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Memo

Three copies of the Board's Relief Report of the Kumool District for the week ending 10th March 877 are herewith circulated for the use of the Members of Government.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,

dated 27th March, 1877, 1374.

Read letter from the Collector of Kurnool, dated 21st March, 1877, No. 268.

The Kurnool relief reports for the week ending 10th March, which are analyzed in the above letter, were forwarded to Government with Board's Proceedings dated 24th March, 1877, No. . This letter will now be submitted to Government with the following remarks:—

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3. Para. 9.—The wages on the higher scale, paid by Mr. Farmer in Cumbum, had already attracted the Board's notice, as also the irregular scale of payments in grain.

4. Para. 12.—Mr. Clogstoun is of opinion that the new scale of wages has not affected the physique of the coolies, and justly remarks that the 3 pie allowance to children of those on the works removes much of the danger from the reduction. The wages also are computed on the price of rice, not ragi or cholum.

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6. Para. 16.—During the week 2,840, and up to the end of the week 5,679 persons were

drafted to the East Coast Canal. The emigration thus received a satisfactory stimulus during the week under review. The prickly-pear experiment has been carried on upon a very trifling scale.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. B. STOKES,

Secretary.

To

The Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with a map and statement to be returned, and a copy of Collector's letter.

No. 268.

KURNOOL, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

21st March, 1877.

From

THE ACTING COLLECTOR,

Kurnool.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE

Board of Revenue, Madras.

SIR,

Having already forwarded the relief reports and the return of prices and rainfall for the week ending the 10th March, 1877, I have now the honor to make the following few remarks in connection with them :—

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3. The rainfall during the week was ·70 inch at Kurnool.

4. The number of works sanctioned for execution those in progress and completed are shown in the marginal table. There were no new works sanctioned, nor completed during the week. Every effort is being made to take up as many irrigation works and road repairs as possible in the place of the new roads which are in progress. All uncommenced new roads will be abandoned as a rule, and those in hand will be completed with all possible speed. The necessity for concentrating all available labour and supervision on improving the main lines of communication in the district, and on important irrigation works, has already attracted the attention of the Acting Collector, vide his report to the Board, dated 7th March, 1877, No. 221. The explanation called for in para. 5 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 19th February, 1877, No. 700, with regard to the Owk tank being given out on contract will be furnished in a separate communication. Indeed I am not aware under what circumstances the work was let out on contract, and the Sectional officer has been requested to afford the necessary explanation.

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Total	197,270	191,546	— 5,724

9. *Wages.*—The new scale of wages was introduced in Ramulkota, Pattikonda Koilkuntla and Cumbum, and as I expect been introduced in other taluqs also by this time. The lower scale of wages was adopted in Mr. Clogstoun's section*, while the higher scale was adopted in Cumbum taluq by Mr. Farmer, under an erroneous assumption that all works in his section are under the Department Public Works. I have set Mr. Farmer right, informing him that the higher scale is payable only when the works are under the direct supervision of the Public Works Department, or where task-work, not less than 25 per cent. below ordinary task, is enforced.

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10. The following money or grain wages were in force during the week under report.

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Koilkuntla	1 7	1 4	0 9	...	...	...
Nandikotkur	2 0	1 4	0 10	...	...	...
Nandial	2 0	1 4	0 10	...	...	...
Sirwell	2 0	1 4	0 10	...	...	...
Cumbum	2 1	1 7	1 0	40 Tolas plus 1 A. 60 Tolas.	40 Tolas plus ½ A. 40 Tolas.	20 Tolas plus ½ A. 30 Tolas.
	2 0	1 6	1 0			
Markapur	2 0	1 4	0 10	60 Tolas.	40 Tolas.	30 Tolas.

11. The foregoing table shows that four different rates were in force in Cumbum taluq and two in Markapur. I have directed Mr. Farmer's attention to this, and have impressed upon him the necessity there is for maintaining a uniform rate of wages over a large tract of country to prevent people flocking to certain roads in preference to others. Mr. Farmer has lately reported that he has substituted money for grain wages throughout his division except at Chintalapalli and Krishnamsettlipally, where also he is endeavouring to extend money wages according to the new scale sanctioned in G. O., dated 31st January, 1877, No. 329 F. D. I have again instructed Mr. Gibson to introduce the new scale of wages without further loss of time, if he has not already done so.

