

No. 53. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th December 1871 :—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Ganjam, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mohana, 14th December 1871, No. 160.

State of Crops.—The Tahsildar of *Berhampore* reports having examined 144 villages in the three divisions of his talook (*vide* abstract below). The result shows that in one-third, or 49 villages, the rice-crops have been almost entirely lost, and that of the remaining two-thirds, or 95 villages the crops have been partly lost in 63, and have yielded well in 32.

Berhampore Talooks.

Khandams or Divisions.	Mootahs.	VILLAGES.			Total.
		Fair Crop.	Partial Crop.	Crops failed.	
1. Moheri	Doora	2	15	5	
	Goluntra	15	12	4	
	Kukadakandu	...	19	27	
	Total...	17	46	316	99
2. Poobrokundu	Kouchuru	...	...	3	
	Mansarkota	5	...	...	
	Sitarampuram	10	1	4	
	Total..	15	1	7	23
3. Itchapore	Kasba	...	4	...	
	Kovita	...	9	...	
	Mantereddi	...	3	6	
	Total...	...	16	6	32
Grand Total...		32	63	49	144

2. The Tahsildar is still inspecting other villages. He estimates the approximate loss on the whole (wet and dry) at one-half of the crops.

3. The Deputy-Tahsildar of *Surada* reports that in 49 villages in the Badogoda Zemindary (low lands), the paddy-crop has entirely perished resulting in a loss of 5,000 or 6,000 Rupees.

4. The Deputy-Tahsildar of Sompeta reports that in the Zemindaries of *Mandesa*, *Jalantra*, *Budcrasingi*, and *Chikati*, in the *Tolatampara* mootah, and in the proprietary estates of Barwah, the crops have averaged three-fourths of a full outturn.

5. I have not yet received any further information from other parts of the district.

6. *Prices.*—Abundant supplies of grain have been received in the Berhampore Talook from Orissa. Paddy, rice, and raggy are selling on the average at 39, 16½, and 36 Seers per Rupee. The bazaars are well supplied. In *Surada* old paddy is selling at 13 or 14 Coonchums (39 or 42 Seers) per Rupee, and raggy

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at 11 or 12 Coonchums (33 or 36 Seers). New paddy is expected to sell at 16 Coonchums (48 Seers). Supplies of grain are available. The *Sompeta* Deputy-

	Per Garce.
Paddy	50
Rice	112
Raggy	60

Tahsildar gives the marginal prices as ruling in his neighbourhood. Assuming the garce to contain 1,800 Seers the rates are very similar to those in the Berhampore Talook. A reduction is

expected when the new paddy has been harvested and threshed. The Board will observe from the statements of prices of food-grains for the weeks ending 18th and 25th November sent direct from Chetterpore that, owing to importations from Orissa, prices are lower in the northern portion of the district than in the south where the crops have been finer.

7. *Supplies of Grain.*—The Tahsildar of *Berhampore* estimates that 2,000 Burnums of paddy (equivalent to 2,666½ garces of 1,800 Seers) are stored in the talook, irrespective of the supplies arriving from the north. The *Suradi* Deputy-Tahsildar names two individuals as having considerable stocks of grain, and gives it as his opinion that one quarter of the population of his division have sufficient grain for their own wants. The *Sompeta* Deputy-Tahsildar reports that 170 garces of grain of various sorts are in store at his head-quarters, and that the merchants at Barwah have 80 garces in hand.

8. *Water.*—The Tahsildar of *Berhampore* has sent in a list of 25 villages where water is deficient for man and beast, and is prosecuting further inquiries on this point. I have authorized him to commence the digging of wells at once, at an average estimate of Rs. 130 per well. In *Suradi* deep spring holes have been dug in the bed of the Badagada river. The tanks in this division are nearly dry.

9. *Chinna Kimedy Zemindary.*—I had an opportunity yesterday of meeting the Zemindar of *Chinna Kimedy* who informed me that of the entire number of villages in his estate the crops in one-third had failed, while in the remaining two-thirds half the crop had been saved. From his account I anticipate no difficulty about water for domestic consumption.

10. *General remarks, Berhampore.*—The *Berhampore* Tahsildar anticipates distress among the lower classes who live from hand to mouth, and consequent disease. The wells now to be sunk will afford employment for a certain number of people, and I will propose further works should it seem necessary. The Government have promised to send an Apothecary to assist in any outbreak of disease. I have called for more particular accounts of the people said to be deserting their villages. Collections on account of the first kist are only being made in *Berhampore* where the harvest has been good. The crops have yielded well under the *Jaya-mangala Nullah*.

11. *Zemindaries.*—I have requested the Senior Assistant Collector to visit the Zemindaries of *Pedda Kimedy*, *Chinna Kimedy*, and *Shergada* without loss of time. The *Paloor* Zemindar having written to say that he is unable to pay his *peishush* owing to the entire loss of crops in his villages, I have requested Mr. Crosthwaite to proceed thither, after he has finished his inspection of the other Zemindaries.

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12. I enclose copy of a telegram (amplified) which I have this day despatched to Government.

SUBMITTED to Government.

No. 54.

ORDER THEREON, 6th January 1872, No. 28.

Miscellaneous.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
G. Thornhill, Esq.

Frd. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Department
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 20th December 1871.

Read the following letter

N 100 Camp Mohana
14th December 1871

From The Acting Collector
 of Ganjam

To The Secretary
 Board of Revenue
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Burham-pore

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2. The Tahsildar is still inspecting other villages. He estimates the approximate loss on the whole (wet and dry) at one half of the crops.

3. The Deputy Tahsildar of Surada reports that in 49 villages in the Badagoda Zemindary (low lands) the paddy crop was entirely perished resulting in a loss of 5000 or 6000 Rupees.

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J. C. Master

Acting Collector

Submitted to Government.

(A true Copy & Extract)

J. G. G. G.
Secretary

To
W. H. Adair Esq.
Secretary to Govt.
Camp M. S. Revenue Dept.

Respectfully
 No 4133
 Proceedings of
 the Board of Res.
 - ended

Noted 20 Nov 1871
 Recd 28
 Dec. 28

Circulars

Substantially taken
 from the existing
 notes of the various
 sub-committees on the
 state of the water
 services & in the
 13 sub-committee
 tables

Wm. H. H.
 Secretary

6 Aug 1871

14. To the Board of Res. Dec 28 January 1872
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