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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,  
15th November 1876.*

No. 258. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th November 1876, No. 2788:—

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Saidapet, 4th November 1876, No. 615:—

REFERRING to paragraph 2 of the Proceedings of the Board, No. 1,491, dated 6th June last, and with reference to my Nos. 249 and 316, dated respectively 1st and 30th May 1876, in which I reported on the agricultural prospects of the district and the relief works which might be required hereafter, though not then necessary, I regret now to have to inform the Board that the total failure of the north-east monsoon up to date, following a loss of dry crops and the bad seasons of the previous year, makes the opening of relief works in certain localities imperatively called for at once.

2. The parts where relief is most required are, as I anticipated at paragraph 10 of my No. 316 above quoted, the northern portion of the district and the western part of Conjeveram Taluq; to these I must add the southern part of the Trivellore Taluq and the part of Saidapet bordering on Conjeveram and Trivellore.

3. I have just returned from Ponneri, and have visited some of the principal villages, where distress was reported to be most felt, and there can be no question that things are in a critical state; the poorer classes are on short fare and cannot get work and are beginning to leave their villages, while the well-to-do are pinched and cannot afford to help them. This was only what I anticipated, and what I was watching carefully, if we did not have a good north-east monsoon. Last year, though heavy remissions were granted, the ryots lost all profit; this year the dry crops are an utter failure as a rule, and now there is no north-east monsoon, and no wet crops. I passed fields and fields of manavari (rain-fed) lands, of which there is so much in the Ponneri Taluq, planted with wet crops in anticipation of heavy rainfall, withered or withering; in fact those who have not planted nunjah are better off than those who have, as they have saved their seed.

4. I enclose a table (A) showing the cultivation of this and the past three years. The falling off this year as compared even with last, a bad season, is most marked. I enclose translations of extracts (B, C, D, E, F, G, and H) from arzis and season reports received from the Tahsildar of Ponneri. I propose the following relief works\* in the

Ponneri Taluq, and request an immediate grant of Rupees 15,000. No ponds will be deepened or repaired, unless they have springs and are near roads, and therefore useful to the general public:—

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| Deepening drinking pools to be selected from list marked J .. .. .                                | 6,000 |
| Gravelling earth road from Ponneri to Pulicat, 9 miles, at Rupees 500 per mile .. .. .            | 4,500 |



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I do not wish to undertake this last, unless the distress continues, and becomes more felt.

5. The Superintending Engineer, has suggested that the embankments to the Corilliar and Naranavay rivers, for which estimates have been already sanctioned, but the execution whereof is deferred, pending the receipt of certain revenue information, should be proceeded with, and should be given up, if this done also if funds are available.

6. I further propose, with the permission of the Board, to postpone for the present all collection of ryotwary revenue by coercive process, both as regards arrears and the approaching kistbundies; this will be a great boon to the ryots, and will lighten the present pressure considerably. In every village I passed through, some without any notice, ryots turned out of their own accord and made one and the same complaint—want of water even for drinking purposes, high prices, and total loss of crops.

7. I shall visit Trivellore and the western part of Saidapet next week, and report on the necessity for commencing the road from Sathiyed to Tadda from the northern end and the two minor roads entered in the list, which accompanied my No. 249, after consulting the Tahsildars. The following week I propose going again to the Ponneri Taluq, and in the meantime, I trust money will be placed at my disposal. I should note here that I have had to add relief works to those entered in the original list, owing to the total failure of wet and manavari cultivation in and around Ponneri itself.

8. I enclose copy (J) of a letter from the Acting Sub-Collector reporting on the state of parts of the Conjeveram Taluq, and asking for an immediate grant of Rs. 5,000. It requires no comment, except that I strongly support the application and approve of the measures for relief proposed, though I doubt whether the sum asked for will be sufficient. I visited all this locality recently at the close of what should have been the south-west monsoon; the ryots were complaining bitterly of the failure of their dry crops and water was scarce for men and cattle. A heavy shower or two, however, while I was there, put a little water into the pools and encouraged the ryots to plough, and I was in hopes that, if the north-east monsoon set in early, the crisis might be tided over; but total failure of rain has ensued instead. I have been expecting this report from the Sub-Collector, who had been requested to watch this locality narrowly, but I made no special reference to him since, and he has arrived at his conclusion that the that the Sub-Collector apprehends the necessity for relief in the Madrantakum and Chingleput Taluqs also and promises details and definite proposals hereafter.