12. *Physique of the coolies.*—The new rates have now been in force in Mr. Clogstoun's section for over a month, and, writing on the 13th instant, Mr. Clogstoun observes as follows:—

"I have no reason as yet to suppose that they have in any way prejudicially affected the health of the actual workers on the roads. The fear

that a diminution in the wages of their parents would materially affect the health of the younger members of the families, too young to work, has been removed by the liberal concession by Government of a wage of 3 pies per day to each of these young children."

13. *Gratuitous relief.* The number of persons in receipt of this form of relief in each taluq is compared in the margin with that for the previous week. The enormous increase against Ramalkota and Koilkuntla is because children under 7 years of age who were paid 3 pies each daily with reference to para. 3 of G. O. dated 5th February, 1877, No. 520 A, an included under the head "gratuitously relieved." It is not clear from the returns, whether similar payments is made in other taluqs, and I have written to the Sectional officers concerned, so that this important direction of Government may be most carefully and promptly attended to throughout their sections. The other figures in the above table call for no special remark.

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Sirwell.....	313	144	— 169
Cumbum....	998	870	— 128
Markapur ..	541	500	— 41
	3,651	11,233	+7,582

*Ramalkota includes 5,365 and Koilkuntla about 2,000 children under 7 years of age who were paid 3 pies each.

14. The cost of gratuitous relief during the week was Rs. 1,762, and the entire cost since the commencement of distress is Rs. 17,939. As to the number and allocation of the existing relief houses, vide the Acting Collector's letter, dated 9th instant, No. 234. Since writing the above letter, the following information has been received from Mr. Farmer. "Relief houses have been established in this division at the head quarters of the 11 Relief Ranges which are:—

Cumbum Taluq
1. Kristamsetlypalli.
2. Chintallapalli and Barlakunta.
3. Cumbum.
4. Rasendla and Tudimilla.
5. Donakonda.

Markapur Taluq
6. Gannapally.
7. Markapur.
8. Dornal.
9. Dupad.
10. Chapalamaduga.
11. Iskatriparavaram.

I have ordered the establishment of these houses after satisfying myself that private charity will not avail for supporting those who are unable to work. The number whom it will be necessary to feed at present, will, judging from past returns, be about 13,000 a week; and we may fairly expect it to rise as the season advances and people get weaker. I am of opinion that this gratuitous relief must be continued till the cholum crop is cut in September next.

Gratuitous relief is administered in this section in the shape of cooked food, and the rations are ¼ of a Cumbum measure, or 30 tolas weight of grain per head, including young and old.

Heretofore the road Superintendents used to have daily nominal rolls of the persons fed, and now that printed tickets have been received from your office, the system laid down in the printed rules will be introduced as regards their issue and presentation. Gratuitous relief is also administered at Barlagunta and Tudemilla, where Captain Biscoe and myself consider it necessary to have relief houses. A subordinate in Government employ, generally a Revenue Settlement or Survey man, is in each range put in charge of gratuitous relief. He submits his account to the Road Superintendent, under whose orders he is placed. The Road Superintendents, my assistants and myself personally supervise gratuitous relief operations. I presume that it is not intended by the Board that the information now submitted should be repeated with each subsequent weekly report. For further particulars, vide para. 14 of the last week's report.

15. As regards the measures adopted for the administration of village relief, a separate report will be submitted shortly.

16. *Emigration.* The following table shows the number of persons who emigrated to the East Coast Canal during the week under report,

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and up to the end of the week, so far as information is at present available.

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During the week ending 10th March 1877.	1,038	864	541	397	2,840
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17. The experiment of feeding cattle with leaves of the prickly-pear is being carried on in Kurnool town, and the marginal table shows the number of cattle being relieved, and the expenditure incurred on their account. The cattle are now eating the leaves more eagerly than in the beginning. It is a matter for regret that prickly-pear is not abundantly available either in Kurnool town or in its vicinity. People seeing the utility of the prickly-pear as fodder for cattle, are now offering to give their cattle for feeding. Every effort is being made to procure enough prickly-pear and relieve more cattle.

