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No. 146. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th August 1871, No. 3,729:—

Read the following letters from Collectors, reporting upon the District Presses for the year 1870-71.

From the Collector of	Ganjam,	dated	9th	May 1871,	No. 510.
,, ,,	Vizagapatam,	,,	19th	April ,,	,, 374.
,, ,,	Godavery,	,,	22nd	,, ,,	,, 129.
,, ,,	Kistna,	,,	5th	May ,,	,, 1,342.
,, ,,	Nellore,	,,	8th	,, ,,	,, 840.
,, ,,	Cuddapah,	,,	9th	,, ,,	,, 90.
,, ,,	Bellary,	,,	5th	,, ,,	,, 169.
,, ,,	Kurnool,	,,	1st	,, ,,	,, 142.
,, ,,	Chingleput,	,,	31st	,, ,,	,, 224.
,, ,,	North Arcot,	,,	25th	April ,,	,, 239.
,, ,,	South Arcot,	,,	10th	May ,,	,, 134.
,, ,,	Tanjore,	,,	25th	April ,,	,, 128.
,, ,,	Trichinopoly,	,,	8th	May ,,	,, 125.
,, ,,	Madura,	,,	26th	,, ,,	,, 158.
,, ,,	Tinnevelly,	,,	24th	April ,,	,, 171.
,, ,,	Coimbatore,	,,	6th	May ,,	,, 128.
,, Commissioner of	Nilgiris,	,,	12th	,, ,,	,, 48.
,, Collector of	Salem,	,,	23rd	,, ,,	,, 1,399.
,, ,,	South Canara,	,,	5th	July ,,	,, 921.
,, ,,	Malabar,	,,	30th	June ,,	,, 150.

THE Board resolve to submit to Government a file of the printed reports of the Collectors on the working of the District Presses during the year 1870-71, together with the prescribed statements illustrative of the results.

	Rs.
1857-58	28,186
1858-59	42,298
1859-60	53,262
1860-61	64,166
1861-62	81,284
1862-63	92,034
1863-64	1,10,704
1864-65	1,32,414
1865-66	1,48,604
1866-67	1,56,260
1867-68	1,89,126
1868-69	2,33,461
1869-70	2,28,883
1870-71	2,41,291

2. The annexed table shows the quantity and value of work done in comparison with that of the preceding year. More work has been done under all heads excepting "District Gazettes" and "printing of Selections from Records." The main result is a net increase of Rs. 12,408 in the value of the total work turned out by the several District Presses, which amounted to Rs. 2,41,291, being the highest figure yet reached.

Items.	1869-70. Number of Papers.	1869-70. Value of Work.	1870-71. Number of Papers.	1870-71. Value of Work.	Increase or decrease in the value of Work.
		RS.		RS.	RS.
Office-work...	8,652	55,512	8,882	67,135	+11,623
District Gazettes	1,101	1,51,461	932	1,50,373	—1,088
Selections from Records	65	1,363	322	1,011	— 352
Judicial Department	1,833	6,201	1,897	6,951	+ 750
Other Public Offices	2,263	10,952	2,314	12,276	+1,324
Private work	1,255	3,394	1,322	3,545	+ 151
Total...	15,169	2,28,883	15,669	2,41,291	+12,408

3. From January 1871 the District Gazettes have been issued fortnightly instead of weekly. The price also has been reduced from Rs. 2-4-0 to Rs. 1-8-0 to the public, and from Rs. 1-8-0 to 12 Annas to Village-officers, etc. This change in the issue of the Gazette accounts for the decrease in the number of issues and value of the work under this head; the circulation, however, has been increased, except in a few districts, as will be seen from the following comparative table. The Board are glad to observe that the change from a weekly to a fortnightly issue has been productive of some relief to the Press establishments and to the Collectors' offices. It has led also to some improvement in the general appearance of the Gazettes owing, as Mr. VansAgnew observes, to the greater leisure afforded for getting them into shape.

NOTE.—Except in Malabar where the weekly issue has been permitted to continue.