9. As regards supervision, the Board will observe from the map (K) herewith forwarded that the roads all lie so as to be convenient of access from the Northern Trunk Road. I hope to be able to visit them all about once a week; while as regards Trivellore and the western part of Conjeveram, I have exceptional advantages as regards transit by rail, and the last will have the benefit of the Sub-Collector's personal supervision as well. I shall put each Tahsildar in immediate charge of the works in his taluq, the Sheristadar managing at Head-quarters, with a picked Revenue Inspector to assist him.

10. If more details are required, I will furnish them hereafter, but I hope I have sufficiently shown that assistance is necessary. I only returned from Ponneri late last night, and am anxious that this report should be in the hands of the Board on Monday, as work should be commenced without delay.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Cultivation Statement.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 2 to 8.—Translations of Extracts from Arzis, &c.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 9 and 10.—Statements of Works.

ENCLOSURE No. 11.

From S. T. McCARTHY, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector of Chingleput, to R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of Chingleput, dated Gundoojanjeri, 31st October 1876, No. 738.

With reference to your letter, No. 1,874 of the 14th instant, I beg to inform you that I have since been to Conjeveram, in which place and at Wallajahbad I have made full inquiries regarding the present condition of the people. The result is that, owing to the very unfavorable character of the season arising from the want of rain and consequent failure of the crops, I find distress is beginning to make itself felt. It is not very serious at present, and there is yet room to hope that, with a good monsoon, matters may assume a more favorable aspect, but the present condition of things is such that I consider it necessary to adopt without delay some measures of relief. From information supplied by the Tahsildar and others, I find that many people have had to leave their villages in search of employment in Madras and other localities, especially in places where there are Coffee Plantations. There is also a great scarcity of drinking water in many villages. The prices of rice and other grains have risen considerably, and difficulty is now felt in obtaining them at reasonable prices. Some merchants, who have paddy in store, are very unwilling to dispose of it, and the intervention of the Tahsildar has, in some cases, been necessary to persuade them to do so. Others sell rice in large quantities and at high prices to merchants in Bellary, Cuddapah, &c.; some of the inhabitants of Conjeveram raised an alarm about this state of things, and made complaints to the Tahsildar; but as I have abovementioned, he with the aid of the Town Deputy and the Inspector of Police, has succeeded in persuading some of the grain-merchants to sell rice in small quantities for ready money and to procure some from Madras for that purpose. So he has contrived to soothe their alarms for the present. The Tahsildar, however, urges the necessity of opening out relief works at once, as matters are beginning to assume a serious aspect, and the state of things will be very bad, indeed, if the monsoon should fail. Many of the laboring classes are unable to find employment. I think, therefore, it is advisable to lose no time in asking you to apply for a special grant of money to be spent in useful works, such as deepening ponds and repairing roads. There are some useful roads which I think it would be desirable to seize the present opportunity of putting in repair and many new roads which might be constructed.

I would instance, in particular, the following three works:—

- (1.) Repairing road from Conjeveram to the Palar river by Sevilimedu (2½ miles).
- (2.) Repairing road from Conjeveram to Karam (6 miles).
- (3.) Making new road from Sunkavar's choultry to Maduramangalam.

(The Local Fund Board are not in a position at present to carry on this last-mentioned work).

\* Herein below appended.

The Tahsildar gives a list\* of 16 tanks in different villages, which he proposes should be deepened.

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Name of tanks in need of repairs in the Conjeveram Taluq :—  
Kandappa tank at Dandel.  
Tank near Seelimadu.  
Kandappa tank near Serukavarpakam.  
Tank near Reganambet.  
Do. near Sathamah's choultry.  
Paruthikulam.  
Tank at Chadaye nthalgal.  
Kozhathakolam in Rayjee Chuttram Road.  
(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,  
Collector.

Enclosure No. 12.—Map.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The Board regret to learn that the prospects of the Chingleput District are so bad. The Collector proposes to start relief works at once in the Ponneri Taluq, and asks for a grant of Rupees 15,000 (Rupees 9,000 for road works and Rupees 6,000 for works of water-supply) for expenditure in that taluq. He also supports the application of the Sub-Collector for a grant of Rupees 5,000 for relief works in the Conjeveram taluq. The Sub-Collector asks in addition for Rupees 5,000 for works in Chingleput.

