24 0	24 0	13 0	10 0	10 0	8 0
48	Benares, ...	21 0	19 8	11 0	25 4	25 0	12 13	14 4	14 0	10 8
49	Ghazepore, ...	19 4	18 12	11 4	26 4	26 4	13 12	18 12	18 12	12 8
50	Ajmere, ...	11 8	12 0	6 0	20 0	20 0	8 0	...	...	...
Oudh.										
51	Sultanpore, ...	23 0	23 0	11 8	28 0	26 0	14 8	13 0	14 0	10 0
52	Fertabguri, ...	18 8	19 0	11 0	23 0	26 0	13 12	...	...	...
53	Fyzabad, ...	25 0	23 3	11 12	31 15	31 12	15 1	15 12	15 6	10 1
54	Khree, ...	27 5	27 2	10 12	37 0	37 0	11 8	7 5	7 5	6 10
55	Lucknow, ...	21 6	21 10	10 2	27 0	27 8	14 10	13 0	13 0	10 0
56	Barabunkee, ...	22 8	22 8	9 12	26 0	26 0	13 0	8 0	8 0	6 0
57	Baraitch, ...	28 0	24 0	11 8	38 0	37 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	11 0
58	Roy Bareilly, ...	17 8	17 8	10 0	24 0	22 8	12 0	16 0	15 8	11 0
59	Seetapore, ...	25 0	25 12	10 5	36 4	33 9	12 8	11 0	10 12	9 8
60	Gonda, ...	27 8	26 8	12 12	30 0	29 8	13 4	12 4	11 12	8 8
61	Donao, ...	20 4	20 0	10 4	24 8	24 2	13 8	...	...	...
62	Lurdul, ...	23 10	23 10	10 4	36 0	36 0	...	5 4	5 4	5 0

* These entries do not agree with the corresponding entries of the

† These entries supersede the corresponding entries of the

† Not received.

CURRENT

ENDING 7TH JANUARY, 1871, WITH THE PRICES OF THE PRECEDING WEEK, AND OF THE
WEEK OF 1869.

GOVERNMENT SEER OF 80 TOLAHS.

