is very easily obtained by a few individuals, and anything like general improvement in the breed of cattle is, in my opinion, neither effected nor to be expected.

7. In illustration I give the following incident:—At the Nellore Show Mr. Thacker asked the owner of a successful five-year old cow from the north, which from first to last had won some Rs. 500 in prizes, whether he would sell her, and if so, at what price. The man replied that as she could win no more prizes, she was of no further use to him, and he would, therefore, part with her for Rs. 100. I may further mention that Mr. Simpson, who has resided for thirty-five years in the district, assured the Committee that the northern cattle were just as good thirty-years ago as now.

8. I admit the good consequent on the production of this small number of animals of superior excellence, but the question recurs, is the attainment of so much or so little good worth all the outlay of past years, and should public money continue to be spent in the attainment and maintenance of just so much and no more public good.

9. So many sanguine expectations have been hitherto indulged in, and so many encomiums have been passed upon these Cattle Shows that I do not flatter myself that much weight will now be attached to my remarks. I perform the invidious task of recording them, because the subject involving a considerable expenditure of public money, it is my duty to state the opinion I have formed, and I may add that in this opinion I am authorized to state that Mr. Thacker, the Veterinary Surgeon on special duty, entirely concurs with me.

10. Assuming, however, that the northern Show is to be continued as hitherto, I beg to assure the Board that no effort will be wanting on my part to make it as successful as possible; and in reference to the remarks of the Committee, I am certainly of opinion that if Shows are held at all, they must be held annually, and that the next one should be at Addanki, when, if not more successful than the one under report, the question of the expediency of permanently transferring future Shows to Ongole should be decided.

11. I now turn to the very unfavourable report of the Committee upon the Agricultural Exhibition held at Nellore. Bearing in mind that this Show was held annually between the years 1864 to 1869, and can therefore no longer be considered to be of an experimental character, and that the last Show held in 1869, on the occasion of His Excellency the Governor's visit, was exceptionally successful, I am bound to say that the criticisms of the Committee are not unduly severe, and that the general feeling of discouragement was amply justified by facts. There was literally scarcely anything on the ground worthy of public exhibition, except the northern cattle that were brought down to compete for the first prizes.

12. Under these very discouraging circumstances, I called a meeting of the full Committee on the day following the Exhibition, and I invited full discussion of the question, whether or not the Show should be maintained or abandoned.

13. It was admitted on all hands that, while a Show is maintained either at Addanki or Ongole in January, it is quite unnecessary, as far as the northern cattle are concerned, to hold a Show at Nellore also in February; and it was further admitted by all that, in regard to the exhibition of cattle from the southern or principal division of the district, the result had been a complete failure.

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14. Considering that on this occasion all but the first prizes had been exclusively reserved to the southern cattle, and that this provision had been duly advertised, and could scarcely have escaped the knowledge of cattle-owners possessed of any real interest in the Show the logical conclusion that forced itself on many, chiefly the European element of the Committee, was that the continuance of the Nellore Show being unnecessary for the northern cattle, and being obviously regarded with complete indifference by the southern cattle-owners, who would not even take the trouble to show the good cattle which they admittedly possess, good cause existed why it should no longer be kept up at the public expense.

15. This conclusion was resisted by a good many members. These contended that the southern cattle-owners felt it hopeless to compete with cattle from the north, and that there were grounds to suppose that the provision, restricting northern competition to the first prizes alone, was not generally known and understood, and that probably as long as northern cattle were admitted on any terms, the effect would be to prevent the ignorant southerners from competing with any genuine interest. It was also urged that partly owing to no Exhibition having been held at Nellore last year, there had for some time been an impression abroad that there would be none this year.

16. While admitting the possibility, though certainly not the probability, of these contentions being based on valid grounds, and being anxious that, if the Nellore Show after surviving for so many years is to be permanently abolished as a failure, there should be no sort of uncertainty as to the cause for such abolition, those members of the Committee, to whose opinion I first referred, were glad to be able to join in the unanimous resolution to recommend that an Exhibition be held next year, from which all cattle not owned by inhabitants of the principal division should be excluded.

17. At the same time as it was considered highly desirable to encourage rather than to discourage the introduction into the south of the superior northern cattle, it was determined to recommend the cancelment of the rule which at present renders it necessary that all cattle exhibited by southern owners should have been bred and raised in the principal division. But to guard at the same time against the purchase for the immediate purpose of exhibition of northern cattle by southern owners, and as the only adequate means of testing the *bona fides* of such purchases, it was resolved to impose a condition that such ownership should have extended over a certain fixed period, and that certificates of such purchases be required.

18. The Committee were of opinion that, properly speaking, not less than one year should be the period, but with a view to admit of animals so purchased being exhibited next year they fixed nine months. If, however, the orders of Government on the question are not speedily passed, it will be matter for consideration whether the period should not, for the purpose of next year's Show, if decided upon, be reduced to six months.

19. In their recommendation to reduce by half all the prizes for sheep and goats, except those for flocks of ewes, the Committee were unanimously actuated by the feeling that the prizes at present fixed are ridiculously disproportioned to the character of the very inferior animals usually exhibited. Of the six superior rams

that were imported into the district on the occasion of the Show in 1869, and in regard to which sanguine expectations were expressed in the report, nothing was heard, and certainly no results were visible.

20. A proposal was made at the meeting by a gentleman of great experience to reduce the prizes for cotton as being unnecessarily high with reference to the present conditions of Exhibition, which admit of the requisite quantity being raised in a garden under a well for the sole object of taking these large prizes. On discussion the Committee were of opinion that the object of the prizes being to encourage the growth of superior field cotton grown in the ordinary way, the samples shown should be the certified produce of a minimum area, which they accordingly fixed for the present at five acres. Under this condition they resolved to recommend the maintenance of the prizes at their present figure.