3. The Board resolve to place the sum of Rupees 25,000 at the Collector's disposal. The works so far as specified by Messrs. Barlow and McCarthy are approved, but, as regards works of water-supply, the orders conveyed in G.O., No. 929, dated 11th July 1876, should be observed. Details of the appropriation of the grants of Rupees 5,000 each for the taluqs of Conjeveram and Chingleput should be reported.

4. Mr. Barlow anticipates necessity for further relief works in the southern part of Trivellore and in the parts of Saidapet bordering on Conjeveram, but promises further report on those tracts after personal inspection and inquiry.

5. In paragraph 5 the Collector recommends, in accordance with the suggestion of the Superintending Engineer, that, if funds can be made available, the embankments of the Certilliar and Naranaveram rivers for which estimates have been sent to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation should be proceeded with. These are very important works, and the Board support the Collector's recommendation to which they request the attention of Government.

6. The Collector is authorized with reference to paragraph 6 to suspend collections of ryotwary land revenue for the present, and while the pressure continues.

7. Board's Proceedings, No. 2,764, dated 7th November 1876, containing suggestions by the Director of Revenue Settlement for the organization of village relief works will be communicated to the Collector. The arrangements proposed for the supervision of the works proposed for execution at once have the Board's approval.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,  
Acting Secretary.

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No. 289.

ORDER THEREOF, 15th November 1876, No. 1,687.

Miscellaneous.

The Governor in Council is of opinion that it would be preferable to employ the distressed laboring population of the Chingleput District in the conversion of the ~~...~~ to the metre gauge; sanction for which was conveyed in G.O., Public Works No. 2,634 of 30th September last.

2. The South Indian Railway Company's Agent will be requested, through the Public Works Department, to avail himself of this sanction. The work, it is presumed, would afford all the relief desired by the Collector.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue  
" the Public Works Department.  
" the Financial Department.  
" the Inspector-General of Police.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman,



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Advancing 25000 Rs for Relief  
works in Chingleput.

Reference to His place's work -  
I put up G.O. Notice Works of  
30/9-6 No 634 - showing that the  
conversion of the Congerian branch  
railway to be metre gauge has been  
sanctioned; but Genl Walker  
informs me that there will be  
very little unskilled labour

