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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd March 1877.*

Read the following telegrams:—

No. 847. From Collector of Gajjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Prices stationary. Rice 15 seers, raggi 24, cumboo 26, cholam 22. Imports—Chilka and land rice 432 tons. No rain. Cholera 211 deaths reported. Cattle disease general.

No. 848. From Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Average quantity of seer of 80 tolas per rupee current and previous week respectively, rice, second sort, 12-12, cholam 19-19, cumboo 21-22 raggi 21-20. Imports by sea rice none, 61; by land rice 23, tons 90. Rain one inch in Komput and Golcondah Taluqs. Cholera in ten, small-pox three taluqs. Pasture decreasing. Other particulars required blank.

No. 849. From Collector of Godavery, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th March 1877.

No rain. Fever, small-pox, and measles slight. Cholera in Tuni and Pittapur. Cattle disease continues. Pasture scanty. Want of water felt in some places of upland taluqs; much in Ellore. Average prices per rupee for seers of 80 tolas rice 9½, raggi 16½, cholam 16½, cumboo 15. No relief-works.

No. 850. From Collector of Godavery, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Average prices per rupee for seer of 80 tolas rice 9½, raggi 16½, cholam 16½, cumboo 15. No rain. Cholera in Tuni and Pittapur. Fever, small-pox, and measles slight. Cattle disease continues. Pasture scanty. Want of water felt in upland taluqs. Columns 5 to 8 blank. Medical staff same as last week. No imports.

No. 851. From Collector of Godavery, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Report just received—164 tons rice, valued Rs. 14,750, imported at Cocanada from Balasore.

From Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th March 1877.

50 cents in Sattenapalli; none elsewhere. Dry crops under wells good. Prices seven taluqs. Cholera seizures 422, deaths 200. Fever abating. Small-pox and continue. Markets fairly supplied. 2,330 on relief-works. 1,219 fed gratuitously.

From Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 28th March 1877.

Received. Seers of 80 Rs. weight rice 8-68, cholam 11-40, raggi 13-08, by sea rice 2-23 tons; by land rice 58-47 tons, cholam 39-06, raggi 13-08. Number on relief-works 3,299; number fed gratuitously by Government 380. Expenditure sanctioned up to date 85,000 Rs. Rainfall 1-92 inches. Cholera Fever and cattle disease in some taluqs.

No. 854. From Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Average prices in this week second-sort rice 7.82 seers per rupee against 7.80 last week, cholam 10.3 as in last week, raggi 11.94 against 11.06 last week, cumboo 9.80 against 9.52 last week. Imports on behalf of Government rice 2½ tons; on behalf of merchants 170 tons; raggi 1 cwt. Number on relief-works, including opal coolies, 37,045 against 70,580 last week. The decrease is the result of reduced wages, task-work, and non-employment of able-bodied people who are on their way to the canal or who refuse to go there. Number fed gratuitously 6,939 against 5,935 last week. Expenditure sanctioned Rs. 9,53,000. Civil officers 7, Medical 25, D.P.W. 39, Survey 45, Settlement 6, 1 additional Deputy Tahsildar for Rapur, appointed. Health of man—141 deaths from cholera against 230 last week. Several deaths from other diseases. Cholera, small-pox, dysentery, and fever prevail throughout the district. Small-pox very prevalent in Nellore, Gudur, and Udayagiri Taluqs. Mos wells dried up. Slight earthquake at Adimurtipuram in Kavali Taluq at 9 on the 23rd morning, lasting for a few seconds and passing from west to east. No rain during the week. Prospects of cattle bad. Large numbers have perished for want of fodder.

No. 855. From Collector of Cuddalore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Average prices seers per rupee in previous week, in present week, second-sort rice 7.45—7.87; cholam 9.86—9.93; raggi 10.75—74,824. Gratuitously fed 3,088, 3,2 Additional officers—Europeans, Native Medical 0—15. Cholera 625—657 respectively. No rain reported.