21. The resolution in favour of distributing the amount for salt in double the number of reduced prizes was unanimously arrived at on the representation of the experienced Deputy-Collector in charge of that department, to the effect that high prizes were not so necessary as encouragement to a larger number of salt manufacturers to commence their manufacture early in the season. The fact is these people really exhibit their salt only at the instance of the Salt Department, and are quite content with a moderate reimbursement of their expenses.

22. In conclusion, I beg to state that all the above recommendations of the Committee have my cordial support. The Nellore Agricultural Exhibition, putting altogether aside the northern cattle, has, as far as I can judge, never been a real success.—That of 1869 was evidently, when judged by present results, but a fictitious success, due entirely to His Excellency the Governor's visit, which again led to the presence of the Rajah of Vencatagherry and other territorial magnates, all of whom naturally, under the circumstances, displayed a great interest in the Exhibition. But except under the provocation of a gubernatorial visit, it is no use attempting to disguise the unmistakeable fact that our district nobility do not care a button for Agricultural Exhibitions. While congratulating himself on their co-operation in 1869, Mr. Dykes plainly avowed in his report that the co-operation of the large landed proprietors was essential to real success. He said that successful Exhibitions could no more be held in this country without their cordial help than they could be in Great Britain were the nobility and landed proprietors to stand aloof and leave the Shows to be supported entirely by the officers of Government and the farmers. In this view, I entirely concur with Mr. Dykes, but like his my wishes are not father to my thoughts, and I am not sanguine enough to anticipate. I won't say genuine, independent, sustained interest—but any sort of interest on the part of our principal land-holders in the Nellore Exhibition—except when the same may be patronized by the Governor in person.

23. With the above remarks I request that sanction may be obtained for Shows to be held at Addanki and Nellore on the 18th and 19th January, and the 15th and 16th February next, and for the modification of the Nellore Prize List and conditions of Exhibition in accordance with the resolutions of the Committee. Early orders are requested.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Report on the Addanki Cattle Show, 1871.

THE official judges (the Collector and the Sub-Collector) were assisted by a Committee consisting of the following gentlemen :—

Colonel F. J. Moberly, R.E., Superintending Engineer ; Major S. Galbraith, Superintendent of Police ; Mr. C. Rundall, Deputy-Director of Revenue Settlement ; Mr. G. Mackenzie, Assistant Collector ; Mr. G. T. Eagan ; Assistant Superintendent of Police ; K. Subba Row, Deputy-Collector, Kistna District ; R. Venkata Kistna Row, B.A., Huzur Sheristadar, Nellore ; S. Subba Row, District Munsiff of Ongole ; M. Rajah Row, Tahsildar of Ongole ; S. Kistna Row, Tahsildar of Vinnukonda, Kistna District ; K. Raghupati Row, Tahsildar of Kandukur ; T. Narayana Row, Sub-division Sheristadar, Ongole ; C. Sambaya Chetty, Supervisor, Department Public Works, Kistna District ; K. Annajee Row, Tahsildar of Narasarowpet, Kistna District.

2. The Punchayets (Committees) for classifying the cattle consisted of the following ryots :—

1. Kakarlapudi Venkataramarazu. 2. Bezwada Chenchaya. 3. Chagunti Chavudari Naidoo. 4. Pobita Venkatasami.	*Classes of Cows.* Four-year old heifers and three-year old heifers.
1. Potu Pichanna. 2. Kodur Perapu Naidoo. 3. Vaka Pichy Reddy. 4. Chedepolu Kotapa.	*Classes of Heifers.* Two-year old heifers, yearling heifers, and heifer calves.
1. Chittabattuni Chenchu Naidoo. 2. Ravula Appaya. 3. Kodur Sami. 4. Kakani Venkatesam.	*Classes of Bulls.* Five-year old bulls, four-year old bulls, and three-year old bulls.
1. Mannekonda Ramadasu. 2. Maladi Ankamma. 3. Mangamuru Venkataramanaya. 4. Gadde Venkatesam.	*Classes of Bulls.* Two-year old bulls, yearling bulls, bull calves, and full grown bulls.

		Cattle exhibited this year.	In 1870.	In 1869.
3. Class of full grown bulls.	1st prize, Rs. 75 2nd ,, ,, 50	6	8	10

First prize to Molakapalli Venkatanarsu of Vachavaram, Kandukur Taluq ; second, to Mukkapati Pedda Venkata Narsimhulu of Anamanamur, Ongole Taluq. Not a satisfactory Show. The prize-animals were five, but the competition was quite nominal, and the number of beasts unusually small. The gradual falling off in this class was alluded to in last year's report by the Committee, and was also noticed by the Board of Revenue.

		Cattle.	In 1870.	In 1869.
Five-year old bulls.	1st prize, Rs. 70 2nd ,, ,, 45	6	10	11

First prize to Chagunti Venkaya of Kamepalli, Kandukur Taluq ; second, to Kakarlapudi Venkataramarazu of Marlapad, Ongole Taluq. The animals were few and of ordinary quality, with the exception of the two that received the prizes.

		Cattle.	In 1870.	In 1869.
Four-year old bulls.	1st prize, Rs. 60 2nd ,, ,, 40 3rd ,, ,, 20 Special ,, ,, 15	17	15	19

First prize to Chittabattuni Chenchu Naidoo of Chendalur, Ongole Taluq ; second, to Kakarlapudi Ramarazu of Marlapad, Ongole Taluq ; third, to Nannapundi Kotapa of Ulichi, Ongole Taluq ; special prize to Battuni Kotapa of Chendalur, Ongole. The Exhibition was good, and there was considerable competition.

		Cattle.	In 1870.	In 1869.
Three-year old bulls.	1st prize, Rs. 50 2nd ,, ,, 35 3rd ,, ,, 15 Special ,, ,, 12	21	30	14

First prize to Mupparazu Kotaya of Marlapad, Ongole Taluq; second, to Bolenini Ramasami of Inikipad, Ongole Taluq; third, to Koduru Perapu Naidoo of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; special, to Bolenini Adinaraydu of Inikipad, Ongole Taluq. Remarkably good, and much competition.

