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No. 19. From J. B. RICHEY, Esq., President, Deccan Riots' Commission, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Matheran, 16th November 1875.

THE Commission appointed to investigate the disturbances which have recently occurred in the Poona and Ahmednagar Districts of the Bombay Presidency are desirous of obtaining information regarding the system of land-revenue settlement in the Madras Presidency. It is found that the agriculturists of the Bombay Presidency are, as a class, deeply involved in debt, and it has been suggested that there may be some connection between their condition and the pressure of the land-revenue demand. I accordingly request the favor of your causing the Commission to be supplied with copies of any reports or papers exhibiting in detail the methods of survey, assessment, and collection of land-revenue which have been in force in the Madras Presidency in the last thirty years. The Commission will also be glad to receive copies of any papers that may exist on the subject of the condition of the agricultural classes, showing whether those classes are in any part of the Presidency in a condition of indebtedness, and, if so, to what causes their condition may be attributed.

(True Copy.)

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
1*st December* 1875.

No. 1,728.

No. 20.
To

THE PRESIDENT, DECCAN RIOTS' COMMISSION.

Miscellaneous.

Nos. IX., LIII., LXXIV.

SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 16th ultimo, I am directed to forward, as per margin, certain printed selections from the records of this Government relating to the Revenue Survey and Settlement in this Presidency. Some recent papers* giving later information on the same subject are also sent, together with a copy of the last *annual* Settlement Report submitted by the Board of Revenue with the order of the Government thereon; and in the paper noted in the margin will be found an account of the systems, &c., under which the land-revenue is realised.

* G. O., 11th May 1874, No. 584.
„ 17th Oct. „ „ 1,339.

G. O., 2nd September 1875, No. 1,314.
„ 4th February 1873, „ 143.

2. I am, also, to call attention to the information regarding the character of landed tenures, system of survey, settlement, &c., that is recorded in Part II. of the General Administration Report of this Presidency for 1872-73.

Paragraphs 13—20.

3. With advertence to the concluding portion of your letter, I am to state that there are no papers on record showing that the agricultural classes in this Presidency are in a state of indebtedness.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of {1875} Madras.

REVENUE.

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THE PRESIDENT,
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Dated December, 1st.

Read.

Encl.

Letter, 1st *December* 1875, No. 1,728.

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3. With advertence to the concluding portion of your letter, I am to state that there are no papers on record showing that the agricultural classes in the Ceded Districts are in a state of indebtedness, & that it is believed that this is not at all the case, speaking generally.

I doubt whether we can affirm this - WL

1st December 1875.

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President Deccan Riots
Commission

Forms papers on Revs Survey & Settlt
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