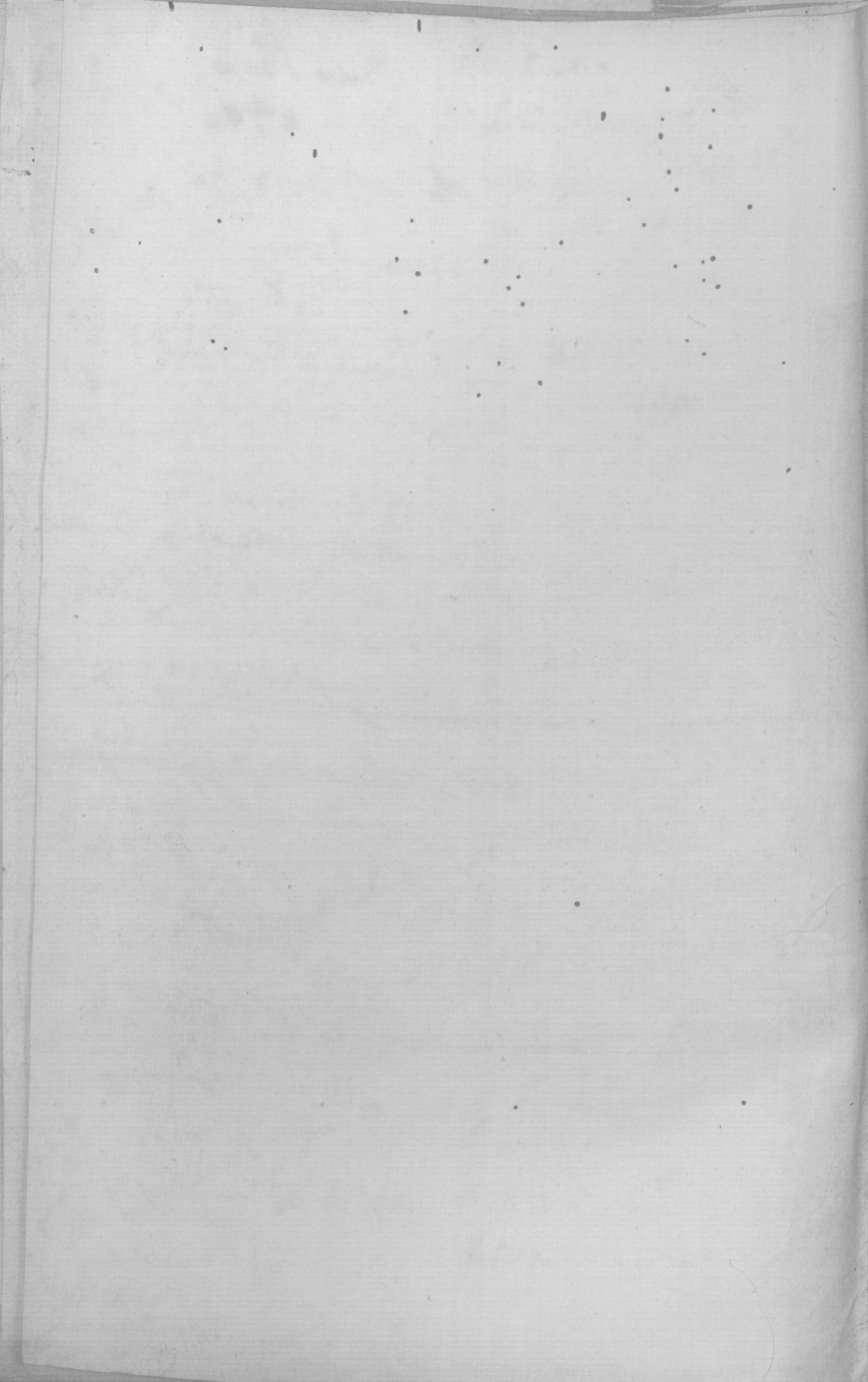
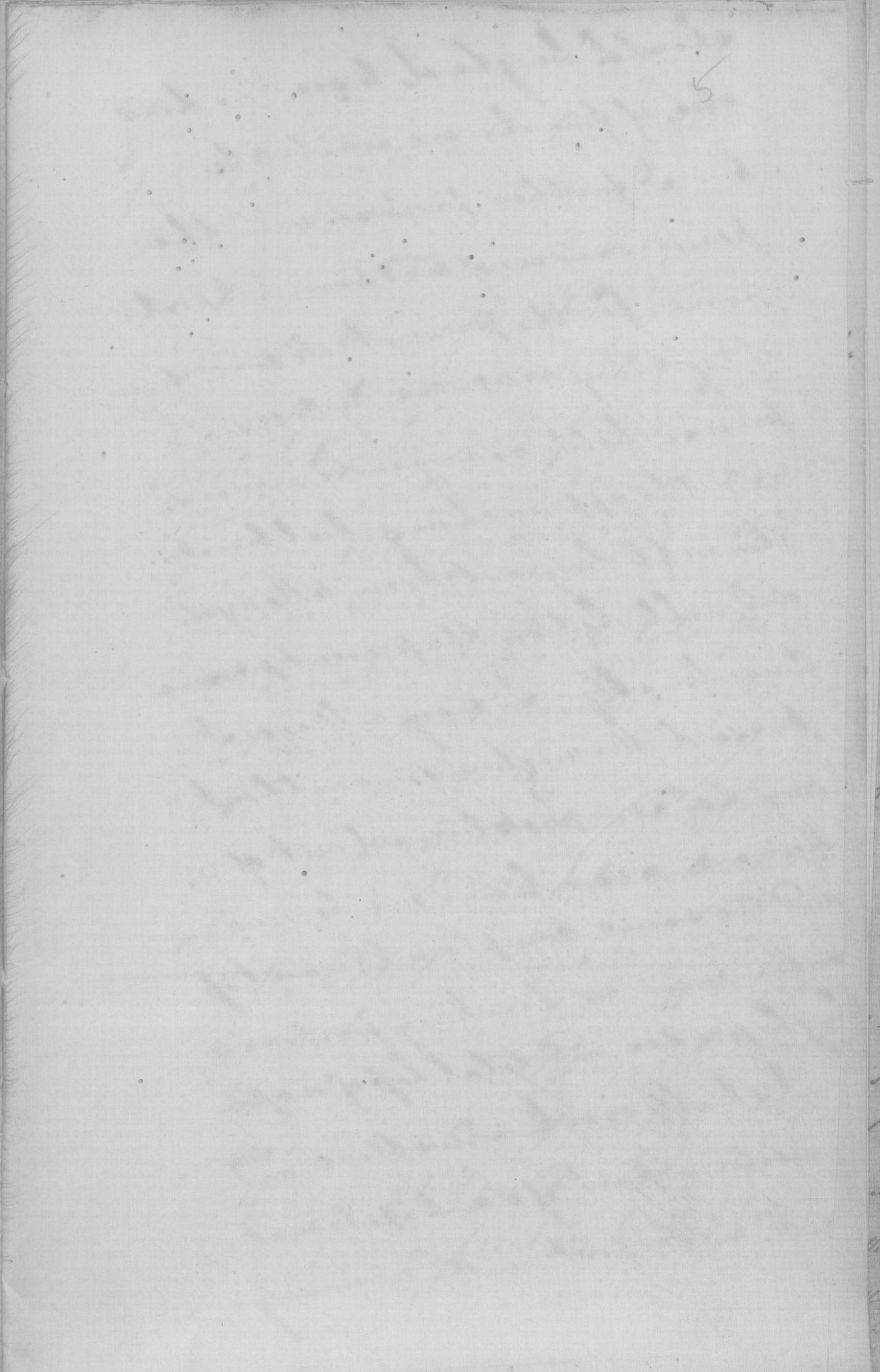
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If only the extension to Chingleput  
were sanctioned, there would be plenty.  
Perhaps this extension might ~~not~~  
again be pressed on the Govt. funds.