Number of cattle relieved.	Expenditure.	
	In the week.	Up to the end of the week.
15	Rs. 13 As. 7 P. 3	Rs. 20 As. 12 P. 11

I have not heard as yet the result of the experiments which are being made at Nandial and Cumbum. I have called on the Divisional officers to report on the subject.

18. A statement,* showing the particulars of the extra establishments entertained, and map of the district showing the different works in progress, are herewith submitted.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. A. BIRD,
Additional Sub-Collector, in charge.

(True Copy).

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

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F. No. 1,961.

Revenue {1877} Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 27th
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Recd. 28th

Enclosures 3.

Submitting to Government letter from the Collector of Kurnool regarding relief report for the week ending 10th March, 1877.

Lawrence Asylum Press—1877.

Famine Relief.

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No. 115. ORDER THER April 1877, No. 1,332.

Miscellaneous.

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Public Works Department.
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Exd. A. Raitt.

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dated 27th March, 1877.

Read letter from the Collector of Kurnool, dated 21st March, 1877, No. 268.

The Kurnool relief reports for the week ending 10th March, which are analyzed in the above letter, were forwarded to Government with Board's Proceedings dated 24th March, 1877, No. . This letter will now be submitted to Government with the following remarks:—

2. Para. 4.—The Board are glad to learn that repairs of roads and irrigation works are to receive attention.

3. Para. 9.—The wages on the higher scale, paid by Mr. Farmer in Cumbum, had already attracted the Board's notice, as also the irregular scale of payments in grain.

4. Para. 12.—Mr. Clogstoun is of opinion that the new scale of wages has not affected the physique of the coolies, and justly remarks that the 3 pie allowance to children of those on the works removes much of the danger from the reduction. The wages also are computed on the price of rice, not ragi or cholum.

5. Para. 13.—The increase in gratuitous relief occurs in the Ramalkota and Koilkuntla taluks, and almost the whole is accounted for by the inclusion of children under 7 years of age. Eleven relief houses, which are to feed 13,000 people, have apparently newly been opened in the Cumbum division. A ticket system is in force, and cooked food is distributed. A report on village relief in the district is promised.

6. Para. 16.—During the week 2,840, and up to the end of the week 5,679 persons were

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drafted to the East Coast Canal. The emigration thus received a satisfactory stimulus during the week under review. The prickly-pear experiment has been carried on upon a very trifling scale.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,

Secretary.

To

The Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with a map and statement to be returned, and a copy of Collector's letter.

No. 268.

KURNOOL, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
21st March, 1877.

From

THE ACTING COLLECTOR,
Kurnool.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE
Board of Revenue, Madras.

SIR,

Having already forwarded the relief reports and the return of prices and rainfall for the week ending the 10th March, 1877, I have now the honor to make the following few remarks in connection with them:—

2. On the whole, there was a fractional fall in the prices of all grains except cumboo, as noted in the margin. There was a considerable fall in the price of rice in Ramalkota, and it was probably owing to sharp importation by private traders,

Average for District.

	3rd Mar.	10th Mar.
Rice	7·10	7·35
Cholum	8·63	9·17
Ragi	9·65	9·21
Cumbu	9·31	9·29
Wheat	7·07	7·32
Horse Gram	8·26	8·59

and to harvest under Canal. The slight fall in the prices of all grains in Pattikonda might be owing to extraneous temporary causes, while that in Sirwell was owing to harvest under the Canal. It is curious that in Nandikotkur cholum fell considerably (9·26 from 8·19) while other grains were stationary. The Tahsildar attributes this to a large importation of this grain into the taluq by private merchants. The other entries in the price return call for no special remark.

3. The rainfall during the week was ·70 inch at Kurnool.

4. The number of works sanctioned for execution those in progress and completed are shown in the marginal table. There were no new works sanctioned, nor completed during the week. Every effort is being made to take up as many irrigation works and road repairs as possible in the place of the new roads which are in progress. All uncommenced new roads will be abandoned as a rule, and those in hand will be completed with all possible speed. The necessity for concentrating all available labour and supervision on improving the main lines of communication in the district, and on important irrigation works, has already attracted the attention of the Acting Collector, vide his report to the Board, dated 7th March, 1877, No. 221. The explanation called for in para. 5 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 19th February, 1877, No. 700, with regard to the Owk tank being given out on contract will be furnished in a separate communication. Indeed I am not aware under what circumstances the work was let out on contract, and the Sectional officer has been requested to afford the necessary explanation.