No. 856. From Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Average price second-sort rice 7.38, last week 7.2. Cholam or great millet 9.06, last week 8.98. Jubbulpore cholam at Bellary 11.23, last week 10.82. Raggi or lesser millet 9.26, last week 8.97. Cumboo 8.62, last week 8.43 seers of 80 tolas. Import—tons 3,957. Accounts from two Railway stations only. 299,349 persons on relief-works. Decrease as compared with revised return for previous week 20,807; this is owing to the prevalence of cholera and to some coolies having gone to their villages on account of the new year's festival, and some roads having been stopped in Alur Taluq. 33,472 gratuitously fed. Increase as compared with revised return for previous week 7,774; this is chiefly owing to the payment of wages at three pies to the children of coolies on relief-works. 3,549 gratuitously fed by private aided by Government grant. Sanctioned expenditure Rs. 43,16,000. Additional Revenue and Magisterial 4, Police none, Relief 17, Medical officer 1, and Subor Rainfall none. Cholera in all 15 taluqs. Small-pox and fever also prevalent, perishing from want of fodder. Supply of drinking water diminishing, but not

No. 857. From Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 28th March 1877.

TADPATRI imports omitted 363 tons.

No. 858. From Special Deputy Collector in charge, Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

No rain. White cholam and paddy under irrigation canal in fair condition. Taluq. The limited extent of crops under wells in other taluqs in pretty fair state. small-pox, and fever prevalent. Cattle reported to be dying for want of fodder. Cholera seizures

103, deaths 87. Second-sort rice per rupee in Imperial seers 7.09, cholam 8.74, cumboo 9.33, raggi 9.08. Grants sanctioned to date Rs. 39,21,000. Number on relief-works 87,383. Gratuitously relieved 25,572, including children under seven years of age. Additional civil officers, including Survey and Settlement men, 211. Medical officers same as previous week. Import—Government grain 155 tons in the district. Private import 187 tons. The rise in the prices of rice and cholam was chiefly in Markapur and Ramaleotta Taluqs respectively, and is due to decrease in import. The falling in numbers is chiefly in Cumbum Division, and is attributed to concentration of labor, enforcement of task-work, and hot weather. Cooly emigration to East Coast Canal is progressing.

No. 859. From Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

From week ending 23rd March average prices Government seers second-sort rice per rupee 8.4, cholam 10.1, raggi 10.1, cumboo 8.7. Relief-works coolies 23,215. Persons gratuitously fed 2,089. Sanctioned expenditure up to date Rupees 4,56,301. Additional officers employed in higher branches 9. Rainfall average of two stations 0.53. Health of man—cholera still prevalent; fever and small-pox in some parts. Health of cattle—pasture scarce. Cattle dying of starvation in some parts.

No. 860. From Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Rice second sort 9½ seers, cumboo 11½, raggi 12, 15,000 sanctioned for relief-works. Number reported not received from Deputy Collector. Tal Cholera deaths reported 204 out of 273 seizures. C water deficient.

No. 861. From Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Prices seers rice 9½, raggi 11½, cumboo 10½, cholam 11. Imports—rice tons 528, grains 80. Relief-works none. No rain. Deaths from cholera 211. Cattle healthy and fodder available.

No. 862. From Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 28th March 1877.

Second-sort rice 8 seers, cholam 10½, raggi 10, cumboo 10½. Import of grain for week ending Saturday 100 tons. No relief-work. Gratuitously fed on 24th instant by public subscription 1,337. Rupees 5,000 sanctioned. Medical staff unchanged. No rain. Cholera 263 attacks, 130 deaths. Small-pox 399 seizures, 40 deaths. Pasture scanty. Vakkai slight in Udayarpoliem Taluq and Tarayur Division. Cattle elsewhere healthy.

No. 863. From Collector of Madura, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 28th March 1877.

Rice 2½ seers per rupee, cholam 10, raggi 10½, cumboo 11½. Import—rice tons 1,102, other grains 76. Rainfall only at Periakolam 3 inches. Number on relief-works 9,590. Charitable relief 1,263. Additional hands, higher grade, 4 Europeans and Eurasians and 2 Natives. Sanctioned expenditure up to date Rs. 93,748. Public health generally good, but cholera and small-pox prevailing still. Total deaths 447. Some wandering country-people emigrate to other places. Cattle doing poorly. Pasture and water scarce. Cattle disease in Madura and Tirunangal Taluqs.

No. 864. From Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

Slight rain in four taluqs. Improvement in pasture and supply of drinking water; rest much the same as last week.

No. 865. From Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 28th March 1877.

IMPORT of grain rice 1,185, cholam 4 and cumboo 209 tons. Number on relief-works 2,441; number gratuitously fed 417. Slight rain in four taluqs, rest same as last week. Increase in number on relief-works owing to return of emigrants.

