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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th February 1876.*

Read the following paper :—

No. 121. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th February 1876, No. 361.

Read the following letter from J. H. GARSTIN Esq., Collector of South Arcot, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cuddalore, 24th January 1876, No. 29 :—

I HAVE the honor to forward for the Board's perusal Mr. Gibson's report of the 20th instant, No. 27,* and its enclosures, a report* from Mr. Dique, the Tahsildar of Tindivanam, and an abstract of a report from the Merkanam Deputy Tahsildar.*

* Requested to be returned.

2. Mr. Gibson recommends the remission of 50 per cent. of the punjah demand in 102 villages inspected by Mr. Dique, because the crops generally will not yield more than $\frac{1}{4}$ th of the average. I cannot support this recommendation. It would create an embarrassing precedent.

3. As to punjah remissions, I have told him he may act as liberally as the remission rules allow, but that I cannot give him any greater latitude.

4. I beg to recommend that he be allowed an extra clerk on 30 Rupees a month till the settlement is over. His office has always been reported to be short-handed, and he will have plenty to do in settling Tindivanam and Villaparam this year.

5. The Board will observe that Mr. Dique says there is some distress and thinks that some relief is called for. Mr. Gibson does not agree with him. I think it is too early yet to say that relief works are required. I agree with Mr. Gibson on this point. The Merkanam Deputy Tahsildar's report is a very gloomy one, but I await Mr. Gibson's promised report, after visiting the division, before making any recommendations regarding it.

6. As to cultivating tank beds, I see no objection to the plan as an exceptional measure, and have given the permission asked for.

7. I also forward the Deputy Collector's report of the 18th instant, No. 40.†
† To be returned. He is unable yet to pronounce an opinion on punjah shavi, and says he cannot do so till after the end of this month. I am inclined to think that the date fixed by the Board for submitting recommendations for punjah remissions is somewhat too early an one, so far as this district is concerned.

Enclosure No. 1.—Head Assistant Collector's Report.

Enclosure No. 2.—Report from Tahsildar of Tindivanam.

Enclosure No. 3.—Abstract of Report from Merkanam Tahsildar.

Enclosure No. 4.—Deputy Collector's Report.

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From the same Office, dated Porto Novo, 23rd January 1876, No. 41.

In continuation of my letter of the 21st instant, No. 38, I have the honor to state that I have received a detailed report from the Acting Head Assistant Collector, Vanni Branch Office, half-way between Vandivannam and Alkottam, in which he says that the village officers there estimate only 1lb of a good crop. The season has in fact, a very bad one, the rain having fallen only October, and only about two inches during November, and since then. As he will not be able to send in his official report before the 31st, he asks that it may be dispensed with, and details can follow.

2. The season no doubt promises to be a very bad one. The failure of water for drinking is already in many parts becoming the cause of great inconvenience, and the Local Fund Board of the Cuddalore Circle have no funds available for paying out an amount for the village water supply beyond what has been allotted in the current year's Budget. I should be glad if I might be authorized to draw against the Virudachellam Circle Local Fund balances to the amount of Rupees 10,000, if necessary for so doing should arise, and if funds to that extent are available. Out of an allotment for the current year in the Cuddalore Circle of 1,000 Rupees for improving water supply, village sites and drainage, about 5,000 is still unexpended, but will be placed at the disposal of divisional officers immediately. It would have been placed at their disposal before, but that owing to an adjustment in the current year of advances made last year, but unadjusted during its currency, the expenditure up to the end of December exceeded the total grant, and a fresh allotment in adjustment of the advances had to be made before the said balance could be set free for expenditure, and this having been done there are hardly any funds left in hand.

3. As to remissions, I consider that punjah remissions will be necessary pretty generally over the district, while as to punjah, so far as my information goes, such remissions will be required in about 200 villages of the Vandivannam Taluk, in thirteen villages in Cuddalore, and in thirty in Chidambaram. The Tahsildar of the last named taluk has reported to the Sub-Collector on the punjah, but I have not yet received the report. He tells me that he estimates the remissions at 4,000 Rupees. The loss he says is entire on the punjah lands, on which paddy is grown by means of the rain-fall only. I am doubtful, however, whether Manavari punjah lands classed as punjah are entitled to any remission.