Taluqs.	No. of works sanctioned.	No. of works in progress.	No. of works completed in the week.
Ramalkota	33	13	...
Pottikonda	17	5	...
Koilkuntla	18	9	...
Nandikotkur	40	11	...
Nandial	55	24	...
Sirwell	41	13	...
Cumbum	24	14	...
Markapur	16	7	...
	242	95	...

5. A Taluqwar abstract* is enclosed to show the outlay on works in the week and up to the end of the week, as also the number of persons employed on works and those gratuitously relieved.

* Will follow.

6. The grants made up to 10th March, 1877 amounted to Rupees. 30,21,000.

7. The outlay during the week under report amounted to Rupees 1,23,586 against Rupees 1,00,110 in the previous week. The total outlay on works since the commencement of distress was Rupees 27,07,253. The increased outlay during the week, as compared with the previous week, was chiefly in Cumbum taluq, and is due to adjustment of accounts in the previous week.

8. *Numbers on relief works.*—The numbers employed in each taluq as contrasted with those reported for the previous week are given in the margin. The decrease in the number of coolies is partly due to the improved supervision and partly to concentration of labourers on main roads in the Markapur taluq. The increase in Nundial is probably owing to the return to the relief works of coolies who had left them in the previous weeks for the harvest.

Taluqs.	3rd March.	10th March.	Difference.
Ramalkota	46,003	45,309	— 694
Pattikonda	21,580	21,106	— 474
Koilkuntla	31,839	31,952	+ 113
Nandikotkur	8,029	8,507	+ 478
Nundial	18,982	20,784	+ 1,802
Sirwell	15,457	12,587	— 2,870
Cumbum	41,939	40,214	— 1,725
Markapur	13,441	11,087	— 2,354
Total	197,270	191,546	— 5,724

9. *Wages.*—The new scale of wages was introduced in Ramulkota, Pattikonda Koilkuntla and Cumbum, and as I expect been introduced in other taluqs also by this time. The lower scale of wages was adopted in Mr. Clogstoun's section*, while the higher scale was adopted in Cumbum taluq by Mr. Farmer, under an erroneous assumption that all works in his section are under the Department Public Works. I have set Mr. Farmer right, informing him that the

* Pattikonda.
Ramalkota.
Koilkuntla.

higher scale is payable only when the works are under the direct supervision of the Public Works Department, or where task-work, not less than 25 per cent. below ordinary task, is enforced.

10. The following money or grain wages were in force during the week under report.

Taluqs.	Money.			Grain.		
	Man.	Woman.	Child.	Man.	Woman.	Child.
	A. P.	A. P.	A. P.	Tolas.	Tolas.	Tolas.
Ramalkota	1 7	1 3	0 9	...	...	...
Pattikonda	1 6	1 3	0 9	...	...	...
Koilkuntla	1 7	1 4	0 9	...	...	...
Nandikotkur	2 0	1 4	0 10	...	...	...
Nandial	2 0	1 4	0 10	...	...	...
Sirwell	2 0	1 4	0 10	...	...	...
Cumbum	2 1	1 7	1 0	40 Tolas plus 1 A. 60 Tolas.	40 Tolas plus ½ A. 40 Tolas.	20 Tolas plus ½ A. 30 Tolas.
	2 0	1 6	1 0			
Markapur	2 0	1 4	0 10	60 Tolas.	40 Tolas.	30 Tolas.

11. The foregoing table shows that four different rates were in force in Cumbum taluq and two in Markapur. I have directed Mr. Farmer's attention to this, and have impressed upon him the necessity there is for maintaining a uniform rate of wages over a large tract of country to prevent people flocking to certain roads in preference to others. Mr. Farmer has lately reported that he has substituted money for grain wages throughout his division except at Chintalapalli and Krishnamsettlipally, where also he is endeavouring to extend money wages according to the new scale sanctioned in G. O., dated 31st January, 1877, No. 329 F. D. I have again instructed Mr. Gibson to introduce the new scale of wages without further loss of time, if he has not already done so.

