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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
31st October 1876.

No. 283. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd October 1876, No. 2,639 :—

Read the following letter from J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector of Bellary, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 21st October 1876, No. 390.

I HAVE the honor to report that there has been no change in the state of the season in this district.

* Bellary Town	10,154	By the latest accounts received from the taluqs 36,000* persons are being employed upon relief works, more than 10,000 of whom are at work in Bellary itself.
Hospett Taluq	1,007	
Kudlighi	1,972	
Hadgally	7,238	
Harpanhally	4,547	
Alur	3,000	
Cooty	3,910	
Tadpatry	500	
Raidrug	1,297	
Anantapur	855	
Dharmavaram	1,615	
	36,095	

From four taluqs no information received.

2. Cholum now sells at eight seers per Rupee, and in consequence the daily wage of a man has been raised to 2 Annas and that of a woman to 1½ Annas. The Deputy Collector has made the same increase in the Western Taluqs.

3. This officer reported a few days ago that exportation of grain from Moondrigi, in Dharwar, had, he heard, been prohibited. I accordingly telegraphed to the Collector of the Dharwar District to the effect that no prohibitory orders had been issued.

4. It is probable, however, that the supply to this usually large grain mart has greatly diminished. Grain is usually attracted to it from the Nizam's Dominions, and the Collector of Dharwar states that the authorities impose a tax of 3 Rupees on every bandy taking grain out of the territory. This almost amounts to a prohibition of export, and sufficiently accounts for the small supplies both in Moondrigi, in Dharwar, and in Chitwadgi, near Hospett, in this district, which is also a large grain mart.

5. The Deputy Collector, Venkatachellum Vuntulu, has asked me to send grain on behalf of Government to the Western Taluqs. I enclose copies of his letters. I do not myself see the necessity of this as yet. It is true that the source from which the grain marts in that part of the district have hitherto drawn has been closed, but in the course of a few days trade will adjust itself and grain will be drawn from Bellary instead, to which place it is pouring in by rail.

6. By a memorandum furnished by the Station Master at this place it appears that the tonnage of grain imported lately has been as follows :—

June.	July.	August.	September.
Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1,637	1,755	2,723	3,421

whilst in the first fifteen days of the current month the imports have amounted to 2,808 tons.

7. This shows that the merchants are alive to the necessities of the situation, and, although this great importation does not appear to cause any decrease in prices, it is satisfactory to know that there is no lack of the necessary of life.

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8. From this centre it is being distributed to all parts of the country, a great deal going to the Chitaldrug District, where matters appear to be as bad as they are here.

9. At the request of the Deputy Collector of the Harpanhally Division I have authorized him to issue cooked food to the aged and infirm poor and to the very young. In Bellary and in many large towns of the district such persons are being fed by private charity.

10. In his letter, No. 332, dated the 20th instant, the Deputy Collector reports two deaths which are said to have been due to want of food. One was of an old man. These most likely occurred before orders had reached the taluq to distribute cooked food.

11. In this letter again the Deputy Collector urges upon me the necessity of sending supplies of grain. The Tahsildar of Harpanhally has for some time been paying his coolies employed on relief works in grain, purchased in the neighbouring markets, and there is no objection to his continuing to do this. If he cannot obtain it in Harpanhally, he can get it from Tumberhally or Chitwadgi; but I do not wish yet to interfere with the traders by sending it all the way from Bellary.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From the Deputy Collector, Harpanhally Division, to the Collector of Bellary, dated Hospett,
19th October 1876, No. 221.

I HAVE the honor to report that jonnalu are being sold as follows:—

	Per Rupee.
Hospett	9½ seers.
Harpanhally	9½ "
Harpanhally	8 "

2. In pursuance to your permission to give food to the infirm and very young persons, I have directed the Tahsildar of Hospett, on 12th instant, to give food to children below ten

A copy of the order is enclosed.

years and to persons who are unable to work and get cooly.

3. I beg to enclose a copy of an Arzi from the Tahsildar of Harpanhally, dated 11th instant, No. 305, recommending the necessity of giving food to children and infirm people, and a copy of my order thereon, dated this day, authorizing him to give food to such persons.

Purport of the Arzi, No. 305, of the 11th October 1876, from the Tahsildar of Harpanhally, to his Division officer.