Bajra.			Jowar.			Rice, common.			Gram.			District Number.
Present week, ending 7th Jany., 1871.	Past week, ending 31st Decr., 1870.	Corresponding week of 1870.	Present week, ending 7th Jany., 1871.	Past week, ending 31st Decr., 1870.	Corresponding week of 1870.	Present week, ending 7th Jany., 1871.	Past week, ending 31st Decr., 1870.	Corresponding week of 1870.	Present week, ending 7th Jany., 1871.	Past week, ending 31st Decr., 1870.	Corresponding week of 1870.	
S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.
23 8	24 0	20 0	26 0	26 0	26 0	14 0	14 0	10 0	21 8	21 0	8 0	1
27 0	21 0	16 0	26 0	26 0	17 7	13 0	13 0	9 8	19 9	19 0	9 6	2
27 0	21 0	16 0	26 0	26 0	14 0	16 0	14 0	8 0	21 0	21 0	13 0	3
27 0	24 0	12 0	32 0	31 0	12 0	16 0	16 0	9 0	24 0	21 8	9 12	4
25 0	24 0	18 0	31 0	33 0	12 0	14 0	14 0	12 0	22 0	21 12	10 8	5
28 0	29 0	17 0	32 0	31 0	18 0	15 0	16 0	9 0	21 0	22 0	10 0	6
25 8	25 0	20 0	29 0	28 0	20 0	14 0	9 0	12 8	20 0	20 0	19 0	7
27 0	26 0	19 8	29 0	28 0	20 0	17 0	17 0	12 0	20 8	18 8	9 2	8
25 15	26 12	19 12	27 14	29 0	23 2	20 0	20 0	12 0	21 0	21 0	10 12	10
29 0	26 0	17 8	38 0	36 0	22 0	12 0	12 0	8 0	23 0	23 0	9 8	11
24 0	23 0	18 8	37 0	26 0	21 8	20 0	17 0	10 0	19 0	20 0	9 2	12
29 0	29 0	19 0	36 0	36 0	20 0	14 0	13 0	9 7	16 0	17 0	9 8	13
22 0	19 0	15 12	25 0	23 0	18 0	15 0	15 0	10 0	16 0	10 0	6 8	14
30 0	30 0	22 4	34 8	35 0	26 0	18 0	18 0	13 0	16 0			15
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
32 0	30 0	16 8	31 0	31 0	16 0	18 0	16 3	10 8	17 8	18 12	8 10	17
36 0	29 2	19 8	39 13	37 11	20 8	16 3	17 9	10 12	19 12	18 11	8 13	18
34 1	33 0	16 8	39 9	39 9	19 13	17 0	17 0	11 0	18 0	17 13	9 4	19
29 11	30 8	16 9	32 0	34 0	19 2	...	...	...	20 0	20 0	10 0	20
30 8	30 8	17 0	34 0	34 2	20 0	17 0	17 0	11 0	12 8	12 8	6 4	21
29 8	29 0	18 0	34 0	32 0	22 8	13 8	13 8	10 0	6 4	6 4	4 0	22
...	...	...	...	...	...	18 0	18 0	14 8	18 0	18 0	9 0	23
...	...	...	...	...	...	18 0	18 0	10 0	22 8	22 8	8 2	24
...	...	...	...	...	...	20 10	20 10	10 6	25 3	24 12	7 8	25
33 0	31 8	15 8	30 0	28 0	16 4	21 0	21 9	11 6	23 12	23 10	8 2	26
35 0	35 10	17 13	37 8	38 12	19 6	21 0	20 14	11 5	20 0	21 0	7 10	27
34 6	34 6	16 7	37 3	38 6	18 9	21 2	22 8	11 0	22 0	22 0	9 0	28
31 15	32 6	17 12	35 0	35 8	19 0	22 2	22 8	11 4	20 8	20 8	9 0	29
31 2	31 13	17 10	31 2	33 3	17 10	22 8	22 8	11 0	24 5	23 0	9 14	30
37 8	37 8	10 0	50 0	50 0	18 0	16 0	...	...	21 4	23 0	9 0	31
30 0	28 8	22 0	35 0	35 0	26 8	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
26 10	26 0	17 2	33 0	33 0	21 14	18 7	19 1	11 0	22 13	23 3	10 12	33
29 8	28 3	16 2	28 10	28 0	16 2	...	...	...	21 0	19 0	7 12	34
...	...	...	...	...	...	17 0	17 0	14 0	22 8	22 8	11 0	35
27 0	26 4	19 8	27 4	27 4	17 8	20 0	20 0	9 4	21 6	22 0	11 4	36
27 0	29 0	17 0	28 0	28 0	25 0	14 0	14 0	10 12	25 4	25 0	13 8	37
25 0	25 0	23 0	27 0	29 0	26 8	11 4	14 0	10 0	20 7	19 6	10 12	38
23 8	23 12	20 8	28 0	29 4	21 2	17 2	17 9	12 9	17 0	17 0	11 6	39
...	...	...	...	...	...	18 0	18 0	12 4	20 2	20 2	13 10	40
25 12	25 0	18 7	25 3	25 3	20 0	16 12	16 3	13 0	15 0	15 8	10 0	41
20 0	21 0	17 8	22 0	23 0	25 4	17 0	16 0	10 0	22 0	22 0	13 8	42
23 0	23 1	21 0	24 4	27 0	17 0	15 8	15 0	10 0	18 0	15 8	11 12	43
21 0	21 0	15 0	22 0	22 0	83 0	19 12	14 8	18 0	22 2	18 12	10 10	44
25 8	25 0	25 0	29 0	80 0	19 8	21 3	26 3	15 15	22 13	18 13	10 15	45
...	...	...	...	...	...	23 5	21 4	11 14	20 0	18 13	10 0	46
...	...	...	...	...	...	23 12	19 5	15 8	16 0	16 0	10 0	47
...	...	...	...	...	...	23 4	19 0	14 0	16 8	16 0	9 15	48
24 1	26 12	21 8	24 11	24 12	18 0	22 0	23 0	17 14	17 5	16 4	11 4	49
21 0	21 0	17 0	21 0	21 0	22 13	20 14	18 12	16 4	13 0	19 0	7 8	50
24 12	26 8	16 15	27 0	26 4	17 8	9 0	7 0	5 8				51
27 8	27 8	15 6	27 8	27 8	11 0	23 0	23 0	15 8	20 0	19 0	10 0	52
18 0	18 0	10 0	22 0	29 0	...	18 0	18 0	14 4	17 0	16 0	11 8	53
...	...	...	...	...	...	23 0	23 0	15 7	24 11	21 5	9 10	54
24 0	24 0	17 0	26 0	25 0	18 8	24 11	21 3	12 0	21 5	22 0	10 13	55
22 8	22 0	16 8	29 0	27 10	22 13	22 2	17 10	12 4	17 0	17 0	9 0	56
26 0	...	14 3	36 6	36 4	22 13	17 8	19 0	12 0	17 0	17 8	12 0	57
37 11	37 10	18 3	37 0	36 4	25 10	19 0	20 0	14 0	22 0	21 0	11 8	58
24 10	25 4	17 4	25 6	28 0	21 0	21 0	20 0	12 8	16 0	16 0	11 0	59
24 0	25 0	14 0	26 0	28 0	26 0	18 0	17 8	12 2	20 4	22 4	11 12	60
...	...	...	...	...	...	22 0	22 0	14 4	23 8	21 8	11 0	61
20 0	22 0	16 0	22 8	35 10	22 0	23 8	17 0	14 0	18 8	18 0	9 0	62
39 14	35 10	18 8	33 8	28 0	27 14	19 0	19 0	10 2	20 4	20 4		
20 8	20 9	18 4	30 0	23 0	19 8	17 0	17 0					
24 6	23 0	19 8	24 0	23 0	18 0							
32 0	32 0	17 8	33 0	32 8	18 0							