Districts.	1869-70. On full subscription.	1869-70. On reduced subscription.	1869-70. Total.	1870-71. On full subscription.	1870-71. On reduced subscription.	1870-71. Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Ganjam	75	80	155	65	63	128
Vizagapatam ...	27	34	61	26	42	68
Godavery	145	938	1,083	150	1,077	1,227
Kistna	40	977	1,017	57	1,330	1,387
Nellore	50	661	711	57	686	743
Cuddapah	24	1,087	1,111	29	1,097	1,126
Bellary	44	688	732	54	1,029	1,083
Kurnool	24	763	787	28	759	787
Chingleput	31	358	389	29	259	288
North Arcot ...	27	260	287	48	149	197
South Arcot ...	35	792	827	33	784	817
Tanjore	73	2,964	3,037	94	2,984	3,078
Trichinopoly ...	20	718	738	21	704	725
Madura	77	291	368	87	288	375
Tinnevelly	93	460	553	98	476	574
Coimbatore... ...	41	650	691	46	675	721
Nilgiris	67	16	83	31	10	41
Salem	45	407	452	59	456	515
South Canara ...	130	626	756	135	638	773
Malabar	87	637	724	112	652	764
Total...	1,155	13,407	14,562	1,259	14,158	15,417

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4. In three districts the increase in circulation has been large. In the Kistna, where it has been the largest, it is attributed partly to the improved get-up of the Gazette, and partly to the fact that manuscript instructions relating to Revenue and Judicial matters have been discontinued, and so the Talook and Village-officers have been compelled to subscribe to the Gazette, in order to acquaint themselves with orders affecting them.

	1869-70. Number of Subscribers.	1870-71. Number of Subscribers.
Godavery	1,083	1,227
Kistna	1,017	1,387
Bellary	732	1,083

5. In five districts the number of subscribers had fallen off. The largest decrease was in Chingleput: it is attributed to the Gazette having been discontinued to defaulting subscribers.

	Number of Subscribers. 1869-70.	1870-71.	Difference.
Ganjam... ...	155	128	27
Chingleput ...	389	288	101
South Arcot	287	197	90
Trichinopoly ...	738	725	13
Nilgiris	83	41	42

6. The Collectors of Nellore, Kurnool, and Cuddapah, again bring to notice, that the present postal arrangements cause great delay in the delivery of Gazettes to subscribers in the villages. The subject should be reported to the Board in a separate communication, and any remedies that may suggest themselves, after communication with the Postmaster-General, should be clearly stated. The Gazettes should certainly be despatched in packets of a convenient size, and if this was done the Board do not understand why they should not all be forwarded in two or three days at any rate. As to the delivery from the Talook Office the only possible plan (as the Board have frequently observed) is that described in paragraph 19 of their Proceedings No. 5,795, dated 19th September 1870.

7. The Collector of the Kistna suggests that the District Gazettes should be printed on Double Double Potts printing paper (thin), except those for Public Offices, as thereby the frequent delay that now occurs in their despatch by post, owing to the increased bulk of the fortnightly Gazettes, might be avoided. He also considers that much work would be saved in the printing if Gazettes were supplied to villagers in the vernacular only. The suggestion is apparently a good one, and Collectors of other districts will be good enough to favour the Board with their opinion on it. There are, it is obvious, many parts of the Gazette which it is quite unnecessary to circulate in the villages.

8. During the year under notice selections from the old records were printed in ten districts, as detailed below:—

GODAVERY.—Latter part of Mr. Skinner's 1st report on the resources of the 2nd Division, with one of its enclosures.

A portion of Mr. Skinner's 2nd report on do.

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NELLORE.—Correspondence relating to the settlement of rents.

CUDDAPAH.— Do. of Land-revenue of the district.

BELLARY.—Correspondence relating to Instructions to Messrs. Cochrane, Thackeray, Stoddart, and Græme, Collectors of the Ceded Districts in December 1800.

Correspondence relating to the various forms of cowles which may be granted in May 1801.

Correspondence relating to the condition of the Poligars of Annagoondy and Hurpanhully in July 1801.