Cholum is now sold at 9½ seers per rupee. The aged and infirm and children under ten years are suffering. The hire earned by the able-bodied is hardly enough to maintain themselves, and those dependent upon them are left destitute. I would suggest all these persons being allowed a meal every day at 3 p.m. At this time the able-bodied will be at their work, and there would be no imposition.

Takeed, No. 455, dated 12th October 1876, to Hospett.

You are directed to get cholum food prepared for the use of children under ten years and helpless persons who are not able to do work; adults should receive half a seer and children half of that. The money to be obtained from the funds at your disposal for relief works. A regular account should be kept and a copy of it sent to me once every week.

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Takeed, No. 238, dated 13th October 1876, to Harpanhally Tahsildar.

Cholum food prepared should be issued to children below ten years of age, to the helpless such as blind and lame, and to persons disabled to work through old age. Rate to be half a seer to adults and half of that to children. Money required to be taken from funds allotted for relief works. Account to be kept and copy forwarded weekly.

From the Deputy Collector, Harpanhally Division, to the Collector of Bellary, dated Hospett,
14th October 1876, No. 225.

I HAVE the honor to enclose, for your perusal, copies of an Arzi from the Tahsildar of Huvinhadgally, dated 11th instant, No. 366, reporting that no jonnalu have come to Tumberhally market on 10th instant, and that jonnalu are being sold at Haddagally at 8 seers a Rupee, and recommending the increase of the cooly which is paid to the cooly-men, and of my order thereon, sanctioning the increase as recommended.

2. Vijearaghavulu Naidu, Acting Sub-Magistrate of Bellary, who came here on his way to Bellary, reported to me that all the bandies which had gone to Moondragy from Haddagally and other places to purchase jonnalu have returned, and stated that the authorities of that place prohibited exportation of jonnalu from that station.

3. This day is the market-day at Chitwadgi. No bandies have come bringing cholum, while two hundred bandies have come to purchase and carry. The consequence is that jonnalu are being sold at eight seers per Rupee. Rice is sold as follows:—

	SEERS.
1st Sort	5½
2nd "	6
3rd "	6½

4. The Tahsildar of Hospett has purchased this day jonnalu for the poor-house, at eight seers a Rupee. The marginal memorandum shows the jonnalu sold on 12th and 13th instant in the poor-house of this station, and there is probability of daily increase of children, &c., requiring relief.

	SEERS.	90	31
12th	39	240	42
13th	50		

5. With reference to the last paragraph of your letter of the 14th September last, No. 1,297, informing me "that the season in other parts of India is good and grain in abundance will doubtless pour into Bellary by rail if the price continues high, and that if absolutely necessary, we can then send it on to the western

* For one month's consumption. The population of the three taluqs is estimated at two lakhs and seventy thousand. One lakh seers of jonnalu per day.

taluqs; I respectfully beg that you will be pleased to send for 625 garces* of jonnalu, and send it to Hospett, where I will have it sold at such rate as you may fix, so that there may be no loss to Government.

From the Deputy Collector, Harpanhally Division, to the Collector of Bellary, dated Hospett,
15th October 1876, No. 327.

I HAVE the honor to report that this day is the market-day at Hospett where jonnalu are being sold at eight seers a Rupee wholesale price, and seven seers a Rupee retail price.

2. With reference to my letter of 14th instant, requesting that 625 garces of jonnalu may be sent for the use of the population of my division, I beg to request that for the present some bandies (say 30 or 20 or at least 12) of jonnalu may be sent to me at once for the use of the coolies on the famine works in the three taluqs. I am in hopes that as soon as the people see that Government have begun to supply grain, they will be induced to put up to sale any grain which they may have in addition to their wants.

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From the Deputy Collector, Harpanhally Division, to the Collector of Bellary, dated Hospett,
16th October 1876, No. 328.

I HAVE the honor to report that rice and jonnalu are being sold at Hospett this day as follows:—

	1st Sort per Rupee.	2nd Sort.	3rd Sort.
Rice	4½ seers.	5½ seers.	5½ seers.
Jonnalu	8 ..	8½ ..	...

2. People are afraid to travel before day-break and to go singly. Highway robberies are being committed solely for the sake of bread which the low-class travellers take with them and for clothes on the travellers.

3. It is difficult for travellers to get grain in the villages of the taluqs, except those on the river-channels. I fear that there will be great calamity if no measures are taken to get grain imported into this division. Some persons might have grain which may be sold, but they are fearful, lest this drought might continue long, and they may suffer, if they part with their grain.

