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ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From H. R. FARMER, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector, to R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, dated Kristemsettippally, 8th February 1877, No. 367A.

IN reply to your foot-note, No. 228, of the 2nd instant, I have the honor to report that about 30 per cent. of the wells are now dry and that about 70 per cent. are nearly dry.

2. Probably we shall be able to maintain throughout the hot weather a supply of water in 20 or 25 per cent. of the wells, as relief coolies are now being employed in cleaning them out and deepening them.

3. Along the foot of the Nallamallays and near the banks of the Goondlakamma there is a fair supply of water in almost all the deep wells.

4. There is hardly any water besides well water fit to drink.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

From E. GIBSON, Esq., Special Assistant Collector in charge of Section II, to R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, dated Rudravaram, 9th March 1877, No. 236.

WITH reference to Government Circular, No. 407, Revenue Department, I have the honor to state that there is no reason for serious apprehension regarding the supply of drinking water in any of the taluqs of this section. The canal passes throughout the whole length of the three taluqs which, moreover, lie at the foot of the Nallamallays. There is still sufficient water to be had either above or immediately below the surface of the numerous streams running from the hills, while the western part of the Nundial Taluq is supplied by the stream generally called the Bugga, in which the water is still good and plentiful.

2. The taluq of Nandicotkur is badly supplied in some parts. I may instance the village of Kottapally, where some wells are now being deepened at the cost of Government. In this village, however, it is not unusual for water to fail, and the people have long been accustomed to fetch their supply from a distance on the shoulders of Kanadi coolies. Yelgode is another village where the supply is very short, but here again relief funds are being utilized in deepening the existing wells. Indeed, wherever there is any scarcity assistance is being given in this way, and there is in my opinion no ground for anticipating any general failure of water for drinking and culinary purposes, although in some cases the liquid procurable may be not of the best.

No. 153.

ORDER THEREON, 6th April 1877, No. 1,351.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Collector of Kurnool.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Financial Department.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

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Famine Relief.

No. 152. Read the following letter from R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated 21st March 1877, No. 273:—

With reference to your circular, No. 407, dated 30th January 1877, I have the honor to forward, herewith, copies of the reports of the Sectional Officers in regard to the supply of drinking water in the various taluqs of this district, from which it appears that there is not much reason to apprehend a failure in this respect in the taluqs on this side the Nallamallays, except in portions of the taluqs of Koilkuntla and Nandicotkur. The springs and channels that take their rise in the Nallamallays ensure a pretty good supply of drinking water to the eastern parts of Nundial and Sirwell, while the Bugga Kalwa and springs rising in the Yerraruns keep the western parts sufficiently supplied. The Irrigation Canal, which runs through the whole length of these taluqs, though now without water, is yet believed to have saturated the soil, and thus is influential in keeping up the level of water in the wells in the central parts of the taluqs.

2. The taluqs of Ramalcota and Patticonda do not appear to be worse off than Nundial or Sirwell, as Mr. Clogstoun's report would show.

3. Mr. Farmer draws rather a gloomy picture of things in his division, 30 per cent. of the wells in his taluqs being dry and 70 per cent. nearly so. As, however, rains have fallen recently in his division, it is hoped that the danger of scarcity of water will be averted.

4. I can, however, assure Government that wherever scarcity of water is felt steps are being taken to create or supply by sinking fresh wells or deepening such as already exist.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From H. F. CLOGSTOUN, Esq., Special Assistant Collector, to R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, dated 7th March 1877, No. 53-49.

In reply to your footnote, No. 228, to circular, No. 407, from the Additional Secretary to Government, on the subject of the present supply of drinking water in the taluqs of this district and of the future prospects of this supply, I have the honor to state that during the past six

Taluqs.
Ramalcota.
Patticonda.
Koilkuntla.

weeks I have been able to visit most parts of my section* of the district, and that I am of opinion that the supply is, and will continue to remain, adequate to all requirements. The

springs tapped by the wells seem to me to be exceedingly numerous, and, considering the circumstances of the season, to be strikingly fruitful. Water is generally found within a comparatively slight depth of the surface, and a well dug in the rock seems, as a rule, to be abandoned as hopeless if water is not found at 30 feet. I have had occasion to clean out many wells during the past two months, and in all of them the trouble of removing the silt has been amply repaid by the plentiful flow of water which it has thereby secured.