		Cattle.	In 1870.	In 1869.
Two-year old bulls.	1st prize, Rs. 40 2nd ,, ,, 24 3rd ,, ,, 12 Special ,, ,, 10	19	23	30

First prize to Kodur Kondappah Naidoo of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; second, to Gundapaneni Kotaya of the same village; third, to Uppalapati Venkamarazu of Rachavaripolliem, Ongole Taluq; special, to Bodapati Ramudu of Maddulur, Ongole Taluq. A very good lot; great competition; two or three others equal or almost equal to the prize-cattle.

		Cattle.	In 1870.
Yearling bulls.	1st prize, Rs. 30 2nd ,, ,, 20 3rd ,, ,, 10 Two special, each 20	20	25

First prize to Burrainkaya of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; second, to Zarugapalli Kotadu of Turlapad, Bapatla Taluq, Kistna District; third, to Gonugunta Kotadu of Inikipad, Ongole Taluq, special prizes to Potu Pichanna of Venkanapolliem, Kandukur Taluq, and Nagenini Ramudu of Inikipad, Kandukur Taluq. A very good show, and much difficulty in selecting for the prizes.

		Cattle.	In 1870.
Bull calves.	1st prize, Rs. 25 2nd ,, ,, 15 3rd ,, ,, 8	20	18

First prize to Addepalli Ramudu of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; second, to Devarapalli Ramudu of Tangutur, Ongole Taluq; third, to Devarapalli Totadu of the same village. A fair lot altogether; some among them very promising animals.

		Cattle.	In 1870.	In 1869.
Full grown bulls.	1st prize, Rs. 80 2nd ,, ,, 50 3rd ,, ,, 40 4th ,, ,, 30	22	54	33

First prize to Singumgunta Kodanda Ramaya of Singumgunta, Ongole Taluq; second, to Bodapati Kotapa of Muktinutalapad, Ongole Taluq; third, to Nagenini Ramudu of Inikipad, Ongole Taluq; fourth, to Addepalli Ramudu of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq. A great falling off in the number of this class, but the quality very fine. The animal that won the first prize took the first prize in the class of four-year old heifers last year.

		Cattle.
Four-year old cows.	1st prize, Rs. 70 2nd ,, ,, 40 3rd ,, ,, 30	3

First prize to Addepalli Ramudu of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; second, to Chegondi Kondadu of the same village; third, to Kakumani Tattigadu of the same village. This is the first year in which entries have been made for this class. In default of competition prizes had to be awarded to all of the animals exhibited. The first prize-animal was, however, markedly superior to the others.

Three-year old cows.—No entries.

		Cattle.	In 1870.	In 1869.
Four-year old heifers.	1st prize, Rs. 70 2nd ,, ,, 40 3rd ,, ,, 30 4th ,, ,, 20	18	31	28

First prize to Vaka Pichi Reddy of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; second, to Mekala Kota Reddy of Rudravarum, Ongole Taluq; third, to Mamidi Nagadu of the same village; fourth, to Kankanala Kristnamah of Kotapatam, Ongole Taluq; special, to Potu Kotapa of Venkanapolliem, Kandukur Taluq. A very good lot, and much competition.

		Cattle.	In 1870.	In 1869.
Three-year old heifers.	1st prize, Rs. 60 2nd ,, ,, 30 3rd ,, ,, 20 Special ,, ,, 15	21	31	30

First prize to Chekka Kotadu of Karumanchi, Ongole Taluq; second, to Donempudi Pichivadu of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; third, to Kodani Peraya of the same village; special, to Billu Subbadu of Tangutur, Ongole Taluq. An excellent show; much difficulty in awarding the prizes.

		Cattle.	In 1870.	In 1869.
Two-year old heifers.	1st prize, Rs. 50 2nd ,, ,, 25 3rd ,, ,, 20 Special ,, ,, 15	18	27	23

First prize to Donempudi Latchminarsugadu of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; second, to Kandi Narsadu of Venkanapolliem, Kandukur Taluq; third, to Kanuparti Kotadu of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; special, to Vaka Kotapa of Uppalapad, Kandukur Taluq. The first prize was awarded unanimously. The show altogether was very good.

		Cattle.	In 1870.
Yearling heifers.	1st prize, Rs. 40 2nd ,, ,, 20 3rd ,, ,, 15 Three special ,, 10	32	13

First prize to Donempudi Latchminarsugadu of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; second, to Gadde Venkatesam of Annavaram, Bapatla Taluq, Kistna District; third, to Nagenini Ramudu of Inikipad, Ongole Taluq; special, to Bolenini Adinaraydu of the same village, to Inagunta Sambasimudu of Uppalapad, Kandukur Taluq, and to Paleti Pichigadu of Dasarazupalli, Ongole Taluq. A very satisfactory show in point both of numbers and quality. Close competition among an unusually large number of animals.

		Cattle.	In 1870.
Heifer calves.	1st prize, Rs. 30 2nd ,, ,, 20 3rd ,, ,, 15 4th ,, ,, 10 Special ,, ,, 10	12	17

First prize to Donempudi Ramudu of Nidamanur, Kandukur Taluq; second, to Boddu Kotadu of Tangutur, Ongole Taluq; third, to Kammala Subbadu of Tanguntur, Ongole Taluq; fourth, to Devarapalli Kotadu of the same village; special, to Gadde Venkatesam of Annavaram, Bapatla Taluq, Kistna District. A close competition among some very good beasts. The special prize was awarded more particularly as an inducement to Kistna exhibitors.

		Pairs.	In 1870.
Working cattle.	1st prize, Rs. 70 2nd ,, ,, 45 3rd ,, ,, 20	11	12

First prize to Kakarlapudi Venkataramarazu of Marlapad, Ongole Taluq; second, to Jagarlamudi Seshachellum of Kondalaregadapolliem, Vinnukonda Taluq, Kistna District; third, to Muppaneni Murti of Addanki, Ongole Taluq. Unsatisfactory, as being no improvement on last year.

Country Ponies.