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Please ascertain whether this piece works in Railway to take up - instead of the works named by Barlow, i.e. a double road making

been done -  
Sum asked for 25,000  
vide my note & Mr. Price's remarks overleaf

Yes. This of people  
thinks the 15/11/6  
Shd. be moved to  
take up the conversion  
of Acornum (my 11/6  
& 2 lots back  
from Relief road  
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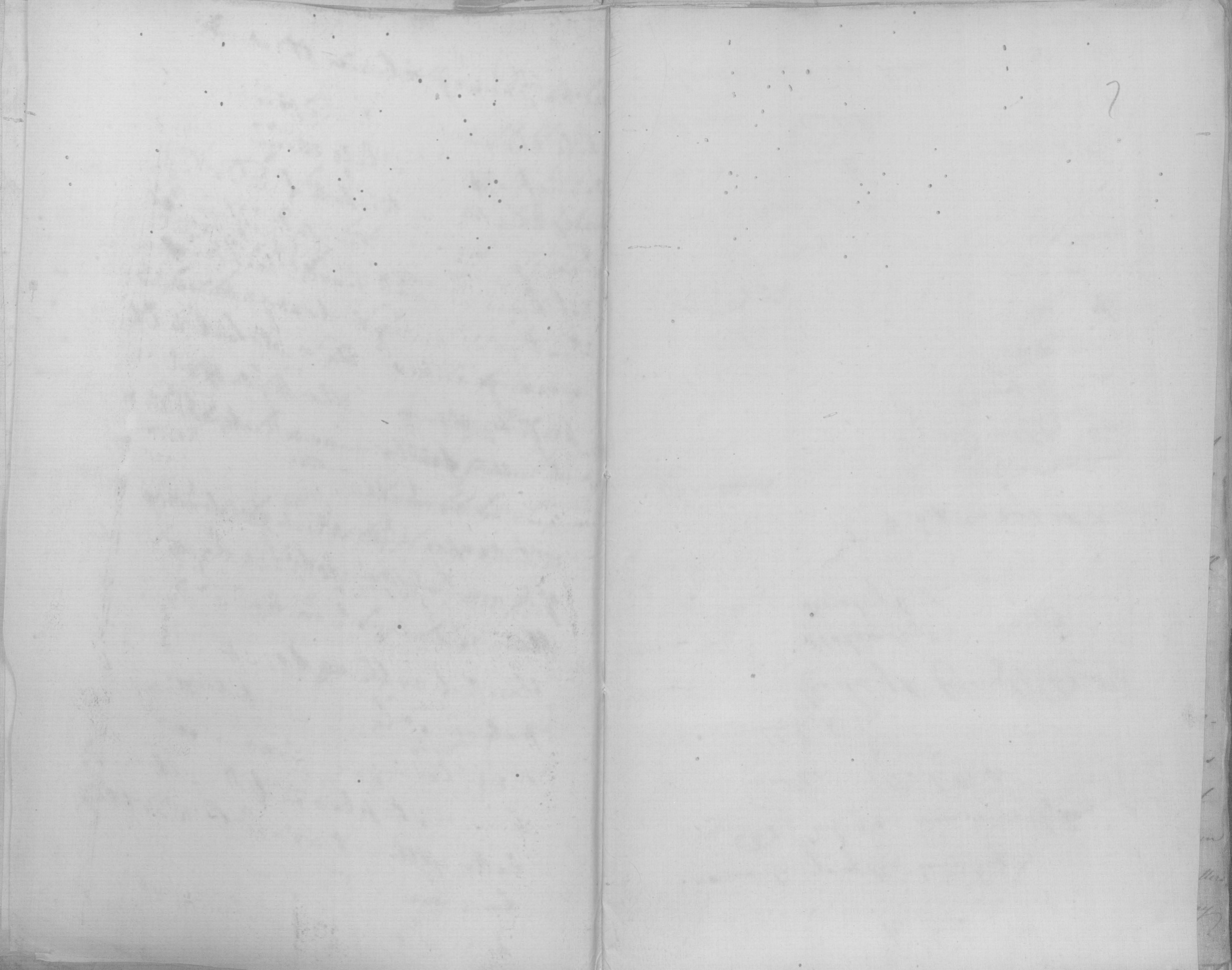
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Sub Collector's Office  
Camp Goodnowajiri  
31<sup>st</sup> October 1876.