From the Deputy Collector, Harpanhally Division, to the Collector of Bellary, dated Hospett,
20th October 1876, No. 332.

I HAVE the honor to enclose a copy of an Arzi from the Tahsildar of Harpanhally, dated 17th instant, No. 313, reporting that two persons died in Sattoor for want of food, and that some others are suffering for the same reason.

2. I beg to enclose a copy of an Arzi, dated 18th instant, No. 319, from the same Tahsildar reporting the suffering of the people of Govanahal, Vadasanahal, and Dibbadahally, and the circumstance of cholera not being procurable even at five seers a Rupee. The Village Munsif of Govanahal reports that two coolies who were working fainted as they had no food for the preceding two days, and that some residents of Vadasanahal left the village.

3. I beg to enclose a copy of an Arzi from the same Tahsildar, dated 18th instant, No. 321, reporting that he has commenced on the 17th instant to give food to children and infirm men, and that on the first day 627 children and 200 infirm and old men having attended, he distributed between them the cooked food of one hundred seers of cholera.

4. I beg to represent that hundreds of coolies are working in all the villages where no cholera is being procured. Although the rate of cooly is raised to two Annas, complaints are coming that it is not sufficient to get one seer of cholera.

5. In the villages of Melagond, Manair, Masalvada, and Corlahally coolies more than one thousand in each have been working, and they are not able to get grain. I therefore submit that cholera may be supplied to the Tahsildars for the purpose of being distributed for the coolies. In the event of our not supplying grain, the coolies will not be able to get grain, and the relief will cost money to Government, but give no actual relief to the poor in want of food.

Arzi No. 313 of Tahsildar of Harpanhally, to General Deputy Collector, Harpanhally Division.

WHILE inspecting certain relief works, I received a report from the Reddy of Sattoor that two persons have been starved to death, and that others were in a very weak state. Of the persons who died one was 70 years, the other younger. Even if relief works were opened out here the infirm and old cannot be expected to come, and other means of relief are not possible. It is not that the famine is severer here than elsewhere, but there are a great number of old people. The repair of the calingulah of this village was sanctioned at Rs. 247-8-0, and the work has been put in hand with a loan of Rs. 50. In the cusbah, food is distributed to the aged and young children.

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Arzi from the Tahsildar of Harpanhally Taluq, to the Deputy Collector, Bellary District, dated 18th October 1876, No. 319.

I ENCLOSE for your perusal the report from the Reddy of Govanahal, who states that the sufferings of the people about Govanahal, Vadasanahal, and Dibbadahally are great, and that cholera could not be had even at 5 seers a Rupee.

2. In this part of the country a well-work is being carried on at the village of Kencur-manahal. I will commence the Ittigy road-work from to-morrow, sanctioned in the order of 3rd instant, No. 269.

From the Tahsildar of Harpanhally Taluq, to the Deputy Collector, Harpanhally Division, dated 18th October 1876, No. 321.

Food is being distributed to the aged and very young since yesterday. I had 100 seers of ground cholera cooked, intending to distribute it at two lumps for each man, but the crowd was so great that each such lump was sub-divided again. Eight hundred and twenty-seven were thus relieved, among whom were mothers of young infants. I am in doubt how to deal with them. They cannot be sent to the works with their children at the relief houses. I had 250 seers of cholera cooked this day.

From the Deputy Collector, Harpanhally Division, to the Collector of Bellary, dated Hospett,
20th October 1876, No. 333.

I HAVE the honor to enclose, for your information, copy of an Arzi from the Deputy Tahsildar of Kumply, dated 17th instant, No. 21, reporting that six bandies of cholera came to Kumply on 17th instant (market-day), and that no cholera came from Nizam's villages. The grain was sold at 8 seers a Rupee.

instant, reporting that cholera was sold on 17th (market-day) from 7 to 8 seers, and that there is a report that the Nizam's authorities prohibited exportation of grain.

3. The fact is that no grain is coming from Nizam's villages, whether by their orders or from exportation duty, or from dearness.

4. There is no hope of getting grain from the villages of Mysore or of Nizam. I do not think that Dharwar is in a better state; for several inhabitants of Dharwar District are working on the relief works in Huvinhadgally.

5. I reported in my letter of this date, No. 332, the death of two persons for want of food, and the emigration of certain ryots.