Full grown stallions. 1st prize, Rs. 40; 2nd ,, ,, 30

The first prize was awarded to Sikiram Sambaya Chetty of Guntoor, Kistna District; the second, to Velidanda Runga Row of Addanki, Ongole Taluq. The winner of the first prize was a serviceable animal, but the other entries were a wretched lot. Number entered four.

Four-year old colts.— No entries.

Three-year old colts.— The first prize of Rs. 30 was necessarily awarded to the only exhibitor Immadisetti Papadu of Kammalapadu, Narsarowpet Taluq, Kistna District. It was a very inferior colt.

Two-year old colts.— No entries.

Yearling colts. 1st prize, Rs. 20; 2nd ,, ,, 10

The first prize to Gundapanedi Chinna Ramasami of Uppalapad, Kandukur Taluq; the second, to Lingumgunta Puttabhiramaya of Lingumgunta, Ongole Taluq. These were the only entries.

Full grown mares. 1st prize, Rs. 35; 2nd ,, ,, 30; 3rd ,, ,, 25

The first prize to Lingumgunta Kodanda Ramaya of Lingumgunta, Ongole Taluq; second, to Chinnapati Seshaya of Tarlupadu, Bapatla Taluq, Kistna District; the third, to Pelluru Chentsam Razu of Annavaram, Bapatla Taluq, Kistna District. The mares were not so utterly bad as the previous classes. Entries nine.

Fillies. 1st prize, Rs. 25; 2nd ,, ,, 20; 3rd ,, ,, 15

The first prize to Chagunti Chavudari Naidoo of Kamipalli, Kandukur Taluq; the second, to Bezwada Chenchaya of Nidamanur, Ongole Taluq; the third, to Donempudi Ramudu of the same village. This class was about on a par with the previous one—the mares. Entries five.

Mr. Dykes's prize of Rs. 50 was awarded, there being no cow exhibited under four years of age with calf at heel, to Addepalli Ramudu for the youngest four-year old cow with calf at heel, a very superior animal.

4. The Committee regret that they cannot consider the present Show to have been altogether a successful one. The prize-animals indeed, they believe, to have been fully up to last year's mark, and in the quality generally of the cattle on the ground no falling off was noticeable, but only some 250 were exhibited against over 300 in 1870. This decrease, the Committee are of opinion, may be attributed to two causes: first, during a considerable part of last year there appears to have been an erroneous impression abroad that no Shows would be held in 1871. This circumstance was alluded to in the late Collector Mr. Master's letter to the Board, No. 2,504, dated 20th September last, and steps were taken to inform the people correctly; but it is probable that the mistake may not have been entirely removed, or that in some cases its correction came too late to persons who might otherwise have been willing to become exhibitors; secondly, it is to be borne in mind that last year's Show, with which the present is necessarily compared, and which was probably in some respects the most successful Show ever held in these parts, took place at Ongole. Addanki had been for many years the usual place of Exhibition, and it was found last year that the Kistna ryots did not come forward in such large numbers as formerly, which circumstance was attributed in some degree to the increased distance they had to travel. It is clear, however, that Ongole is the most convenient place of meeting for the Nellore exhibitors, and it seems that by the return to Addanki some of these have been deterred from entering the competition, while the corresponding advantage to the Kistna District has not been availed of by the ryots. There were only ten or twelve Kistna cattle-exhibitors this year at Addanki. This falling off is no doubt attributable in a great measure, as pointed out by last year's Committee, to the increasing competition at the Show: "It is evidently," as the Committe went on to observe, "becoming less and less worth the while of distant breeders to send cattle that are not "pre-eminently excellent." The justice of this remark is borne out by the fact that the Kistna on the present occasion received four prizes for its horned cattle, notwithstanding the small number entered. Nevertheless, it is still a matter for consideration in view of all the circumstances, and especially of the comparative failure of this year's show, whether the purposes of the Exhibition

would not be most fully answered by somewhat limiting the sphere of competition and by holding the annual gathering at Ongole, thus affording the Nellore breeders those facilities which they have shown themselves ready to turn to the best account. Perhaps the next Show might be at Addanki, and if with the same result as on the present occasion Ongole might be finally reverted to, or perhaps shows alternately at Addanki and Ongole would have the best results. These considerations are submitted to the Collector and the Board.

5. A novel and encouraging feature of the present show was the class of *four-year old cows.* This is the first occasion on which entries have been made for this class. Perhaps next year the Committee will be able to award Mr. Dykes's prize on the conditions originally prescribed by the donor, namely, for a well bred cow *under four years* with calf at heel. On the present occasion the Committee, acting under Mr. Dykes's subsequent instructions, had to award his prize to the best cow in the *four-year old class.* Mr. Dykes, the Committee are sure, will be much gratified to learn that the winner of his prize was Addepalli Ramudu, a breeder who has from their first institution displayed much interest in the annual shows, and has probably owned a much larger number of prize-cattle than any other ryot. At the present exhibition he received three prizes in addition to Mr. Dykes's.

6. The Committee required in the classes of calves strict compliance with the condition that certificates of age attested by the village authorities be produced. Neglect to produce these excluded the owners of several animals to which otherwise prizes might have been awarded. The rule had not been invariably insisted upon in previous years, but it is necessary in order to insure fair competition, and by this time the ryots ought to be and no doubt are familiar with it. It is not probable that they will in many cases seek to evade it hereafter.

7. With regard to the ponies the Committee have to report that the show was a failure. The prizes in these classes were awarded as a stimulus to future competition and by no means as a premium for present excellence. This feature of the show was a novelty, which, in the opinion of the Committee, sufficiently accounts for its want of success. The Committee do not doubt that in future years a great improvement will be reported; there is certainly abundant room for it.

Enclosure No 2.

Report of the Committee on the Agricultural Show held at Nellore on the 15*th and* 16*th February* 1871.

