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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th December 1876.*

No. 288. Read the following endorsement of the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, dated Simla, 8th November 1876, No. 410 (Agriculture and Horticulture—Famine):—
Read the following despatch from the Most Honorable the Secretary of State for India:—

Revenue,
No. 28.

INDIA OFFICE LONDON,
5th October 1876.

Mr Lord,—The despatch of your Excellency in Council, dated 31st July, No. 13 of 1876, forwarding copies of a correspondence with the Government of Madras on the subject of the agricultural prospects in the Bellary, Cuddapah, South Arcot, and North Arcot Districts consequent on the failure of rain in those divisions, has been considered by me in Council.

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3. The Government of Madras would appear to be regarding the condition of the districts with vigilant attention and to be prepared to establish relief works, should necessity arise, for the provision of labor for the poorer classes.

4. I desire that I may be kept carefully informed of the progress of events in these districts.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) SALISBURY.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable
The Governor General of India in Council.

Cert forwarded to the Government of Madras for information with reference to the correspondence ending with its letter, No. 900, dated the 4th July last.

(By Order.)

(Signed) C. J. LYALL,
Under Secy. to Govt. of India.

No. 289. Order in Council, 13th December 1876, No. 2918.

Miscellaneous.

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(True Extract)

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

Ed. J. W. Fischer

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Under Secretary to the Govt of India