Correspondence relating to the fixing a nerrick on articles of consumption for the benefit of travellers.

Correspondence relating to the institution of a general system of Police in April 1803.

Correspondence relating to the certain proposed conditions on which diamond mines, which have been discontinued, may be permitted to be again opened in the Ceded Districts in July 1804.

KURNOOL.—Correspondence regarding the assumption of Kurnool.

NORTH ARCOT.—Reports on the interference of the Rajahs of Calastry and Carvetnugger in the disputed succession to the Muttawar Polliems, with enclosures by Mr. George Stratton, Collector of North Arcot.

SOUTH ARCOT.—A memoir on the internal Revenue system of the Madras Presidency.

TRICHINOPOLY—Mr. H. Dickinson's Jummahbundy Report for Fusly 1236 (1826-27.)

SALEM.—Captain Read's letter to Assistant Collector of Salem, regarding the system of Revenue.

MALABAR.—Mr. Smee's report on the Malabar District, dated 21st August 1799.

9. In the districts of Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Kistna, Tanjore, Madura, and South Canara, in which some selections were printed during the year 1869-70, nothing was done in the year under review, owing generally to the pressure of current work. The Collectors of Vizagapatam, Coimbatore, Chingleput, and Madura, promise that something will be done in this direction in 1871-72. In Tinnevelly no attempt has yet been made to print selections, and the Collector simply states in his present report that nothing was done. It is time that a beginning should be made, and Mr. Puckle will be good enough to make out a list of papers worth printing and submit it for the Board's approval.

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10. The financial results of the year are exhibited in the abstract Statement below:—

Items.	Balance at the end of 1869-70.	Deduct remissions.	Remainder in the beginning of 1870-71.	Demand of 1870-71.	Total.	Collections.	Balance.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Work done for private individuals	109	21	88	3,628	3,716	3,393	323
2. Subscriptions to District Gazettes	2,483	2	2,481	20,048	22,529	19,693	2,836
3. Sundry receipts	19	...	19	2,010	2,029	2,006	23
Total...	2,611	23	2,588	25,686	28,274	25,092	3,182

11. Inclusive of the balance of Rs. 2,588 at the end of the previous year, (less sums written off), the demand of 1870-71 amounted to Rs. 28,274 against 31,813 in 1869-70, Rs. 25,092 of this demand were realized, leaving a balance of Rs. 3,182 at the end of the past year. The whole of the decrease in the demand occurs in the item of subscription to the District Gazette, in consequence of the reduction of the rates of subscription in the last quarter of the year. It was particularly large in Tanjore (Rs. 1,168) and in Tinnevelly (Rs. 469).

12. The increase of Rs. 311 under the head Income from "Private Work" occurred chiefly in Ganjam, North Arcot, Tanjore, and Malabar. The balance of Rs. 323 which remained uncollected at the end of the year has been reduced to Rs. 129 by subsequent collections noted by Collectors in their reports.

13. The balance outstanding against the subscribers to District Gazettes, which amounted to Rs. 2,836, has also been diminished by Rs. 830, subsequently recovered. It is still, however, very large.

	Subscription to District Gazettes.			Private work.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Kistna	14	1	0	...	...	...
Cuddapah	...	...	...	0	14	0
Coimbatore	1	12	0	...	...	...
Nilgiris	3	0	0	...	...	...
Salem	...	...	...	0	9	0
South Canara	2	14	0	...	...	...

14. The Board accord their sanction to the sums noted in the margin being written off the accounts as irrecoverable.

15. The charges of the year amounted to Rs. 57,982, or Rs. 3,000 more than those of the year previous. The whole of this increase was in the purchase of stock, and was occasioned by the complete adjustment of all old balances due to the Superintendent of the Government Press, whose official connection with the supply of materials for the Collectorate Presses ceased with the commencement of the year under review.

