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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
21st September 1871.*

No. 247. Read the following endorsement of the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce, dated 13th September 1871, No. 98 :—

Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, (Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce—Meteorology,) to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Revenue Department, dated Simla, 13th September 1871, No. 97. .

IN reply to your memorandum No. 4,297, dated 1st instant, inquiring whether the fortnightly season reports should be obtained by telegraph from every place in the interior where there is telegraphic communication, or from only the five selected districts referred to in Circular No. 26 of 31st July last, I am directed to state that the reports from the five selected districts will suffice when more cannot be given ; but it will be seen from Circular-letter No. 56, dated 23rd ultimo, that the object is to publish in the *Gazette of India*, every fortnight, a complete resumé of the state of the crops and the prospects of the harvest in every part of India ; if therefore the reports from the five selected stations do not correctly represent the state of the whole of the Bombay Presidency, and there are districts or tracts in which the state of the crops, etc., differs materially from that represented in the reports of the nearest stations, further particulars in regard to such districts or tracts should be embodied.

2. In short, while reports from a very limited number of stations will suffice wherever the local Government are of opinion that these correctly represent the condition of the whole Province or Presidency, the number of these stations may be increased to any extent which the local Government consider necessary to enable a correct picture of the state and prospects of its whole jurisdiction to be presented.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Memorandum from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce, dated Bombay Castle, 1st September 1871, No. 4,297.

THE undersigned presents compliments to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce, and, with reference to paragraph 2 of the letter from that department, No. 57, dated 23rd ultimo, begs to inquire whether it is the desire of the Government of India that fortnightly season reports should be obtained by telegraph from every place in the interior where there is telegraphic communication, or whether they wish that the instructions as to the five selected districts originally given by them in their letter No. 26, dated 31st July last, should be adhered to.

(Signed) W. H. CROWN,
For Chief Secretary.

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COPY of the above and of the memorandum to which it is a reply, forwarded

• Government of Madras.	Resident at Hyderabad.
" Bengal.	Commissioner, East Berar.
" N.-W. Provinces.	" West Berar.
" Punjab.	" Sindh.
Chief Commissioner, Oudh.	Cotton Commissioner, Central Pro-
" Burmah.	vinces and the Berars.
" Central Provinces.	Agent, Govr.-Genl., Central India.
" Mysore and Coorg.	" Rajpootana.

Nos. 26—35, dated 31st July 1871.
" 56—67, " 23rd August 1871.
" 78—93, " 6th September 1871.

for information and
guidance to all local
Governments, Adminis-
trations, and Autho-
rities,* with reference
to the Circular-letters
from this department
noted in the margin.

(Signed) A. O. HUME,
Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 248.

ORDER THEREON, 21st September 1871, No. 1,632.

Miscellaneous.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government

No 3037

Recd. 1871. (Dept.
from Govt of India)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
REVENUE, AND COMMERCE.

[Meteorology.]

CIRCULAR LETTER.

No.

Dated 13 September 1871.

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No 1632

Received

G. H. [Signature]

FORTNIGHTLY Season Reports.

Govt. of {1871} Madras

REVENUE.

To

Dated September 21st.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 21st September 1871, No. 1,632.

SEPTEMBER.

Nos. 247-248.

Fortnightly Season Reports.—Docket of Government of India forwarding letter to Bombay Government relative to obtaining — by telegraph, recorded.