2. In portions of the Koilkuntla Taluq, and in those villages where the soil is under-laid with rock, some difficulties may be experienced, and it may be necessary to determine what employment relief laborers shall be put to with reference more to considerations of available water-supply than of general advantage which the works hold out. I believe, however, there are no difficulties which energy and forethought will not overcome, and I do not think that the Government have any cause for anxiety as far as my section of the district is concerned.

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Sirwell

Murmoor Collectors Office.

21st March 1877

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From,

The Acting Collector
Murmoor

To,

The Additional Secretary
to Government
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your
Circular No 407 dated 30th January 1877
I have the honor to forward herewith
copies of the reports of the Sectional
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drinking water in the various
Talugs of this District from which
it appears that there is not much
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this side the Vallamallay except
in portions of the Talugs of Koilthimla
and Vandicothur. The Springs
and Channels that take their
rise in the Vallamallay ensure
a pretty good supply of drinking water
to the Eastern parts of Vandial and
Sirwell

Govt. of 1877 Madras.

REVENUE.

THE COLLECTOR OF KURNUL,

Secy, Secy, Secy.

Dated April 8th, 1877.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 6th April 1877, No. 1,351.

APRIL

Nos. 152-153.

FAMINE RELIEF, No. 908.

Distributing Office to the Kurnool District. — Received
the letter from the Collector for forwarding reports of
Divisional Officers with regard to the supply of —

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servant
J. M. H.
Addl. Sub-Collector
In Charge

J. M. H.
A. H.

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The Special Aft Collection
Journal

To, The Acting Collector
Huron Co.

Dir.

In reply to your footnote No. 228 to Circular No. 407, from the Additional Secretary to Government on the subject of the present supply of drinking water in the Taluqs of this District and of the future prospects of this supply, I have the honor to state, that, during the past six weeks, I have been able to visit most parts of my section of the District and that I am of opinion that the supply is, and will continue to remain, adequate to all requirements. The Springs tapped by the wells seem to me to be exceedingly numerous, and considering

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Ramalcota.
Paticenda.
Hoilhumla.

Entrance

Dec. 1877 to 1878

The 22^d October

The 20th Secretary
Government

Madras

Feb 21st March 1897

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Forwarding with reference
to Circular No 4073 30 June 1904
copies of the report of the
Commissioner of the General Land Office
to the Secretary of the Interior.

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I have &c
(Signed) H. F. Clouston
Spt. Asst. Collector

(True Copy)


Asst. Sub-Collector
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Kristenestipally
8th February 1877

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From

The Acting Asst Collector
Munnool

To

The Acting Collector of
Munnool

S. P. C. W.

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3. Along the foot of the Kallamul
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From

The Asst Collector
Munnool

To

The Asst Collector
Munnool

No. 7/1878.

4. A. S. Munnool 17th 1878.

Enclosure in letter No. 228
of 11th March 1877

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drink.

I have &c

(Signed) H. R. Tanner
Agtd Agt Collector

(True Copy)

J. M. W.

Add Sub Collection

In charge

JR
agtd

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6. Murnool Spt. Aft. Coll. Office
Camp Rustravaram
No 236. 7th March 1877

From

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The Special Aft. Collector
In charge of Section No II.

To

The Acting Collector
Murnool

Sir,

With reference to Government
Circular No 407 Resumed Depart-
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Mr. Farnes Report

From

The Spt. Collector

to The Asst. Secretary

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906 Spt. Aft. Coll. Office
No 1351

Enclosure in Mr. Farnes
Report March 1877

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For Gilman's Report
from the Big Butte
of Mineral
to the Coal Shuntage
Fund
March 1898
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7/18/98
P.O. 6. March 17/98
Enclosure, no letter
Feb 29/98 21d March 1898

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(Signed) E. Gibson
Spt apt Collection
inchi of section II

(True Copy)

W. H. H. H.
Asst. Sub Collection
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