4. As there is no time to wait for further reports from the other divisional officers, I make the following propositions with respect to punjah remissions in this district for this year. That such remissions may be given only where the proportion of the extent of punjah holdings in any village to the total punjah assessment on holdings in such village the same proportion that the area on which crops have failed bears to the total area of such holdings in the village. In calculating the area of crops which have failed, indigo and ground-nuts are not to be taken into consideration, but no remission to be given on account of these crops where they are so remunerative as good

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years, that if in one year out of five they give a good yield, the profit covers the loss from poor crops during the other four.

The letters above read contain the Collector's proposals for the grant of remissions in consequence of the adverse nature of the season in those portions of the districts affected by the drought. He considers that punjah remissions will be necessary pretty generally throughout the district, and has instructed the Head Assistant, in whose division principally relief appears at present to be required, to act as liberally as the remission rules allow. As regards punjah he proposes to limit the grant of remission to those tracts in which the crops have completely failed on at least one-third of the extent of the punjah holdings, the remission being fixed in the same proportion to the total punjah assessment of the village as the area affected bears to the total area of the punjah holdings. This proposal is approved, and the Board authorize the Collector to issue instructions accordingly. The Manavari punjah lands classed as punjah should be treated like the ordinary punjah lands, and remission granted when necessary on the same principle.

2. The Board approve the Collector's permission to cultivate tank beds as an exceptional measure.

3. The Board support the Collector's recommendation that an extra clerk on Rupees 30 a month be allotted to the Head Assistant until the settlement is over, and request the sanction of Government for his entertainment.

4. As regards the Collector's request to be allowed to draw against the Virudachellam Circle Local Fund balances to the extent of Rupees 10,000, in consequence of the paucity of funds to credit of the Cuddalore Circle, the Board observe that according to the Board's regular estimate for the current year, the transactions of the General Fund of the latter Circle are expected to result in a plus balance of Rupees 27,640, though in the President's regular estimate no surplus was anticipated. The actual balance cannot be ascertained until the close of the current year, but in the mean time the Board request the sanction of Government to the proposed transfer, if necessary, subject to adjustment after the close of the year, or by a special grant from Provincial Funds.

5. Mr. Carsten should submit a rough scheme of relief works, showing how he proposes to expend the money and in what localities, special attention being paid to the construction and repair of walls, as directed by Government in the case of North Arcot.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON
Acting Secretary.

No. 122.

ORDER THEREON, 11th February 1876, No. 193.

Miscellaneous.

The remissions allowed appear
entirely.

2. The Governor in Council sanctions the entertainment of the extra Clerk (paragraph 3).

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3. The proposal in paragraph 4 will be disposed of in the Financial Department. A full report of proposed works, &c., should be immediately made (paragraph 5).

(True Extract.)

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

*Approved of Revenue
by the Assistant-Secretary
of the Revenue Department.*

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H. E. Harker requires
By Secretary to the Board of
Roads, Indiana

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to the Board & persons to be selected

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J. B. Garton
Collector

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Collector's office
Pungah Poro
28th January 1876

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J. B. Garton Esquire
Collector of South street
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Secretary to the Board of
Pungah Poro

Sir

In continuation of my letter
of the 24th instant at 29. I have the
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Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 5th February 1876 No 54

Read letter from the Collector
of the District dated 24th January 1876
written with remarks reports from
the District Officers and General Charge
Deputy Collector on the state of the season
and as to the existing necessity for
granting punga remission in their re-
spective Divisions.

Read also letter from the same
Officer dated 24th January 1876 reporting on
the state of season in the North Kanara
Division of the Indian State and
proposing certain measures for granting
punga remission throughout the
District.

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to be allowed to draw again at the Viru
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of the poverty of funds to credit
of the fund alone credit, the Board ob-
serve that according to the Board's
Regular Estimate for the current year
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the latter credit are expected to result in a
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funds proposed for the purpose of
adjusting the balance after the close of the
year as they is a special grant from the
National Treasury.

Mr. Gantner should submit a
rough estimate of the funds showing how
proposed to expend the money and what
results of special attention being paid to
the construction and repair of works or
directed by government with a view of
improvement.

(R. C. Roberts)

W. C. Roberts

The Director of the government
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