From

L. J. McCarthy Esq.  
Ag. Sub Collector of Chingleput.

To  
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Do at Akkamasuram

Do at Kandivakam

Surappur Tank

Kondappa Naiker Tank at Daniel



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Serukavipatham  
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Paruthikulam  
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I have the honor to be  
Sir  
Your most obedt servt.  
[Sigs] S. D. McCarthy  
Sd. Sub. Collector.

(True copy)

M. S. S.  
Collector.



Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 9th November 1876, No. 288.

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Collector of the Ponghput District

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As Secretary to the Board of Revenue

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Due a letter from  
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proposed though I doubt whether  
the sum asked for will be suf-  
ficient. I visited all the locality  
recently, at the close of which  
have been the South west Monsoon  
the ryots were complaining bitterly  
of the failure of their dry crops  
and water was scarce for man and  
cattle. A heavy shower or two,  
however, while I was there, put  
a little water into the pools, and  
encouraged the ryots to plough, and  
I was in hopes that if the North  
East Monsoon set in early, the crisis  
might be tideed over; but total  
failure of rain has ensued instead.  
I have been expecting this report  
from the Subcollector who had been  
requested to watch the locality  
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narrowly, but I made no special  
reference to him since, and he  
has arrived at his conclusion  
that the time has come for starting  
relief works, quite apart from minor  
I observe further that the Sub Collector  
apprehends the necessity for relief  
in the Madirantam and  
Chengalput Taluqs also and promises  
details and definite proposals  
hereafter

9. As regards supervision, the  
Board will observe from the map  
herewith forwarded, that the roads  
all lie so as to be convenient of  
access from the Northern Trunk Road.  
I hope to be able to visit them all,  
about once a week; while as regards  
Trivellore and the western part of  
Coimbatore. I have exceptional  
advantages as regards transit by  
road



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and McCarthy are approved; but  
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the orders conveyed in G. O. No. 929  
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Details of the appropriation of the  
grants of Rs. 5000 five thousand  
each for the taluks of Sujimuram  
and Chingliput should be reported.  
If Mr Barlow anticipates necessity  
for further relief works in the Southern  
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with. These are very important  
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Revenue Settlement for the  
organization of village relief  
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to the collector. The arrangements  
proposed for the supervision of the  
works proposed for execution at  
once have the Board's approval.

Yours faithfully  
H. H. Holt

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Acting Secretary

To  
The Secretary to Government  
Revenue Department

W. H. Holt

Ch. H. Holt



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