The official judges (the Collector and the Acting Head Assistant Collector) were assisted by the following gentlemen in awarding the prizes:—

A. M. Simpson, Esq.
E. E. Lloyd, Esq., Zillah Surgeon.
S. T. MacCarthy, Esq., Assistant Collector.
J. Thacker, Esq., Veterinary Surgeon.
Major S. Galbraith, Superintendent of Police.
Reverend J. Macmillan.
G. T. Eagan, Esq., Assistant Superintendent of Police.
C. Plunkett, Esq., Deputy-Collector in charge of Salt Department.
C. Cundasawmy Moodelliar, General Deputy-Collector.
R. Venkatakistnarow Puntulu, Sheristadar.
K. Balajirow Puntulu, Uncovenanted Assistant, Revenue Settlement Department.
K. Subbarow Puntulu, Tahsildar of Nellore Taluq.
P. Venkatakistnama Naidoo, Tahsildar of Gudur Taluq.
C. Bashikacharriar, Tahsildar of Atmakur Taluq.
N. Narayanarow Puntulu, Tahsildar of Udayagiri Taluq.
V. Narayanarow Puntulu, Tahsildar of Rapur Taluq.
S. Chidambara Pillay, Sub-Assistant Surgeon.
B. Narsimulu Naidoo.

Division was exhibited. The special prize was given to Kande Narasadu of the Ongole Taluq. The show of the Sub-division cattle was good.

			In 1871.	In 1869.
Yearling Heifers ...	1st prize,	Rs. 40	18	*11
	2nd do.	,, 20		
	3rd do.	,, 15		
	1st special prize	,, 20		
	2nd do.	,, 15		
	3rd do.	,, 10		
	4th do.	,, 10		

The first prize was unanimously given to Donempudi Lakshminarsugadu of the Ongole Taluq. No animals eligible for the second and third prizes were exhibited. The show of northern cattle was good. There was very close competition for the special prizes, which were given respectively to Gadde Venkatesam of Kistna District, Nagineni Ramudu of the Ongole Taluq, Patcha Kondadu of the Kavali Taluq, and Inugunta Samba Sivadu of the Kandukur Taluq.

			In 1871.	In 1869.
Heifer Calves ...	1st prize,	Rs. 30	6	*0
	2nd do.	,, 20		
	3rd do.	,, 15		
	4th do.	,, 10		
	One special do.	,, 15		

The first prize was given to Boddu Kotadu of the Ongole Taluq; the second prize to Rozugirdi Venkatakistnarao Puntulu. The third prize was withheld, as there were no animals eligible for it. The special prize was given to Karnamala Subbadu of the Ongole Taluq. The cattle exhibited were pretty good and well cared for.

			In 1871.	In 1869.
Working Cattle ...	1st prize,	Rs. 70	10	33
	2nd do.	,, 45		
	3rd do.	,, 20		

The first prize was given to Kadkarlapudi Venkatramarazu of the Ongole Taluq. The other prizes were not awarded, as all others refused the test prescribed.

Ponies.

Full grown Stallions. 1st prize, Rs. 40; 2nd do. ,, 30

There were 21 entries against 32 in 1869, but although the number was less the Committee consider that as a class the show this year was superior to the last. The selection was first made with reference to form and points, and in the afternoon further tested by racing, after which the prizes were adjudged. The first prize was given to Mr. Beeson of the Nellore Police for the pony which took the second prize in 1869; the second to Mr. T. Smith also of Nellore, and in consideration of the general superiority of the animals shown special prizes of 10 Rs. were given to Mr. Fleischer, Gowdacherla Subba Row, and Mr. A. Stuart.

Four year old Colts ... 1st prize, Rs. 35; 2nd do. ,, 25

There were only three animals exhibited in this class, and the prizes were awarded unanimously. The first to Mr. J. Smith of Nabobpett, near Nellore; and the second to Parama Reddy Venkata Reddy of Bodduvaripollem in Nellore Taluq.

Three year old Colts ... 1st prize, Rs. 30; 2nd do. ,, 20

There was no competition in this class, only one animal having been entered to which the Committee awarded the first prize in view to further encouragement.
Anchuru Rungapa Naidoo of Indukurpet, in Nellore Taluq.

Two year old Colts ... 1st prize, Rs. 25; 2nd do. ,, 15

* In 1869 yearling Heifers and Heifer Calves were exhibited under the same class.

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There were five entries this year against none in 1869. The first prize was given to Poondla Venkatasubbaya of Nellore town; and the second to Gundamanany Ramasawmy of Ooppalapad in the Kandukur Taluq.

Yearling Colts ... ... 1st prize, Rs. 20; 2nd do. ,, 10

There were only two entries in this class—the same as in 1869—and as the Committee did not think either of the animals worthy of the full amount of prizes, special prizes of Rs. 10 and Rs. 5 were unanimously awarded. The first to Mahomed Usman of Nellore; and the second to Sheik Ahmed of Kristnapatnam, in the Gudur Taluq.

The Committee desire to record that in all the classes of colts the show this year was poor, and exhibited no attention or care in view to the improvement of the ordinary breed of ponies in this district.

Full grown Mares. 1st prize, Rs. 35; 2nd do. ,, 30; 3rd do. ,, 25

There were eleven entries in this class against 39 in 1869, but, as on the former occasion, the animals now shown were not worthy of special notice. As in the case of the full grown stallions three were taken out and raced before the prizes were decided.

They were unanimously awarded as follows:—First prize to Kantabattuni Papireddy of Nellore; the second prize to Mahomed Saib of Nellore; and the third prize to Azeezkhan of Nellore.

Fillies ... ... 1st prize, Rs. 25; 2nd do. ,, 20; 3rd do. ,, 15

There were seven entries and the following prizes were awarded:—First to Fakir Ahamed of Kodavalur in Nellore Taluq; the second to Eluru Subbaya of Nellore town; and the third to Mahomed Sahib of Nellore town.

As in the case of the colts the show of fillies was poor, and evinced no attempt at improvement of the breed.

Sheep.