6. I trust that you will consider that the time to leave the matter to the enterprise of the merchants is over, and that the necessity for the Government taking measures to supply grain for market has arrived. I think that if we do not interfere at present, we will have in a few days to distribute grain gratis to the surviving people.

Arzi from the Deputy Tahsildar of Kumply, to the Deputy Collector, Bellary Division, dated 17th October 1876, No. 21.

TO-DAY six bandy-loads of cholera came to the market of Kumply from Bellary. It was sold at eight seers a Rupee. No cart-loads were purchased for exportation to other villages. For the last eight days no grain is received from the Nizam's country.

* This shows that trade with Bellary has begun.
(Signed) J. H. M.

Arzi from the village officer of Tumberhally, Taluq of Huvinhadgally, to the Deputy Collector, Bellary District, dated 18th October 1876, No. 5.

ABOUT thirty carts of cholera came for the market of this place on Tuesday the 17th October. It was sold at the rate of from 7 to 8 seers a Rupee according to quality. No cholera carts

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Transpart of the Arzi N. 305 of the 11th
October 1876 from the Sahibdar of
Haripurhalla to his Division
officer.

Cholera is now sold at $9\frac{1}{2}$ seers
per Rupee. The aged and infirm
and children under 10 years are
suffering. The hire earned by the
able bodied is hardly enough
to maintain themselves, and
those dependant upon them
are left destitute. I would sug-
gest all these persons being
allowed a meal every day
at 3 P.M. At this time the able
bodied will be at their work
and there would be no im-
position.

Lahore N. 455
dated 12th Oct.
1876 to
Hosp etc.

you are directed to get cholera
food prepared for the use
of children under 10 years
and helpless persons who
are not able to do work. adults
should receive half a seer
and children half of that.
The money to be obtained
from

Govt. of 1876

REVENUE.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Co., Secy, Secy

Dated October 31st

Recd.

Encl.

G.O. 31st October 1876, No. 133

OCTOBER

No. 283-284

Given in the Public Office - According
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue reporting
that there has been no change in the state of
the ---

from the funds at your disposal for relief works. A regular account should be kept and a copy of it sent to me once every week.

Cholam food prepared should be issued to children below 10 years of age, to the helpless such as blind and lame and to persons disabled to work through old age. The rate to be half a seer to adults and half of that to children. Money required to be taken from funds allotted for relief works. Account to be kept and copy forwarded weekly.

Lakshmi St.
268 dated
13 October
1876 to Har-
pranahally
Lahsildar.

copy of the
order is en-
closed.

Letter from V. Venkatchellam, District
Deputy Collector, Harpranahally Division
to the collector of Bellary, No 321, dated
13th October 1876, Camp Hospett.

I have the honor to report that your
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Hospetta 9 1/2 seers.

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Harpranahally 8 "

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people, and a copy of my order
thereon dated this day authorizing
him to give food to such persons.

I have &c.
(Signed) V. Venkatchellam
District Deputy Collector

Letter from the Deputy Collector, Har-
pranahally Division, to the Collector
of Bellary, No. 325, dated 14th October
1876, Camp Hospetta.

I have the honor to enclose for your personal copy of an ari from the Subildar of Haidagally dated 11th Instant at 366 reporting that no Gornali have come to Luni. but the market on 10 Instant, and that Gornali are being sold at Haidagally at 8 seers a rupee, and recommending the increase of the cooly which is paid to the cooly men, and of my order thereon sanctioning the increase as recommended.

2. Vijayaraghavulu Naidu, Acting Sub Magistrate of Bellary, who came here on his way to Bellary reported to me that all the bandies which had gone to Mossa dragy from Haidagally and other places to purchase Gornali have returned and stated that the authorities of that place prohibited exportation of Gornali from that Station.

3. This day is the market day at Chitwadigi. No bandies have come bringing cholum, while

No children of 12 in. who received food

12 th	Seers	- 90	- 81
13 th		- 50	- 240
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* For one month this common station. The population of the 3 taluqs is estimated at 2 lacs 87 thousands and. One lac seers of Gornali per day.

two hundred bandies have come to purchase and carry. The consequence is that Gornali are being sold at 8 seers per rupee. Rice is sold as follows. -

1 st sort	5 1/2 seers
2 nd "	6 "
3 rd "	6 1/2 "

4. The Subildar of Hospita has purchased this day Gornali for the poor house at 8 seers a rupee. The marginal memo. shows the Gornali cooked on 12th & 13th Instant in the post house of this station, and there is probability of daily increase of children requiring relief.

