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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th March 1874.

No. 168. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th March 1874 :—

Read the following letter from J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Collector of South Arcot, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cuddalore, 9th March 1874, No. 115.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings of the 3rd instant, relative to the threatened scarcity in this district and the measures to be taken with respect thereto.

2. In those Proceedings the Board say they await my application with respect to punjah remissions, and call on me to report what works are in progress in connection with the new railway, and what demand for labour is furnished in this way.

3. I am unable to make any application with respect to punjah remissions at present, because I have no facts to go on, except as regards the Cuddalore Taluq (of which I am doing the Jummabundi), and only partially for it. I am awaiting the report of the Deputy-Collector on remission duty, but fear I shall not get it for some months for the whole district.

4. In the meantime, the different divisional officers will be pushing on with the settlement of their respective taluqs, and have power to direct the suspension of the collection of the March, April, and May punjah kists. They will I trust, as directed by me note carefully all cases of complete punjah shavi brought to their notice, and in this way assist the Remission Deputy-Collector who will then make his own suggestions for the different tracts that have suffered.

5. As far as I am able to judge, in many, if not in most, instances if the remission is to be proportionate to the loss of crop, it will have to be total; but if such an idea is repugnant to the Board, then no simpler plan could be devised than to give a general remission of the three remaining punjah kists wherever in a village there has been shavi or short produce of punjah crops on more than half of the whole dry cultivation. This, however, would render any action on the report of the Remission Deputy-Collector almost unnecessary.

6. As to railway works, I have ascertained from Mr. Logan, the Chief Engineer of the Carnatic Railway, who happens to be here, that there are four railway divisions in this district in which a great deal of the earth-work has been already completed, and that about 580,000 cubic yards remain to be done, but generally of a very light description. These works have been, for the most part, given out on contract, so that any interference with them as regards labour is difficult. I do not consider, therefore, that as a relief work the railway, except in the Villapuram Taluq where earth-work has not been yet commenced, will be of much service as a relief work.

7. I am selecting some extensive works in each taluq for execution as relief works in case of necessity.

8. I enclose translations of two reports on the insect which did so much damage last year to paddy in store, received from the Tahsildars of Villapuram and Kallakurchi in August last, and of one from the former officer in December last. Further inquiries will be made on this subject.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th March 1874.*

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The Board think Mr. Garstin has mistaken the orders of Government about the Special Deputy-Collector. It was not intended that he should report on the whole district, and that the settlement of remissions should await his report. He was rather intended as an extra Assistant to the Collector to be employed anywhere where his services were most needed in settling remissions. Mr. Garstin should send in his proposals for each taluq as soon as he has materials for doing so. It is most desirable that remissions when they are likely to be extensive should be settled promptly.

3. Mr. Garstin thinks that railway works which have been given as contract cannot be counted as relief works; but contractors must employ labour and pay for it, so that their operations will be of great assistance in the anticipated crisis. It would be interesting to know how many men are employed on railway works in the different railway divisions of the district, and what kind of work remains to be done. The Collector will be good enough to ascertain and report further particulars.

4. Mr. Garstin's action in selecting works in the different taluqs is approved. He should send in lists of the works and localities when selected.

5. His further report on the attack of insects on last year's grain is awaited. A description of the insects should be given so as to enable those conversant with the subject to identify it.

No. 169.

ORDER THEREON, 17th March 1874, No. 358.

Miscellaneous.

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2. Specimens (living and preserved) of the insect referred to should be obtained and forwarded to Dr. Bidie, Superintendent Central Museum, who will be requested to submit his opinion on the subject after examination.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.
,, G. Banbury, Esq.
,, G. Bidie, Esq., M.B.

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Dated March 17th.

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G. O. 17th March 1874, No. 308.

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Settlement of remissions and adoption of
measures for relief of distressed poor in South
Arcot District.—Approves Board's Proceedings
regarding —, and concurs in their view about the
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3^d May 1874
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To The Secretary to
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sufficiently procurable. The people are very
much afraid.

(True translation)

(signed) J. H. Garrett
Collector.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 17th March 1874.

READ the following Res of the Board of Revenue.

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Enclosure with proceedings of the Board of Revenue to the Secretary, to Government, Revenue Department dated 17th March 1874.

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Copy of translation of remarks entered in the above report received from the Secretaries, South Arcot District.

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