16. The financial return shows that work valued at Rs. 2,41,291 was executed at a total cost of Rs. 57,982, being about 24 per cent. of the former and representing a working profit to Government of Rs. 1,83,300. In this calculation, however, the interest on capital sunk on the plant is left out. This capital is represented by Rs. 1,14,007, the estimated value of the presses and printing materials on hand.

17. The registers and accounts connected with the work of the presses are reported to have been regularly and correctly kept everywhere except in Ganjam, the Collector of which district has omitted to make mention of the subject.

18. Vizagapatam and Tanjore are the only two districts in which the forms of accounts and abstracts required for Huzur and Talook Cutcherries have not yet been printed. In the former a commencement has been made, and in the latter other work was so heavy that there was no leisure for this.

19. The subject of deficient or misappropriated Stationery in the District Press Office alluded to in paragraph 10 of the Kistna Collector's report should have been brought forward in a separate communication for the orders of the Board. The Board will accordingly dispose of it in separate Proceedings.

ENCLOSURE A. TO No. 1.

STATEMENT showing the charges of the several Collectorate Presses during the official year 1870-71.

Districts.	Fixed Establishment.	Saderward.	Contingencies.			Total.	Grand Total.
			Extra Establishment.	Repairs of Press materials.	Purchase of Stock.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Ganjam	2,493 14 9	37 11 0	34 7 5	2 0 0	623 1 0	659 8 5	3,191 2 2
2. Vizagapatam	2,214 3 4	84 12 6	94 1 7	32 2 0	200 0 0	326 3 7	2,625 3 5
3. Godavery	2,252 8 3	65 2 10	141 7 0	11 11 0	641 1 0	794 3 0	3,111 14 1
4. Kistna	2,182 13 10	74 3 0	124 10 8	.....	168 8 0	293 2 8	2,550 3 6
5. Nellore	2,253 2 7	47 15 9	243 13 0	30 7 1	873 9 2	1,147 13 3	3,448 15 7
6. Cuddapah	2,238 2 11	49 3 11	335 0 1	20 0 0	278 0 0	633 0 1	2,920 6 11
7. Bellary	2,235 1 5	69 0 8	276 0 0	93 8 0	1 0 0	370 8 0	2,674 10 1
8. Kurnool	2,231 1 3	104 12 7	240 0 0	10 0 0	424 12 0	674 12 0	3,010 9 10
9. Chingleput	2,245 0 9	29 15 4	30 6 11	.....	983 3 0	1,013 9 11	3,288 10 0
10. North Arcot	2,767 0 0	110 0 0	.....	.....	629 0 0	629 0 0	3,506 0 0
11. South Arcot	2,255 0 0	118 2 6	152 1 11	25 15 0	450 8 0	628 8 11	3,001 11 5
12. Tanjore	2,254 8 0	31 15 7	459 12 6	9 8 0	1,048 0 0	1,517 4 6	3,803 12 1
13. Trichinopoly	2,226 8 4	39 12 5	.....	.....	228 13 0	228 13 0	2,495 1 9
14. Madura	2,251 10 9	37 13 9	.....	.....	346 10 6	346 10 6	2,636 3 0
15. Tinnevelly	2,232 9 7	75 7 9	.....	.....	817 8 5	817 8 5	3,125 9 9
16. Coimbatore	2,252 8 3	152 7 11	25 15 0	8 2 0	384 10 0	418 11 0	2,823 11 2
17. Nilgiri Hills	1,091 9 4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,091 9 4
18. Salem	2,248 6 0	51 14 10	17 12 10	3 8 0	343 14 0	365 2 10	2,665 7 8
19. South Canara	2,254 12 3	74 2 6	.....	.....	502 4 0	502 4 0	2,831 2 9
20. Malabar	2,850 8 0	94 11 2	19 14 3	.....	214 15 3	234 13 6	3,180 0 8
Total ...	45,031 1 7	1,349 6 0	2,195 7 2	246 13 1	9,159 5 4	11,601 9 7	57,982 1 2

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No. 1.—Statement showing the operation of the several Collectorate Presses,