5. With reference to the last para. of your letter of the 14th September last at 1297 informing me that the season in other parts of India is good and grain in abundance will doubtless pour into Bellary by rail if the prices continues high, and that if absolutely necessary we may then send it on to the Western Ghats. I respectfully beg that you will be pleased to send for 625 gals of Gornali and send it to Hospita where I will have it sold at such rate as you may find so that

that there be no loss to
 Government.
 Signed, V. Vankatachallam
 Pantulu, Deputy Collector
 Letter from the Deputy Collector, War-
 hally Division to the Collector of Bellary
 328 dated 15 October 1876. Camp Hospite.

I have the honor to report that this
 day is the market day at Hospite where
 Gommaler are being sold at 8 seers
 a rupee wholesale price, and 7 seers
 a rupee retail price.

2. With reference to my letter of 14
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 (Signed) V. Vankatachallam Pantulu
 Deputy Collector
 Letter from the Deputy Collector War-
 hally Division to the Collector
 of Bellary, N. 328 dated 16 October
 1876, Camp Hospite.

I have the honor to report that rice and
 Gommaler are being sold at Hospite
 this day as follows:-

	1st sort - per rupee	2nd sort	3rd sort
Rice	4 3/4 seers	5 1/4 seers	5 3/4 seers
Gommaler	8	8 1/4	"

2. People are afraid to travel before
 day break and to go singly. Night
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 solely for the sake of bread which the
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 & for clothes on the travellers.
 3. It is difficult for travellers to get
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 I fear that there will be great dearth
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(Signed) V. Vankatachallam
 Pantulu & Co. Secy

Letter from the Deputy Collector, Hurpanahally, D.
to the Collector of Bellary, N^o 332, dated 20 Oct. 1876.
Camp Hospett.

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N^o 319 from the same Tahsildar reporting the suffering
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Dy Collector.

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To General Dy Collector, Harpanahally Division

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(Sd) H. Venkoba Rao
Tahsildar.

No 319.

To. Vudlamuradi Venkatachellam
Muntulw. Dy Collr Bellary District.
The Arzi of H. Venkoba Rao
Tahsildar of Harpanahally

I enclose for your perusal the report
from the Paddy of Govanahall who states that
the sufferings of the people about Govanahall
Vadasanahall and Dibbadahally are great
and that cholam could not be had ^{any} at 5 seers
a Rupee.

In this part of the Country a well-work
is being carried on at the village of Keneham-
manahall. I will commence the Ittasy
road-work from tomorrow, sanctioned
in the order of Government No 269.

Yours obedt servant
(Sd) H Venkoba Rao
Tahsildar.

18 Oct^r 1876.

No 321.

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18.10.76

(Sd) H. Venkoba Rao
Tahsildar of
Harpanahally Taluq.

Collector.

Letter from the Deputy Collector ^{17/53} Harpam.
hally Division to the Collector of
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in Kurinbadgally.

5. I reported in my letter of this date N: 332 the death of 2 persons for want of food, and the emigration of certain ryots.

6. I trust that you will consider that the time to leave the matter to the enterprise of the merchants is over, and that the necessity for the Government taking measures to supply grain for market has arrived. I think that if we do not interfere at present, we will have in a few days to distribute grain gratis to the suffering people.

I have &c
(Signed) V. Venkatachellum
Pantulu, Deputy Collector

Arzi from Ladini Venkoba Row De.
puty Tahsildar of Rumpali to Vadha.
mamaty Venkatachellum Pantulu
Deputy Collector Bellary Division
N: 21.

50 dayb. andy loads of cholam came to the market of Rumpali from Bellary. It was sold at 8 seers a rupee. No cart loads were purchased for exportation to other villages. For the last 8 days, no grain is received from the Vizian's

This shows that trade with Bellary has begun.

Khasta

country. your obedient servant;
(Signed) L. Venkoba Row De.
Deputy Tahsildar.

17th October 1876.

Arzi from the village officers of Rumpali to Vadhamanati Venkatachellum Pantulu, Deputy Collector, Bellary District. N: 3.