			In 1871.	In 1869.
Rams. ...	1st prize,	Rs. 30	37	46
	2nd do.	,, 15		
	3rd do.	,, 10		

The show was very poor. The first prize was reduced to Rs. 10, and given to Abdul Gani of Nellore; the second prize was reduced to 7 Rs., and given to Mudda Venkatachelam Razu of Nellore; and the third was reduced to Rs. 5, and given to Madarlala of Nellore.

			In 1871.	In 1869.
Flock of Ewes.	1st prize,	Rs. 30	2	1
	2nd do.	,, 20		
	3rd do.	,, 10		

The show was poor. The first prize was withheld; the second prize was given to Kappala Appayah; and the third to Bayya Pitchayah of Nellore.

Goats.

			In 1871.	In 1869.
He-Goats. ...	1st prize,	Rs. 15	6	15
	2nd do.	,, 13		
	3rd do.	,, 10		

A reduced prize of Rs. 5 was given to Bayya Pitchayah of Nellore; the other prizes were withheld entirely, as the animals were miserably bad.

			In 1871.	In 1869.
She-Goats. ...	1st prize,	Rs. 15	17	13
	2nd do.	,, 12		
	3rd do.	,, 10		

This show was also very poor. The first prize was reduced to Rs. 5, and given to Kamarazugadda Sriramulu of Nellore; the second prize was reduced to Rs. 4, and given to Sheik Davud Hussein of Nellore; and the third prize was reduced to Rs. 3, and given to Mr. G. Fisher.

Agricultural products, Saltpetre, and Salt.

Cotton. 1st prize, Rs. 200; 2nd do. ,, 100; 3rd do. ,, 50

There were only four exhibitors of this staple this year, whereas at the previous show of 1869 the number of exhibitors was 13, and that was then described to be a "limited number, considering the value of the prizes offered." The samples shown this year, however, though few, were good, and the first prize was awarded to Donkala Pedabbi Naidoo of Pelleru, in the Atmakur Taluq; and as, in the opinion of the Committee, the second and third samples were so nearly alike the prizes offered for these two samples were equally divided between Kilari Subba Naidoo of Apparavupollem, and Amancherla Sectiah of Mamudur, both of the Atmakur Taluq also.

Indigo. 1st prize, Rs. 100; 2nd do. ,, 50; 3rd do. ,, 25

Of this staple there were eight exhibitors this year against ten in 1869. The specimens for which the first and second prizes were awarded were of very fine quality, almost equal to the best of the Cuddapah District. In shape No. 1 was particularly good. The specimen for which the third prize was awarded was also of good quality. None of the other specimens were worthy of remark.

The prizes were awarded unanimously. First to Hussein Khan of Chenchulur, in Udayagiri Taluq; second to Ganupati Seshachelam of Nellore, in Nellore Taluq; and third to Bodi Nunebi of Chenchulur, in Udayagiri Taluq.

Saltpetre. 1st prize, Rs. 50; 2nd do. ,, 25; 3rd do. ,, 10

There were seven exhibitors against five in 1869. On the whole the samples shown were considered by the Committee to be superior to those on previous occasions, and those to which the prizes were awarded were of excellent quality. The first prize was given by a majority of votes to Arava Venkata Subbaya of Virur, in Atmakur Taluq; the second and third unanimously to Karem Andi Narayudu of Kotapalligudur, in Nellore Taluq, and Mullangi Ramaya of Nellore town.

Salt. 1st prize, Rs. 100; 2nd do. ,, 50; 3rd do. ,, 25

There were 36 exhibitors in this class against 54 in 1869; the difference being attributed to the exclusion of the two best stations in the district, owing to there having been no manufacture at those two places this year, namely, Iskapalli and Gogulapalli. From these two stations alone in 1869 twenty-two samples were shown.

On the whole the Committee consider the display of salt to be quite equal to that of 1869, and they desire to record the fact that on this occasion, of the three stations on the Pulicat lake which were not represented at the last show, two, namely, Tada and Dugarazupatnam, exhibited very fair specimens to which special prizes were awarded on account of the peculiar local difficulties which are stated to exist in that neighbourhood in commencing with the manufacture so early in the season. The first prize was awarded to Mulam Lakshminursu of the Kristnapatnam Division, in Gudur Taluq; the second to Kukkala Iyapa Reddy of the Kanuparti Division, in Ongole Taluq; and the third to Pattapu Yerravadu of Kristnapatnam Division, in Gudur Taluq; and taking into consideration the number of samples exhibited and their generally superior quality, and also for the reasons stated above, as regards the stations on the Pulicat lake, the following special prizes were given:—First, Rs. 10, to Purini Kotaya of Biraingunta station in Padarti Division; second, Rs. 10, to Kukkala Chinareddy of Kanuparti Division; third, Rs. 10, to Bhaskara Subbaramaya of Tada Division; fourth, Rs. 10, to Kamireddy Ramireddy of Tada Division; and fifth, Rs. 5, to Karanam Polinayudu and Kodanda Ramudu of Dugarazupatnam Division.

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AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Cotton Gins.

Three were exhibited against five in 1869. None of these were considered by the Committee to be of sufficient merit to have the prizes offered given to them; but, at the request of the native members of the Committee, a special prize of 10 Rs. was awarded to Donkala Pedabbi Naidoo of Pelleru, in Atmakur Taluq, as the gin exhibited by him was considered by them to be the best shown and worthy of encouragement.

Country Carts.

There were five entries this year against thirteen in 1869. No improvement whatever, nor any novelty in the construction of any of these, was shown, and the Committee deemed it necessary to withhold the full amount of the prizes offered. They, however, awarded special prizes for the best carts exhibited, namely, to Mr. Priddle of Nellore, Rs. 15, and to Kodur Pullaya of Nidamanur, in the Ongole Taluq, Rs. 10.

There were but two drills; one was the drill with six funnels for distributing the seed, which received the notice of the Committee, and the first prize at the show of 1869, and it was, therefore, precluded from competition on this occasion; and the second was not worthy of a prize nor of notice, being of the most ordinary kind.