Districts.	REVENUE					
	Office-work.			District		
	Number of Papers.	Value in Rupees.	Total number of issues.	Number of		
				Free.	On pay	
					Full subscription.	Reduced subscription.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Ganjam	507	8,717	45	5,998	2,995	2,819
Vizagapatam	228	4,292	44	5,994	1,272	1,870
Godavery	292	2,940	45	8,612	8,205	58,980
Kistna...	155	1,692	44	6,274	2,487	58,135
Nellore	936	5,610	43	12,485	5,504	64,067
Cuddapah	247	1,792	43	5,329	1,244	47,148
Bellary	341	3,905	43	6,727	2,294	44,750
Kurnool	153	1,758	46	5,186	1,251	34,953
Chingleput	628	3,676	44	5,431	1,297	12,414
North Arcot	1,423	4,147	46	6,795	2,158	6,571
South Arcot	526	2,160	43	5,925	1,423	34,064
Tanjore	515	3,824	42	7,817	3,924	1,25,167
Trichinopoly	226	1,483	45	4,839	942	31,713
Madura	424	2,396	43	6,560	3,700	12,567
Tinnevelly	289	1,798	48	7,388	4,691	23,169
Coimbatore	283	1,782	49	6,782	2,241	33,013
Nilgiri Hills	...	...	24	1,240	746	252
Salem	847	5,976	43	5,476	2,482	19,001
South Canara... ...	246	6,558	43	5,981	5,711	27,352
Malabar	506	3,229	49	10,588	5,487	31,933
Total ...	8,882	67,135	932	1,31,427	60,004	6,69,938

SURE No. 1.
in the Madras Presidency, during the official year 1870-71.

DEPARTMENT.						JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.	
Gazette.			Selections from Records.				
Copies.							
ment.	Total.	Value in Rs.	Number of Papers.	Value in Rs.	Total value in Rs.	Number of Papers.	Value in Rs.
Total.							
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
5,814	11,812	3,566	...	...	12,283	44	188
3,142	9,136	4,696	...	...	8,988	29	151
67,185	75,797	7,377	1	125	9,717	109	735
60,572	66,846	8,763	...	...	10,455	13	39
69,571	82,056	9,473	...	82	15,083	87	349
48,392	53,721	9,786	2	224	11,578	9	50
47,044	53,771	10,984	9	30	14,889	...	...
36,204	41,390	7,304	6	30	9,062	180	609
13,711	19,142	2,835	...	...	6,511	126	568
8,729	15,524	5,705	1	224	9,852	118	234
35,487	41,412	4,436	300	151	6,596	249	676
1,29,091	1,36,908	16,049	...	...	19,873	216	938
32,635	37,494	9,117	1	78	10,600	113	225
16,267	22,827	6,196	...	...	8,592	120	543
27,860	35,248	6,655	...	...	8,453	61	126
35,254	42,036	8,653	...	...	10,435	102	406
998	2,238	1,091	...	...	1,091	...	...
21,483	26,959	6,754	1	17	12,730	46	158
33,063	39,044	11,184	...	...	17,742	26	160
37,420	48,008	9,749	1	50	12,978	249	796
7,29,942	8,61,369	1,50,373	322	1,011	2,17,508	1,897	6,951

No. 1.—STATEMENT showing the operation of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency, etc.—(*Concluded.*)