About 30 carts of cholam came for the market of this place on Tuesday the 17th October. It was sold at the rate of from 7 to 8 seers a rupee according to quality. No cholam carts came from the Vizian's country owing, it seems, to orders having been issued there that no cholam should be exported to our side. The cholam was brought from the market of Chittawadi. About 40 carts came here to purchase cholam. They returned without making any purchases, the prices having risen very high. A list showing the prices of the different grains is herewith attached. A perusal of this will inform you of every thing.

(Signed) Lakshmana
18th October 1876.

True

(True Copies and abstracts of Appies
and T. & Co.)

W. W. W. W. W.
Collector

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Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 23 October 1876

Read the following

No 390.

From

The Collector of
Bellary
To
The Secretary to the Board of
Revenue, Bangalore

Sir,

I have the honor to report
that there has been no change
in the state of the season in
this District.

Bellary Town	10154
Kaspet Taluk	1007
Kudligi	1972
Hadgally	7238
Murpukally	4547
Ahur	3000

P.T.O.

* By the latest
accounts re-
ceived from
the Taluk 36000
persons are
leaving

Goaty. 3910

Ladpaty 500

Raidy 1297

Anantapote. 855

Dharwar 1615

3695

From four taluqs

no information

received

being employed

upon relief

works more

than three

thousand

of whom are

at work in

Bellary itself.

2 Cholum now sells at

8 seers per Rupee and in con-

sequence the daily wage

of a man has been raised

to two annas and that of a

woman to one anna and a

half. the Deputy Collector

has made the same

increase

15/33
increase in the Western taluqs.

3 This officer reported a few days ago that exportation of grain from Moodrige in Dharwar had, he heard, been prohibited. I accordingly telegraphed to the collector of the District and he replied to the effect that no prohibitory orders had been issued.

4 It is probable however that the supply to this usually large grain mart has greatly diminished. Grain is usually attracted to it from the Nizam's Dominions and the collector of Dharwar states that the authorities

authorities impose a tax of three Rupees on every bandy taking grain out of the territory. This almost amounts to a prohibition of export and sufficiently accounts for the small supplies both in Moondrygi in Dharwar and in Kithwadgi near Hospett. in this District which is also a large grain mart.

5. The Deputy Collector, Venkataswami Perumthala has asked me to send grain on behalf of Government to the Western Sahags. I enclose copies of his letters.

I do not myself see the necessity of this as yet. It is true that the same from which the train starts in that part of the district have hitherto drawn, have been closed, but in the course of a few days, trade will adjust itself, and grain will be drawn from Bellary instead, to which place it is passing by rail.

6 By a memorandum furnished by the Station Master at this ¹⁶ ¹⁸⁵³ it appears that the tonnage of grain imported lately has been as follows:

June	July	August	Sept
tons	tons	tons	tons
1637	1755	2723	3421

whilst in the first fifteen days of the current month the imports have amounted to 2808 tons.

7 This shows that the merchants are alive to the necessities

necessities of the situation, and although
 this great importation does not ap-
 -pear to cause any decrease in prices,
 it is satisfactory to know that there
 is no lack of the necessary of life
 & from this centre it is being
 distributed to all parts of the
 country; a great deal of grain to the
 Chitalong district where matters
 appear to be as bad as they are here.

9 At the request of the Deputy
 Collector of the Harpenhally Division,
 I have authorized him to issue
 cooked food to the aged and
 infirm poor and to the very young.
 In Kellany and in many large
 towns

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 towns of the District such persons are
 being fed by private charity.

10. In his letter of 12-2-22 dated the 20th
 instant the Deputy Collector reports
 two deaths which are said to have been
 due to want of food. One was of an
 old man. These most likely occurred
 before orders had reached the Taluk
 to distribute cooked food.

11. In this letter again the Deputy
 Collector urges upon me the necessity
 of sending supplies of grain. The
 Tahsildar of Harpenhally has for
 some time been paying his coolies¹⁷₁₅₃₃
 employed on relief works in grain,
 purchased in the neighbouring markets,
 and there is no objection to his
 continuing to do this. If he cannot
 obtain it in Harpenhally, he can
 get it from Tumberhally or Chit-
 waddy, but I do not wish yet to
 interfere

interfere with the traders by sending it
all the way from Bellary.

Bellary Collector's Office, } I have &c
21st October 1876 — } (Signed) J. H. Master
Collector -

Submitted for information of
Government.

(True Copy & Extract)

W. H. M.
As Secretary

To,
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
with one Enclosure to be returned

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W. H. M.

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