No. 866. From Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

PRICES nearly stationary. Rice second sort 7-87, cholam 9-29, raggi 9-88, cumboo 10-12. Imports estimated rice 663 tons, other grains 201. Estimated expenditure Rs. 4,96,713, actual Rs. 1,89,490. Cholera prevalent in all taluqs: attacks 714, deaths 503. Rain at Collegal 20, in Sattayamungalam 9 villages 1 inch; Anavallay and adjacent villages of Pollachy a good fall. Cattle poor; fodder and water scarce. No cultivation except to a small extent in Pulladam Taluk and under wells. Additional officer one. On relief-works 24,480; gratuitously fed 2,291. No apparent change in the appearance of coolies.

No. 867. From Acting Commissioner of Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

AVERAGE prices, three stations Nilgiris, rice seven and three-quarter seers, cholam eight and seven-tenths, raggi ten and quarter, cumboo nine and four-fifths. Import—tonnage week ending 26th March, three stations, rice eight and three-fifths, cholam one and nine-tenths, raggi seven and one-fifth, cumboo two-fifths. Slight rain at Coonoor. Cholera and small-pox still prevalent. Pasture deficient. Thirty-one under gratuitous relief daily.

No. 868. From Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

PRICES of grains seers of 80 tolas rice, 7½, raggi 9½, cumboo 8½, cholam 9½. Import of all grains 1,550. Number on relief-works 50,280. Number gratuitously fed 3,440. Ditto private 380. Expenditure sanctioned Rs. 3,61,000. Additional hands, higher grade, Europeans 8, natives 13. Number of Medical Officers and Subordinates additional 4; three on relief. Rainfall seven-sixteenth inch. Health—cholera in all taluqs.

No. 869. From Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

PRICES of second-sort rice seers eleven decimal twelve per rupee, raggi seers twelve decimal forty-four; cumboo and cholam not consumed in this district. Imports—rice tons twenty-two and a-half, raggi tons four and three-quarters, cholam tons three and three-quarters. No small-pox continues; also some cases of sporadic cholera in Upperangady, Mangalore, and Kande-pur Taluqs. Cattle disease exists in a few places. Pasture very scanty; no distress.

No. 870. From Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 27th March 1877.

RAINFALL nil. Markets well supplied. Imports by sea and land rice 5,465, raggi 277, cholam 706 tons. Exports rice 1,946, raggi 392 tons. Prices of rice slightly fallen in Ponnani and Kottayam. Slight rise Kurumbrana; elsewhere stationary. Highest seven seven-eighths Indian seers, Wynaad; lowest ten three-fifths, Calicut. Average nine one-half, Indian seers per rupee; raggi eleven one-fourth Indian seers per rupee, Wynaad. Average elsewhere thirteen five-eighths Indian seers. Small-pox in eight taluqs; cholera in five; deaths from latter 102. Cattle healthy. Pasture failing, except Cochin. 1,196 coolies on Kolathur roads.

STATEMENT showing the Average Prices of Second-sort Rice and Chief Dry Grain, and Imports of Grain in the Chingleput District for the Week ending Saturday, the 24th March 1877.

1	2	3	4	Rainsfall in the Week.			
				Inch.	Oz.		
Names of the Taluq.							
Rice, and Sort.		Raggy.		Cumbou.		Cholum.	
Average price per Batta.	Import from pre-ceeding Week.	Average price per Batta.	Import from pre-ceeding Week.	Average price per Batta.	Import from pre-ceeding Week.	Average price per Batta.	Import from pre-ceeding Week.
SEERS.	TONS.	SEERS.	TONS.	SEERS.	TONS.	SEERS.	TONS.
Maduratahna	1050	4	1193	2	1020	1020	1020
Conjoternin	846	1	1026	1	1026	1026	1026
Chingopet	918	258	1113	12	1073	1073	1073
Sydepet	981	57	1036	1036	1036	1036	1036
Murehore	981	15	1056	1056	1056	1056	1056
Pornery	981	3266	1036	135	1036	1036	1036
Total	5757	16403	6619	3335	1073	1073	1073
Average	950	3281	1103	665	1079	1079	1079

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Cholera, fever, and small-pox prevalent more or less throughout the district.

Postage all; for very scarce.

STATEMENT showing the Average Prices of Second-sort Rice and Chief Dry Grain, and Imports of Grain in the Clingieput District, &c.—(Continued).