NOTE.—As returns of the current prices are sometimes received too late to be made use of, District Officers are

NOTE.

Azimgnrh,	...	Present week, ending 17th December, 1870, the entry for "Wheat" should be
Dehra Doon,	...	Past week, ending 17th December, 1870, the entry for "Gram" should be

Prices Current for week ending the 24th December, 1870.

Prices Current for week ending the 24th December, 1870.

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7TH JANUARY, 1871, WITH THE PRICES OF THE PRECEDING WEEK, AND OF THE WEEK OF 1869.—(Concluded.)

GOVERNMENT SEER OF 80 TOLAH.

requested to be careful so to time the despatch of their returns as to ensure their arrival at Allahabad by Monday morning.

Prices Current for week ending the 31st December, 1870.

		Wheat.		Barley.		Rice.		Bajra.		Jowar.		Rice, Common.		Gram.	
		S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.
Jubbulpore, ...	The entries for this District are—														
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	17	0	12	0	16	0	23	0	28	0	18	0	17	0
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	16	8	12	0	16	0	21	0	27	0	18	0	16	0
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	12	4	5	4	8	0	14	8	20	0	12	0	13	0
Pertabgurh, ...	The entries for this District are—														
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	19	8	26	0	0	0	22	0	25	0	18	0	16	0
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	18	0	25	0	0	0	22	0	25	0	18	0	16	0
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	16	12	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	20	0
Ghazeepore, ...	The entries for this District are—														
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	18	12	26	4	18	12	27	8	27	8	18	12	16	4
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	18	12	26	4	20	0	27	8	30	0	18	12	16	4
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	11	4	13	12	12	8	16	4	17	8	16	4	14	4
Allahabad, ...	The entries for this District are—														
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	17	0	21	8	0	0	21	0	22	0	16	0	15	8
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	17	8	22	0	0	0	21	0	23	0	17	0	4	8
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	9	10	12	0	0	0	15	0	17	0	12	0	9	10

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NOTE.—(Concluded.)

Prices Current for week ending the 31st December, 1870.