12. *Physique of the coolies.*—The new rates have now been in force in Mr. Clogstoun's section for over a month, and, writing on the 13th instant, Mr. Clogstoun observes as follows:—

"I have no reason as yet to suppose that they have in any way prejudicially affected the health of the actual workers on the roads. The fear

that a diminution in the wages of their parents would materially affect the health of the younger members of the families, too young to work, has been removed by the liberal concession by Government of a wage of 3 pies per day to each of these young children."

13. *Gratuitous relief.* The number of persons in receipt of this form of relief in each taluq is compared in the margin with that for the previous week. The enormous increase against Ramalkota and Koilkuntla is because children under 7 years of age who were paid 3 pies each daily with reference to para. 3 of G. O. dated 5th February, 1877, No. 520 A, an included under the head "gratuitous relieved." It is not clear from the returns, whether similar payments is made in other taluqs, and I have written to the Sectional officers concerned, so that this important direction of Government may be most carefully and promptly attended to throughout their sections. The other figures in the above table call for no special remark.

Taluq.	3rd March.	10th March.	Difference
	—	—	—
Ramalkota..	30	*5,507	+5477
Pattakonda..	139	231	+ 92
Koilkuntla..	367	*2,445	+2078
Nandikerkur.	579	757	+ 178
Nandial	684	779	+ 95
Sirwell.....	313	144	— 169
Cumbum.....	998	870	— 128
Markapur ...	541	500	—' 41
	3,651	11,233	+7,582

*Ramalkota includes 5,383 and Koilkuntla about 2,000 children under 7 years of age who were paid 3 pies each.

14. The cost of gratuitous relief during the week was Rs. 1,762, and the entire cost since the commencement of distress is Rs. 17,939. As to the number and allocation of the existing relief houses, vide the Acting Collector's letter, dated 9th instant, No. 234. Since writing the above letter, the following information has been received from Mr. Farmer. "Relief houses have been established in this division at the head quarters of the 11 Relief Ranges which are:—

Cumbum Taluq.
1. Kristamsetlypalli.
2. Chintallapalli and Barlakunta.
3. Cumbum.
4. Racherla and Tudimilla.
5. Donakonda.

Markapur Taluq.
6. Gannapally.
7. Markapur.
8. Dornal.
9. Dupad.
10. Chapalamaduga.
11. Iskatriparavaram.

I have ordered the establishment of these houses after satisfying myself that private charity will not avail for supporting those who are unable to work. The number whom it will be necessary to feed at present, will, judging from past returns, be about 13,000 a week; and we may fairly expect it to rise as the season advances and people get weaker. I am of opinion that this gratuitous relief must be continued till the cholum crop is cut in September next.

Gratuitous relief is administered in this section in the shape of cooked food, and the rations are ¼ of a Cumbum measure, or 30 tolas weight of grain per head, including young and old.

Heretofore the road Superintendents used to have daily nominal rolls of the persons fed, and now that printed tickets have been received from your office, the system laid down in the printed rules will be introduced as regards their issue and presentation. Gratuitous relief is also administered at Barlagunta and Tudemilla, where Captain Biscoe and myself consider it necessary to have relief houses. A subordinate in Government employ, generally a Revenue Settlement or Survey man, is in each range put in charge of gratuitous relief. He submits his account to the Road Superintendent, under whose orders he is placed. The Road Superintendents, my assistants, and myself personally supervise gratuitous relief operations. I presume that it is not intended by the Board that the information now submitted should be repeated with each subsequent weekly report. For further particulars, vide para. 14 of the last week's report.

15. As regards the measures adopted for the administration of village relief, a separate report will be submitted shortly.

16. *Emigration.* The following table shows the number of persons who emigrated to the East Coast Canal during the week under report,

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and up to the end of the week, so far as information is at present available.

	Men.	Women.	Children.		Total.
			Over 7 years of age.	Below 7 years of age.	
During the week ending 10th March 1877.	1,038	864	541	397	2,840
To the end of the week ending 10th March 1877.	2,260	1,696	1,629	633	5,679

Emigratin to the East Coast Canal is now in fair train, and people are coming forward almost every day. All the necessary arrangements have been made to facilitate their despatch in convenient batches.