Name of the Taluk.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Health.	Average number of persons employed on Relief Works during the week.	Average number of persons employed on Relief Works during the week.	Expenditure sanctioned to date.	Number of additional officers employed in higher branches.	Number of Medical Officers and Subordinates serving in the district.	Remarks.
Maduranakani	A	1,840	246	11,025	.....	1	
Chingieput	B	1,680	1,513	22,570	.....	2	
Sydeput	C	617	1,107	10,970	.....	4	
Trivellore	D	2,411	2,905	63,903	.....	6	
.....	E	1,631	34	54,105	.....	.....	
.....	F	2,331	176	20,127	.....	.....	
Total		10,559	6,011	1,83,812	.....	.....	
Average		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

* There has been an increase in the number employed on Relief Works in Maduranakani and Peavery, entirely in the Public Works Department; but a decrease in all the other talucs owing, it is reported, to a reduction in the rate of wages, in consequence of which it is added even persons who accept employment work unwillingly. On the whole, however, there has been a not decrease of 7.7 per cent.

(Signed) ALEX. SMITH,
Deputy Collector.

(Signed) R. W. DARLOW,
Collector.

23th March 1877.

STATEMENT showing the prices of Grain on Tuesday, the 27th March 1877, at Madras, as compared with that of Tuesday, the 20th March 1877.

Articles.	Number of Seers of 80 Tolas per Rupee - Tuesday, the 27th March 1877.	Number of Seers of 80 Tolas per Rupee on Tuesday, the 20th March 1877.	Remarks.
Rice, 1st sort	6.88	6.52	
Do. 2nd sort	10.22	9.12	
Raggi or Natcheny	1.97	11.63	
Cholum or Jonnalu	1.90	11.90	
Cumboo	1.52	11.52	

STATEMENT showing the quantities of Grain imported into Madras during the Week ending Monday, the 26th March 1877, compared with the Imports of the last Week.

	During current Week.		During past Week.		Remarks.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	
Rice	TONS. CWT. 10,428 4	RS. 11,04,259	TONS. CWT. 8,14 14	RS. 9,02,138	
Paddy	628 18	45,501	1226 17	97,493	
Raggi or Natcheny	815 3	72,456	83 14	41,873	
Cholum or Jonnalu	71 10	6,539	26 7	2,241	
Wheat	51 6	5,045	29 8	3,131	
Gram (including horsegram and Bengalgram)	958 11	85,646	78 7	23,707	
Other sorts (including such as green, black and red gram, &c.)	253 6	21,260	122 7	11,083	
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Total	13,206 18	13,40,706	10,381 14	10,84,666	

	During current Week.	During past Week.
1. Number on relief-works	Revenue Dept., None.	Revenue Dept., None.
2. Number gratuitously fed	Rs. 1,01,632.	Rs. 1,01,632.
3. Expenditure sanctioned up to date	Revenue Dept., None.	Revenue Dept., None.
4. Number of additional officers employed in the higher branches—Revenue, Magisterial, Police, and Relief	Nil.	Nil.
5. Number of Medical Officers and Subordinates serving in the district	Cholera, fever, dysentery, and small-pox prevalent.	Cholera, fever, dysentery, and small-pox prevalent.
6. Rainfall in inches during the week ending.		
7. Health (man and cattle)		

MADRAS,
23th March 1877.

(Signed) J. HUNTER-BLAIR,
Collector of Madras.

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ORDER THEREON, 24th March 1877, No. 1,252.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Additional Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

- „ the Sanitary Commissioner.
- „ the Financial Department.
- „ the Public Works Department.
- „ the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
- „ the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.

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Bellary, Kurnool, R. Anst.
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opoly, Madras, Tinnevely,
Coimbatore, Salem, S. Cana
Malabar. Comps. of Regt.
and statements from
the Colrs of Chingleput
and Madras dated 26,
27 and 28th inst.

7. 20. *James Buchanan* 8/3 April/77
 5 *Laurens Compas*
 5 *James Buchanan*
 21 *P. W. M. DePaul*
 5 *Chief Engineer for Irrigation*
 5 *James Buchanan & Co. Eng.*

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Factor in certain Deaths.—Correspondence with the Board of Health indicates from Philadelphia that the Board is inclined to believe that the presence of the disease in the city is due to the presence of the disease in the city.

Our beloved Hermann