The roller shown was more like the beam of a house, and not worthy of even the name assigned to it.

No oil mills were exhibited, though a prize for the same is offered by the Prize list.

In the remaining class of implements the Committee regret to record that there is no improvement, and that the hopes entertained by the Committee in 1869, as to the results that might be looked for by the exhibition then of certain implements sent up by the Farm Committee in Madras, have not been realized. In one or two cases full prizes were given, and in other cases minor prizes were awarded to articles which were deserving of notice, in view to encouragement for the future.

For the best plough Rs. 5 to Bazavada Papaya of Nidamanur, in Ongole Taluq.

For the best drill no prize.

For the best harrow Rs. 10 to Kilari Subbarayudu of Apparampollem in Nellore Taluq.

For the best roller no prize.
Do. pickaxe Rs. 5
Do. mamoty ,, 2
Do. turf-cutter ,, 3
Do. sickle ,, 3
} Cherukumudi Appaya of Nellore town.

For the best earthen pail Rs. 2 to Vuria Munisawmy of Nellore town.

There being no cow exhibited under four-year old Mr. Dykes's prize of 50 Rs. was given to Addepalli Ramudu, who had won the same prize with the same animal at Addanki this year. This was not the best of the four-year old cows exhibited at Nellore, but the prize was awarded as the youngest of the animals exhibited in this class.

THE Committee must now, with regret, record their opinion that the result of this show is discouraging. The horned stock belonging to the Principal Division were, with almost a single exception, unworthy of exhibition, notwithstanding that, for the first time at this show, the competition of the Sub-division cattle was restricted to the first prizes only. The show of sheep and goats was miserable. As to ponies no sign of improvement in the breed was perceptible.

2. In regard to agricultural produce, with the exception of saltpetre and salt, there was a falling off in comparison with previous exhibitions, and in agricultural implements no effort whatever at improvement was observable, but rather the contrary.

3. After full deliberation upon and discussion of the question whether, under this discouraging state of things, the continuance of the Nellore show should be recommended, the Committee have unanimously resolved to recommend that, before it be finally decided to discontinue the show at Nellore, at least one more should be held, and in that case that it should certainly be held next year.

4. In order, moreover, to apply a decisive test to the Principal Division in the important matter of horned stock the Committee hold it to be essential that the Sub-division cattle be altogether excluded from competing for any prizes at Nellore.

5. The Committee are further of opinion that the rule restricting competition to cattle "bred and raised" in the Principal Division should be modified, so as to admit of the exhibition by Principal Division owners of all cattle that may have been in their *bona fide* possession, to be so certified, for a period of nine months.

6. The Committee also beg to recommend that the prizes for sheep and goats, excepting those for flocks of ewes alone, be reduced by half.

7. In regard to cotton they recommend that the specimens exhibited should be the produce of a minimum area of five acres cultivated by the exhibitor, who should produce the Tahsildar's certificate to that effect.

8. For the present three prizes for salt of Rs. 100, 50, and 25, the Committee propose six prizes of Rs. 50, 40, 30, 25, 20, and 10, respectively.

(Signed) G. VANSAGNEW,
Collector.
(,,) J. WALLACE,
Acting Head Asst. Collector,
on behalf of the Committee.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) G. VANSAGNEW,
President of the Committee.

WITH this letter Mr. VansAgnew submits the Reports of the Committees on the Exhibitions held this year at Addanki and Nellore, and discusses the propriety of continuing them.

2. The Board have so frequently expressed their opinion with regard to the influence for good that must ultimately be effected by these shows that it is scarcely necessary for them to say that they are not disposed to give them up at once in deference to Mr. VansAgnew's adverse judgment on them. When Mr. Dykes went first to Nellore he appears to have been just as much prejudiced against these exhibitions as Mr. VansAgnew is now.

3. There is after all nothing in Mr. Vans Agnew's arguments against the shows that has not been urged over and over again; but it may be well to notice them in some detail, though the Board have no doubt that Mr. VansAgnew will fulfil his promise (paragraph 10) and will not allow *a priori* prejudices to interfere with the success of institutions to which Government have long attached very considerable importance. It is obvious that anything like discouragement from the Head of the district is sure to have a most disastrous effect; and the mere dissemination of the fact, that the Collector had no faith in the good effects of such exhibitions, would of itself go far to verify his predictions.

4. Mr. VansAgnew admits that the shows "may probably do some good," but doubts if it is commensurate with the cost of obtaining it. Now in the first place it is impossible to estimate the amount of good that may have been done by these exhibitions; but it is equally impossible to doubt that the great publicity that has been given to them has already had a considerable effect in "raising the prices and spreading the fame of the Nellore breed" (Mr. Boswell in 1868); and it would be contrary to reason to suppose that high prices and a widely-extended market have had no effect in increasing the numbers and improving the breed of

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the northern cattle. It is true that competition has been confined to a comparatively narrow circle of villages, and it is likely enough that animals are fed up with the express object of gaining prizes; but these conditions are equally in force at all agricultural exhibitions, and it cannot be contended that they have had no effect in England in improving the breed of cattle. It is the commonest practice there to buy a good beast a few months before a show for the express purpose of gaining a prize; and it is quite open to question whether the rule, (which the Board believe obtains both at Addanki and Nellore,) excluding all cattle not *bona fide bred* or possessed for a specified period by the exhibitor, is not an injudicious one. It was of course never considered of importance that the ryots of this country should take an interest in exhibitions merely *as* exhibitions; and it is even probable that the actual number of exhibitors may continually decrease as the reputation of particular individuals becomes more widely known; but this again is a matter of no consequence whatever. Very few of the owners of cattle, even in England breed with the object of improving cattle *generally*, but simply to get prizes first, and then in consequence high prices for their cattle, and the number of exhibitors as compared with the total number of breeders is extremely limited even there. It was clearly the interest of the exhibitor referred to in paragraph 7 to sell his cow for a good price, and it is a matter of no consequence who is her owner so long as she gives good calves. Mr. Simpson's remark, to the effect that the cattle were as good thirty-five years ago as they are now, is too general to admit of argument. But even if it were correct it would hardly be argued that there is no further room for improvement, especially in the breeding of cows; and the period of twelve years during which these shows have been in existence is far from sufficient to decide what effect they may have ultimately.

