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No. 236.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
AGRICULTURE, AND COMMERCE,

Miscellaneous.

SIR,—I am directed to forward, for
the information of the Government of
India, copy of the Proceedings of the

Board of Revenue, dated 6th March and 19th June, on the subject of the Cattle Show
held in January last at Adanki in the Nellore District.

2. In a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Depart-
ment, dated 23rd June 1875, No. 1,593, exception is taken to the grant of Imperial
Funds for the encouragement of Agricultural Exhibitions. This letter will be replied
to in due course.

3. The results of the Cattle Shows promoted by Government in the Nellore Dis-
trict are such as to lead this Government to believe that great benefit to the agricultural
interests of the Presidency are likely to accrue from them; and I am to state that it
would be a source of regret to this Government if the means available for the encour-
agement of such exhibitions are curtailed in deference to the desire for strict financial
uniformity without giving due weight to the consideration that the agricultural condi-
tions of the different provinces and the relations of Government revenue thereto are
far from identical.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) A. MACGREGOR,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

Agriculture (1875) Department.

Government of Fort St. George.

Dated 24th August 1875.

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FORWARDING, for information, copy of Proceedings of the Board of Revenue regarding the Cattle Show held at Adanki in the Nellore District in January 1875; and stating that it would be a source of regret to the Madras Government if the means available for the encouragement of such exhibitions were curtailed in deference to the desire for strict financial uniformity without giving due weight to the consideration that the agricultural conditions of the different provinces and the relations of Government revenue thereto are far from identical.

No. 1,791.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 29th June 1875.

Read the following letter from W. R. ROBERTSON, Esq., M.R.A.C., Superintendent, Government Farms, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 27th May 1875, No. 272:—

I HAVE the honor to submit the report called for in Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings, No. 3,108, dated the 19th April 1875.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

We have read with care the report on the Cattle Show held in 1875 at Addanki, which was communicated to us in Government Order, No. 558, dated the 8th of April 1875; we have also read the reports of the four preceding shows held there, and have the honor to state that we agree in thinking that these shows have been as successful as could reasonably have been expected, and we would strongly recommend that they should continue to be held annually as long as they yield such good results.

2. We would direct attention to the accompanying statements; that marked A. contains the opinions of the Committee of each Show from 1871 to 1875 inclusive. It will be noticed that these opinions are highly favorable. Statement B. gives the remarks of the judges on the different classes shown in each year from 1871 to 1875 inclusive, &c. After carefully examining these remarks, we are of the opinion that there is nothing in them at the least discouraging; at the last two shows in one or two classes there appears to have been some slight falling off in the quality of stock exhibited, but this was quite exceptional; for, judging from these remarks, the quality of the stock in most classes has not only been maintained, but in many instances considerably improved. We would not, however, attach too great importance to these "remarks," seeing that but few of the gentlemen who officiated as judges acted more than once in this capacity during the five years in question; and, as they had no common standard, it is not improbable that the different sets of judges attached very different meanings to such remarks as "a fine lot," "an indifferent lot," "a lot of moderate quality," "a middling lot," &c.

3. We believe that, even were it the fact that a small number of cattle are specially bred for these shows by a handful of men in a few villages, this would be sufficient encouragement to justify the holding of these shows. The presence of even a single improved bull in a village is a cause for satisfaction. Such animals must eventually make their mark on the breeding cattle of the district and improve them. The same observations apply equally to stallions of a superior kind, in the effect likely to be produced on the breed of horses of the district.

4. We would invite attention to the extraordinary success of the exhibits from Nellore at the late Agricultural Exhibition in Madras. From the published report we learn that of the fifty prizes awarded for cattle, sheep, and goats, though in competition with the whole Presidency, no less than thirty of these prizes were awarded to animals exhibited from the Nellore District, the amount of prize money thus secured being Rupees 740 out of a total of Rupees 1,337; awarded, or about 55 per cent. These animals were shown by nineteen different exhibitors; of these five only were prize-takers at the last Addanki Show, and nine only at the Nellore and Addanki Shows of 1874.

MADRAS,
27th May 1875.

(Signed) G. WESTERN, Veterinary Surgeon,
Inspector of Cattle Diseases, Madras.
(") W. R. ROBERTSON,
Superintendent, Government Farms.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 2 and 3.—Statements.

Revenue Dept

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read again Per M. G.

Rev. 6: March 1875 N. 545, recorded in G.O.

8: April 1875 N. 558, submitting report on

cattle show held at Adanki in January 1875

Read also the following

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Submitting joint report of Supt. Govt.

Farms & Veterinary Surgeon Western on the

Adanki show

N. E. 29: June 75 N. 1791

Order thereon 24: August 1875 N. 1272

The Govt. continued to

attach much importance to the Adanki

and Adanki Cattle Shows, and they regret

that the latter, which alone took place

last cold season, was not attended by

the Collector of the District

They

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to G. O., 8th April 1875, No. 558.