		Wheat.	Barley.	Rice.	Bajra.	Jowar.	Rice, Common.	Gram.
		S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.	S. C.
Sultanpore, ...	The entries for this District are—							
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	23 0	26 0	14 0	24 0	26 0	23 0	19 0
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	20 8	26 0	12 0	23 0	26 0	23 0	17 8
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	11 8	14 12	9 0	17 0	16 8	15 8	10 0
Seetapore, ...	The entries for this District are—							
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	25 12	33 9	10 12	35 10	35 10	22 0	22 4
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	25 6	34 1	9 5	36 2	36 2	21 8	21 10
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	10 13	12 4	8 12	8 5	21 5	12 12	10 13
Hooshearpore, ...	The entries for this District are—							
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	21 8	30 0	10 0	29 0	31 0	14 0	21 12
	Past week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	21 8	30 0	10 0	30 0	30 0	14 0	22 8
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	9 4	13 0	7 0	16 0	18 0	12 0	10 8
Barait ch, ...	The entries for this district are—							
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	24 0	37 0	16 0	0 0	36 0	20 0	21 0
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	23 0	36 0	16 0	0 0	32 0	20 0	20 0
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	11 8	16 0	12 0	0 0	27 0	13 0	12 0
Hoshungabad, ...	The entries for this District are—							
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	13 8	8 0	9 0	16 6	24 0	11 0	14 8
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	12 8	8 0	9 0	16 0	25 0	11 0	13 0
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	16 14	8 0	8 0	16 0	25 0	9 0	16 8
Beerbhoom, ...	The entries for this District are—							
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	17 0	0 0	22 0	0 0	0 0	32 0	16 0
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	17 0	0 0	22 0	0 0	0 0	32 0	16 0
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	9 12	0 0	17 0	0 0	0 0	24 0	9 0
Kangra, ...	The entries for this District are—							
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	19 0	32 0	12 0	0 0	0 0	18 0	16 0
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	19 0	32 0	12 0	0 0	0 0	18 0	16 0
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	19 0	32 0	12 0	0 0	0 0	18 0	16 0
Saugur, ...	The entries for this District are—							
	Present week, ending 31st December, 1870, ...	19 8	18 0	0 0	0 0	35 0	14 0	20 0
	Past week, ending 24th December, 1870, ...	19 8	17 0	0 0	0 0	35 0	14 0	19 4
	Corresponding week of 1869, ...	14 0	14 1	0 0	0 0	19 7	9 9	14 9

A. COLVIN,
Secretary, Board of Revenue, N.-W. Provinces.

No. 999.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 7th March 1871.

Read the following letter from A. O. HUME, Esq., C.B., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Fort William, the 17th January 1871, No. 281:—

Home Department—Public.

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council having had under consideration the many advantages likely to result from the adoption of one uniform form throughout India, for the publication of official Price Currents, I am directed to forward a copy of the Price Current at present in use in the North-Western Provinces as being, perhaps, on the whole the most convenient and complete form yet devised, and to request that the Government of Madras will favour His Excellency with an expression of opinion as to whether there are any, and if so, what alterations or improvements that it would suggest, in the form in question prior to its general adoption.

REFERRED to the Revenue Department.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

REFERRED to the Board of Revenue for their remarks.

25th January 1871.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Form of Price Current.

SOMETHING similar to the form of Price Current used in the North-Western Provinces may be introduced here, but it must be altered considerably.

2. Now that the necessity of reducing the number of periodical forms is seen and acted on it would be a retrograde step to issue *weekly* instead of monthly lists. The circumstances of the Presidency do not require that prices should be published more than once a month, and it would be difficult if not impossible to publish weekly lists regularly and punctually.

3. The heading—"Prices (quantity per Rupee) per Government seer of 80 tolahts" is incorrect, not to say unintelligible.

4. Grain is sold in this Presidency by measure and not by weight.

5. The seer of 80 tolahts and the chittak (which the Board suppose is meant by "C") are neither used in this Presidency nor mentioned in Act. X. of 1870.

6. The articles respecting which information is wanted here are not the same as in the North-Western Provinces. Paddy must appear in the list because the farmers all sell unhusked paddy. The price of salt must be watched. Indigo and cotton are important staples. Rice might be omitted because its price varies with that of paddy, but should be kept in for purposes of comparison with other parts of India. Oolundoo, which now finds a place in the Madras list, may be omitted.

7. A form drawn up in accordance with these remarks is herewith submitted.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

J. G. M. L.
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with a form of Price Current.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

No. 1087-

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

Home Department

Sir, With reference to your letter dated 17th January 1871 No. 281, I am directed to transmit herewith a revised form of Price Current proposed by the Board of Revs together with copy of their Proceedings dated 7th March 1871 No. 999 in which the necessity for the revision is explained.

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PROCEEDINGS, 7TH MARCH 1871, No. 999.

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Price Current—Certain alterations recommended to be made in form of, now in use in North-Western Provinces and proposed to be introduced into Madras Presidency.

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