District.	OTHER PUBLIC OFFICES.		TOTAL GOVERNMENT WORK.		PRIVATE WORK.		GRAND TOTAL.	
	Number of Papers.	Value in Rupees.	Number of Papers.	Value in Rupees.	Number of Papers.	Value in Rupees.	Number of Papers.	Value in Rupees.
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Ganjam ...	190	1,225	876	13,696	223	525	1,099	14,221
Vizagapatam ...	14	64	315	9,203	29	70	344	9,273
Godavery ...	21	73	478	10,650	2	23	480	10,673
Kistna... ...	77	280	289	10,774	16	34	305	10,808
Nellore ...	58	782	1,194	16,296	90	46	1,284	16,342
Cuddapah ...	20	52	321	11,904	17	31	338	11,935
Bellary ...	38	130	431	15,049	1	15	432	15,064
Kurnool ...	100	629	485	10,330	29	117	514	10,447
Chingleput ...	118	531	916	7,610	2	14	918	7,624
North Arcot ...	291	1,520	1,879	11,830	85	305	1,964	12,135
South Arcot ...	116	756	1,234	8,179	79	214	1,313	8,393
Tanjore ...	189	672	962	21,483	169	609	1,131	22,092
Trichinopoly ...	221	1,305	606	12,208	26	84	632	12,292
Madura ...	192	905	779	10,040	74	307	853	10,347
Tinnevelly ...	45	153	443	8,732	49	149	492	8,881
Coimbatore ...	62	275	496	11,116	117	127	613	11,243
Nilgiri Hills ...	...	...	24	1,091	...	...	24	1,091
Salem	260	1,535	1,197	14,440	66	111	1,263	14,551
South Canara...	82	569	397	18,471	36	60	433	18,531
Malabar ...	220	820	1,025	14,644	212	704	1,237	15,348
Total...	2,314	12,276	14,347	2,37,746	1,322	3,545	15,669	2,41,291

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ENCLOSURE No. 2.

STATEMENT showing the receipts of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency, during the official year 1870-71.

Districts.	OUTSTANDING BALANCE AT THE CLOSE OF 1869-70.			DEMAND OF THE YEAR.				Total of Columns 5 and 8.	Collection during the year.	Balance.
	Actual balance.	Deduct amount of irrecoverable balance written off.	Remainder.	On account of private Work.	Subscription to the District Gazette.	Sundry Receipts.	Total.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Ganjam	.....	.....	.....	525 8 11	230 1 3	216 14 10	972 9 0	972 9 0	844 9 5	127 15 7
2. Vizagapatam	.....	.....	.....	70 7 6	142 8 0	3 2 0	216 1 6	216 1 6	216 1 6	.....
3. Godavery	42 3 0	.....	42 3 0	23 8 0	1,482 9 0	263 1 0	1,768 2 0	1,810 5 0	1,524 15 0	285 6 0
4. Kistna	541 0 4	.....	541 0 4	84 8 0	1,867 5 8	41 7 9	1,944 5 0	2,484 5 4	2,175 1 5	309 3 11
5. Nellore	177 1 6	.....	177 1 6	46 7 0	1,016 8 0	89 9 10	1,152 8 10	1,829 10 4	1,059 2 1	270 8 3
6. Cuddapah	553 12 0	.....	553 12 0	31 12 6	1,534 2 6	192 14 0	1,758 13 0	2,311 9 0	2,145 6 0	166 3 0
7. Bellary	7 8 0	7 8 0	.....	54 9 0	1,371 3 0	.....	1,425 12 0	1,425 12 0	1,425 12 0	.....
8. Kurnool...	90 4 1	.....	82 12 1	117 6 8	1,149 5 9	0 6 0	1,267 2 5	1,349 11 6	1,169 0 6	180 13 0
9. Chingleput	403 13 11	.....	403 13 11	14 0 0	450 7 0	0 10 0	460 8 4	868 14 11	453 2 0	415 12 11
10. North Arcot	.....	.....	.....	305 6 4	297 2 0	.....	602 8 4	602 8 4	602 8 4	.....
11. South Arcot	422 0 5	.....	422 0 5	213 15 3	1,109 3 0	118 1 7	1,323 2 3	1,745 2 8	734 2 4	1,011 0 4
12. Tanjore...	1 11 6	.....	1 11 6	608 13 1	3,260 2 6	70 8 6	3,987 1 2	3,988 12 8	3,988 12 8	.....
13. Trichinopoly	146 5 0	.....	146 5 0	84 7 8	907 7 0	347 12 1	1,123 2 2	1,208 7 2	1,006 3 8	213 3 6
14. Madura	.....	.....	.....	307 5 6	588 0 6	48 5 0	1,243 2 1	1,243 2 1	1,243 2 1	.....
15. Tinnevelly	.....	.....	.....	189 15 9	517 8 0	4 7 0	755 7 9	755 7 9	755 7 9	.....
16. Coimbatore	72 5 9	.....	72 5 9	126 9 5	966 15 0	1,097 15 5	1,170 5 2	1,093 15 8	1,093 15 8	77 5 6
17. Nilgiri Hills	53 8 0	.....	53 8 0	.....	450 7 0	179 7 0	232 15 0	226 9 0	226 9 0	6 6 0
18. Salem	14 7 10	7 11 0	6 13 10	111 2 2	178 15 0	0 8 0	914 3 0	914 3 0	850 7 6	43 11 6
19. South Canara	66 14 3	.....	66 14 3	60 10 4	706 10 0	109 10 0	927 6 2	1,585 5 10	1,503 4 2	59 15 11
20. Malabar...	18 13 0	.....	18 13 0	702 4 0	1,160 4 0	473 10 6	1,893 2 0	1,911 15 0	1,895 13 0	18 2 0
Total...	2,610 12 7	22 11 0	2,588 1 7	3,627 13 1	20,048 0 9	2,010 5 1	25,686 2 11	28,274 4 6	25,091 8 1	3,182 12 5