17. The experiment of feeding cattle with leaves of the prickly-pear is being carried on in Kurnool town and the marginal table shows the number of cattle being relieved, and the expenditure incurred on their account. The cattle are now eating the leaves more eagerly than in the beginning. It is a matter for regret that prickly-pear is not abundantly available either in Kurnool town or in its vicinity. People seeing the utility of the prickly-pear as fodder for cattle, are now offering to give their cattle for feeding. Every effort is being made to procure enough prickly-pear and relieve more cattle.

Number of cattle relieved.	Expenditure.	
	In the week.	Up to the end of the week
15	Rs. 13 As. 7 P. 3	Rs. 20 As. 12 P. 11

I have not heard as yet the result of the experiments which are being made at Nandial and Cumbum. I have called on the Divisional officers to report on the subject.

18. A statement,* showing the particulars of the extra establishments entertained, and map of the district showing the different works in progress, are herewith submitted.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. A. BIRD,
Additional Sub-Collector, in charge.

(True Copy).

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

* Will follow.

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Revenue {1877} Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 27th
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Enclosures 3.

Submitting to Government letter from the Collector of Kurnool regarding relief report for the week ending 10th March, 1877.

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From Kurnool Collector's Office
No. 268. 21st March 1877.

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From The Acting Collector
Kurnool

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir

Having already forwarded the Relief Reports and the return of prices and rainfall for the week ending the 10th March 1877, I have now the honor to make the following few remarks in connection with them.

2. On the whole, there was a fractional fall in the prices of all grains except Cumboo as noted in the

the margin. There was a considerable fall in the price of Rice in Canalkotta and it was probably owing to short importation by private traders, and to harvest under Canal. The slight fall in the prices of all grains in Pattikonda might be owing to extraneous temporary causes, while that in Sirwell may owing to harvest under the Canal. It is curious that in Kandikotta Cholum fell considerably (9.26 from 8.19) while other grains were stationary. The Tahsildar attributes

Average for Dist.	3rd week.	10th week.
Rice —	7.10	7.35
Cholum —	8.63	9.17
Ragi —	9.65	9.91
Cumboo —	9.31	9.29
Wheat —	7.07	7.32
Korapum —	8.26	8.59

this to a large importation of this grain into the Taluq by private merchants. The other entries in the Price return call for no special remark.

3. The rainfall during the week ending 7th was at Kurnool.

4. The number of works

Talaqs.	No. of works contained	No. of works in progress	No. of works completed in the week.
Ramalkota —	33	13	0
Pattikonda —	17	5	0
Koilkuntla —	18	9	0
Kandikottah —	40	11	0
Kandikal —	55	24	0
Sirwell —	41	13	0
Cumbum —	24	14	0
Markapur —	16	7	0
	242	95	

connected with the Canal, those in progress and completed are shown in the annexed Table. There were no

new works commenced, not
completed during the week.
Every effort is being made
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8. Numbers on Relief Works.

The numbers employed in each Taluq as contrasted with those reported for the previous week are given in the margin.

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Koilkuntla	31839	31952	+ 113
Nandikotkur	8029	8507	+ 478
Nundial	18982	20786	+ 1802
Sirvell	15457	12587	- 2870
Cumbum	41939	40214	- 1725
Markapur	13441	11087	- 2354
	197270	191546	- 5724

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9. Wages. The new scale of wages was introduced in Ramulkota, Pattikonda, Koilkuntla

Koilkuntla and Cumbum and has I expect been introduced in other Taluqs also by this time. The lower scale of wages was adopted in Mr. Blogstoun's Section while the higher scale was adopted in Cumbum Taluq by Mr. Farmer under an erroneous assumption that all works in his section are under the Department Public Works. I have set Mr. Farmer right informing him that the higher scale is payable only when the works are under the direct supervision of the Public Works Department or where task work not less than 25 per cent below ordinary task is enforced.

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10. The following money or grain wages were in force during the week under report.