2. The Board concur generally in the opinion expressed by the Superintendent, Government Farms, and Veterinary Surgeon G. Western in their report, and recommend the continuance of the Addanki Show.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

C. H. Cotton
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with two statements to be returned.

Copy to Superintendent, Government Farms,
" Veterinary Surgeon Western.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

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PROCEEDINGS, 29th JUNE 1875, No. 1,791.

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JUNE.
No. 1,791.

Cattle Show — at Adanki in Nellore District
held in January 1875. — Joint report of Superin-
tendent of Government Farms and Veterinary
Surgeon Western regarding —, submitted to
Government, with recommendation in favor of
the continuance of the Show.

They are of the opinion, expressed in Pro:
Board of Revenue 13: April 1891 N. 1534, that
anything like discouragement from the
hand of the District is sure to have a
detrimental effect.

The Show under report seems
to have been, on the whole, fairly successful.
The buyers are reported to have been a
very poor lot, though there was a falling
off in cows. In ponies there was a satisfactory
improvement both in numbers and quality.

In the concluding part of the
report Mr. Glenney, the Sub Collector, alludes
to the fact that the successful exhibitors
are a limited class, that attempts to buy
young stock from these fair, and that they
do not belong to the class who deal in
cattle on a considerable scale, and the
Board of Revenue accept these arguments
as proving conclusively that these Annual
Shows

Shows have no beneficial effect on the
District generally.

His Excellency the Governor in
Council is satisfied, from the results
of these Shows, that a spirit of
competition has been excited, which, if
properly encouraged and directed, must
lead eventually to the formation of a
few herds of exceptional quality such
as must, in the natural course of
events, establish value sufficient to induce
the owners to part with individuals belonging
to them.

As observed by Mr. J. P.
Robertson and Western, in para 3 of
their report, the presence of even a
single improved Bull in a village
is a cause of satisfaction, as such
animals must eventually make their
mark on the breeding cattle of the District
and

and improve them.

The District of Melne is the only one in the Presidency in which systematic efforts have been made by Govt grants to Exhibitions of Cattle to improve the stock used for agricultural purposes.

The fact that at this show there were persons present ready to execute commissions on a large scale from Ceylon and India, coupled with the extraordinary success achieved by the Melne District at the last Mysore Agricultural Exhibition, when 30 prizes for animals were taken by that District out of 50 in competition with the whole Presidency, clearly proves that the policy in regard to these shows has not been without tangible results.

The expenditure, amounting to Rs 2292. 11-2, is sanctioned.

Ordered

Ordered that the following
letter be addressed to the Govt of India:—
(H. G. 24: August 1875 No. 1273).

(Time Expended)

(20) A. MacGuffin
My Secretary to Govt.

To

The Board of Revenue
— Accountant General

H. W. Roberts

Revenue Dept.
1273

N. 1273

Dear

Mr. James G. Esq.
Acting Secretary to Govt.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India
Dept. of Rev. Agr. & Commerce.

Sir

I am directed to forward, for the
information of the Govt. of India copy
of the Proc. of the Board of Revenue
dated 6. March and 29. June, on the
subject of the Cattle Show held in January
last at Mouki in the Nizam's D. & C.

In a letter from the Secy to the
Govt. of India, dated 28. June 1875 N. 1543, exception is
taken to the grant of Imperial Funds
for the encouragement of agricultural
exhibitions.

This letter will be replied to
in

Rev. Secy to Govt.
Revenue Dept.
24. Aug. 1875 N. 1272

in due course

The results of the Cattle Shows
promoted by Govt in the Nelson District
are such as to lead this Govt to believe
that great benefit to the agricultural
interests of the Presidency are likely to
accrue from them, and I am to state
that it would be a source of regret to
this Govt if the means available for the
encouragement of such exhibitions are
curtailed in deference to the desire for
strict financial uniformity, without giving
due weight to the consideration that the
agricultural conditions of the different
Provinces, and the relations of Govt revenue
there to, are far from identical.

I have &c.

6th November

24: August 1896

(Sd) / A. MacGillivray

Acting Secretary to Govt

L. W. G. S.

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London? (The Govt
of the Dept of Agric.
Hannover)

I am directed to
forward to the in/charge
of the G. V. I. copy of
the Pro. of the Board
of the dated 6 March
29 June on the
subject of the cattle
now kept in Janst
land at Adanki in
the Vellur District.

In a letter from the
Secy to the Govt. of the
Genl. Dept. dated 23 June
1875 no 1577 samples
is taken to the ranch

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To

Govt of India

Dept of Revenue & Finance

24: Aug 1875 No 1273

of Imperial funds
for the encouragement
of agricultural education
This letter will be
replied to in due
course

The results of the
Cotton Commission promoted
by Govt in the Valley
District are such
as to lead us to
believe that
great benefit to the
agricultural interests
of the Presidency are
likely to accrue from
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