No. 147. ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1871, No. 1,792.

Miscellaneous.

THE foregoing Proceedings of the Board relate to the working of the Collectorate Presses during the year 1870-71, and are accompanied by a file of the reports on the subject received from each district.

2. The report shows an increase of Rs. 12,408 in the aggregate estimated value of the work turned out, and is therefore conclusive as to the increased use which is made of the Presses; but some of the Collectors should give greater prominence to the actual cash receipts and disbursements as compared with those of preceding years. Cash receipts, which are made up of subscriptions to the Gazette, the proceeds of work executed for private individuals and "sundry receipts" supply a most useful test of the real position which the Press in each district occupies in regard to the public, and the Government would be interested in learning whether in all cases the prices realized from private individuals correspond with the valuation imposed on work performed for Government. The Collector of Chingleput, in submitting his report for the current year, might take the opportunity of comparing the valuation ...e with the rates now imposed by private Presses in Madras.

3. The subjoined statement shows the financial results of District Presses during 1869-70 and 1870-71:—

Year.	Gross Charges.	Cash Receipts.	Estimated value of work performed for Government.	Total of two preceding columns.	Estimated net profit to Government calculated on columns 2 & 5.
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1869-70 ...	55,783	29,202	1,99,681	2,28,883	1,73,100
1870-71 ...	57,982	25,092	2,16,199	2,41,291	1,83,309

The figures given in column 4 are arrived at simply by deducting the "cash receipts" from the "total value" of work performed, the Board having omitted to show separately in the case of District Gazettes the valuation imposed on those which are supplied free of charge. The statement in paragraph 10 of the Board's Proceedings of "work done for private individuals" differs from that in enclosure one (column 21). The columns in enclosure one, having reference to the "number of papers" printed, convey a very imperfect criterion of quantity, and may be omitted in next year's report.

4. The increase in charges of Rs. 2,199 (not Rs. 3,000, as observed by the Board) is due to purchase of stock, owing to the adjustment of old balances due to the Superintendent Government Press. The falling off in "cash receipts" is hardly so satisfactorily explained; but the greater portion of it is due to the issue,

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5. The Government do not approve of the action taken by the Collector of the Kistna District in practically compelling all the village-officers to subscribe to the Gazette. The orders bearing directly on their discharge of official duties, and for obeying which they are held responsible should be communicated to them free of any charge.

6. The Government note with much satisfaction that although no very great progress was made in the year under report, still attention is steadily directed to printing valuable selections from the early records in the districts. They attach much importance to this work as a most valuable aid to just administration, and trust that all Collectors will keep it constantly in view as an essential part of their Press results.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Postmaster-General.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Department.

No. 1792.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 13 October 1871.

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting Report on working of District Presses during 1870-71 } R. L. 30 Aug.t 1871, No. 3729

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	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
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1870-71.	57,982.	25,092.	216,199.	241,291	183,309

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