5. But even in the present report on the Addanki show "a new and encouraging feature" was specially commented on by the Committee in paragraph 5, which is alone amply sufficient (in the opinion of the Board) to justify the comparatively trifling expenditure that has been incurred from the beginning, Rs. 18,201-0-4 in all.

				Rs.	A.	P.
1858-59...	...	...	...	690	3	8
1859-60...	...	...	...	905	0	0
1860-61...	...	...	...	947	6	0
1861-62...	...	...	...	963	9	0
1862-63...	...	...	...	1,161	10	0
1863-64...	...	...	...	1,218	10	6
1864-65...	...	...	...	2,112	1	2
1865-66...	...	...	...	1,595	1	2
1866-67...	...	...	...	1,574	12	0
1867-68...	...	...	...	1,596	10	6
1868-69...	...	...	...	1,615	11	8
1869-70...	...	...	...	1,675	3	2
1870-71...	...	...	...	2,145	1	6
		Total	...	18,201	0	4

6. The Committee say that *cows* of four years old have never been exhibited before, so that it would appear that nine heifers (three at Addanki and six at Nellore) *at any rate have come to maturity* a year earlier than usual. Now although it would perhaps be unsafe to attribute this result directly to the influence of the shows, there can be no doubt (to judge from the reports) that greater care has been paid to the rearing of the heifers exhibited since the improvement of the prizes; and there is equally little doubt that such careful rearing would naturally have the effect of enabling them to breed at an earlier age.

Paragraph 2 of Board's Proceedings, dated 11th February 1869, No. 935.
Government Order, dated 19th March 1869, No. 765, Revenue Department.

7. The Board concur with the Collector and the Committee in thinking that the next show should be held at Addanki.

8. With regard to the Nellore exhibitions the Board are also of opinion that the Committee were right in resolving to exclude the northern cattle for the present, at any rate if the condition stated in paragraph 17 is sanctioned. As to this condition the Board are not sure that it is advisable to impose any such prohibition on the importation of northern cattle into the Principal Division. The object is not to insist on owners breeding in a less favourably situated country, but simply to improve the breed there *by any means that may occur to the owners.* If they are encouraged to do this by importing the superior breed of the north for the sake of the prizes the end aimed at will equally be secured.

9. The early orders of Government are requested on this point.

10. Referring to paragraph 19 of the Collector's letter the Board would only observe that a reduction in the value of the prizes is not likely to improve the character of the animals exhibited; and, speaking generally, they notice a tendency to *illiberality* in the distribution of prizes at Nellore, which they think is to be deprecated as likely to create a feeling of uncertainty as to the money promised being actually given, and also as to the continuance of the shows and consequently a still greater reluctance to come forward on the part of exhibitors.

11. The condition as to cotton is perhaps expedient; but the Board would be glad to know the area of the fields from which the samples exhibited this year were grown before expressing any opinion as to the fairness of the minimum adopted. It is by no means desirable to exclude small proprietors from competition.

12. They have no objection to the proposed modification as regards prizes for salt.

13. With reference to Mr. VansAgnew's concluding remarks in paragraph 22 the Board see no reason as yet to share his apprehension that the example set by Government will *never* be followed. Looking carefully at the Prize List they do not even agree in considering that the Nellore show was so wholly discouraging as it is represented by the Collector and the Committee. The reasons assigned for its comparative failure by the native members, as stated by the Collector in paragraph 15, appear to the Board to have considerable force.

14. The sanction of Government is requested for the expenditure of Rs. 5,035-3-9 on account of the two shows, and for two shows to be held next year on the dates fixed by the Collector.

15. The thanks of Government are due to the gentlemen, European and Native, who officiated on the Committees.

No. 185. ORDER THEREON, 13th May 1871, No. 850.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government concur with the Board in thinking that the results attained by these Cattle Shows are by no means so discouraging as they appear to Mr. VansAgnew. The shows and prizes have probably exercised a much wider influence in improving the breeds

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cated fo[illegible] on this [illegible]ddanki and Nellore, namely Rs. 5,0[illegible] sanctioned, and the Board's proposals for holding two Shows next year are approved. The modification of the Prize Lists, and the conditions for competition proposed by the Committee and the Collector, will be adopted.

3. The Collector will convey the thanks of Government to the gentlemen who gave their services as judges on this occasion.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Dept.

~~N 850.~~

Pros of the Madras Govt

Under date the 13th ~~April~~ May 1871.

Read the following

Pro. of the Bd. of Revenue.

Pubng. Reports on Agricult. Exhibition & Cattle Shows held at Nellore & Anantapur respectively requesting sanction for expenditure of Rs 5035. 3. 9 on account of these two Shows, &c.

M. E. 13th April 1871. No 153

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2. The charges incurred on this occasion at Addanki and Nellore, viz: Rs. 5035. 3. 2. are sanctioned; and the Board's proposals for holding two shows next year are approved. The modification of the prize lists, and the conditions for competition proposed by the Committee and the Collector will be adopted.

3. The Collector will convey the affair, it pleases is settled. The influence of stock of this kind cannot in reason be strikingly advantageous for a stranger attending one for the first time - it must be sought in the District annually where the cattle are bred - in the seasons which they love command - in the attention shown to stock by breeders & even to be I think we might instruct the Ryots to make enquiries during their journeys already towards the object, especially as to whether prize stock are valued and in demand for their produce - whether any peculiar care is undertaken in selection of sires & dams - whether the prize stock are better fed & cared for - whether fodder is usually grown for summer use &c.

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I would ask Board Mr. Agnew. His Report seems to be incorrect and "inaccurate. It is" right that we should hear both sides; a Report - but I would advocate the enquiries pursued by the Govt.

Govt letter

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