Taluqs	Money			Grain		
	Man	Woman	Child	Man	Woman	Child
	a p	a p	a p	Tolas	Tolas	Tolas
Ramulkota	1-7	1-3	"-9	"	"	"
Pattikonda	1-6	1-3	"-9	"	"	"
Koilkuntla	1-7	1-4	"-9	"	"	"
Nandikotkur	2-"	1-4	"-10	"	"	"
Nandyal	2-"	1-4	"-10	"	"	"
Sirvell	2-"	1-4	"-10	"	"	"
Cumbum	2-1	1-7	1-"	40 Tolas plus Jowna 40 Tolas	40 Tolas plus Jowna 40 Tolas	20 Tolas plus Jowna 30 Tolas
Markapur	2-"	1-6	1-"			
Markapur	2-"	1-4	"-10	60 Tolas	40 Tolas	30 Tolas

11. The foregoing table shows that four different rates were in force in Cumbum Taluq and two in Markapur. I have directed Mr. Farmer's attention to this, and have impressed upon him the necessity there is for maintaining a uniform rate of wages over a large tract of country to prevent people flocking to certain roads in preference to others. Mr. Farmer has lately reported that he has substituted

substituted money for grain wages throughout his Division except at Chintalapalli and Krishnamsetti-pally where also he is endeavouring to extend money wages according to the new scale sanctioned in G.O dated 31st January 1877 No. 329 Fin. D. I have again instructed Mr. Gibsons to introduce the new scale of wages without further loss of time, if he has not already done so.

12. Physique of the Coolies. The new rates have now been in force in Mr. Elogstoun's Section for over a month and writing on the 13th instant Mr. Elogstoun observes as follows.

"I have no reason as yet to suppose that they have in any way prejudicially affected the health of the actual workers on the roads. The fear that a diminution in the wages of their parents would materially affect the health of the younger members of the families, too young to work, has been removed by the liberal concession by Government of a wage of 3 pies per day to each of these young children".

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Markapoor	541	500	-41
	3657	11233	+7582

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4. The cost of gratuitous relief during the week was Rs 1762, and the entire cost since the commencement of distress is Rs 17939. As to the number and allocation of the existing Relief Houses, vide the A.C. Collector's letter dated 9th Instant No. 234. Since writing the above letter, the following information has been received from Mr. Farmer.

"Relief Houses have been

established in this Division at the Head Quarters of the 11 Relief Ranges which are

Gimlaum Taluq
1. Krishnasetty palli
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3. Gumlaum
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I have ordered the establishment of these houses after satisfying myself that private charity will not avail for supporting those who are unable to work. The number whom it will be necessary to feed at present, will, judging from past returns, be about 13000 a week; and we may fairly expect

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Gratuitous relief is administered in this section in the Shape of cooked food, and the rations are 1/4 of a Cumbum measure or 30 Tolas weight of Grain per head including young & old.

Heretofore the Road Superintendt used to have daily nominal rolls of the persons fed, and now that printed tickets have been received from your Office, the System laid down in the printed rules will be introduced as regards their issue and presentation. Gratuitous relief is also administered at Barlagunta and Tudmilla where

Captain

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Captain Biscoe and myself consider it necessary to have Relief Houses. A subordinate in Government employ, generally a Revenue Settlement or Survey man, is in each Range put in charge of gratuitous relief. He submits his account to the Road Superintendent under whose orders he is placed. The Road Superintendent, my assistants and myself personally supervise gratuitous relief operations.

I presume that it is not intended by the Board that the information now submitted should be repeated with each subsequent weekly Report. For further particulars, vide para 14 of the last week's report.

15 As regards the measures adopted for the administration of Village relief

relief, a separate report will be submitted shortly.

16 Emigration. The following table shows the number of persons who emigrated to the East Coast Canal during the week under report and up to the end of the week, so far as information is at present available.

	Men	Women	Children over 7 years of age	Children below 7 years of age	Total
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are herewith submitted.

I have &c
D/C. A. Bird
Addl Sub Collector
in charge

(True Copy)

W Rushton
Secretary

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Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 27 March 1877.

Read letter from the

Collector of Kurnool, dated 25 March 77

No 268.

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6. Para 16. During the week 4th to the end of the week 5679 persons 2840 were drafted to the East Coast Canal. The emigration this received a satisfactory stimulus during the week under review. The prickly pear experiment has been carried on upon a very trifling Scale.

True Extract/

W Nicolay
Secretary

To

The Addl Secretary to Govt R.D.
with a map & Statt. to be retd
& Copy of Collector's letter.

W Nicolay

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Submitting to Govt
letter from the Collr
of Thurnwl regarding
relief report for
the week ending 19th
March/77.

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