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19th April 1877.*

Famine Relief.

No. 466. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th April 1877, No. 1,556:—

Read the following letter from W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vellore, 28th March 1877, No. 202.

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith, for the Board's perusal, the Acting Sub-Collector's letter, No. 133, dated 14th instant, on the progress of relief works in his Division for the month of February last.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From W. P. AUSTIN, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, to W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, dated Trivattoor, 14th March 1877, No. 133.

I HAVE the honor to submit the following progress report of relief works in the Sub-division for the month of February last.

2. Mr. Irvine was in charge of the Sub-division up to 23rd, and he does not appear, owing to the jamabundy of the Poloor Taluq, to have inspected any work. As Mr. Cox did not relieve me of the charge of the Head Assistant Collector's office up to the end of the month, I was not able to inspect any myself within the month.

3. In the Vellore Taluq two roads and twelve well, &c., works were in progress. Of the latter six works, viz., the removal of silt from Sooriagunta Cusbah Channel and four other minor wells were within the limits of the Vellore Municipality. There were about 3,112 coolies against 5,119 in the previous month at work. The decrease was owing chiefly to the transfer of a large number of coolies to the relief camp for throwing an embankment around it. I have inspected the Sooriagunta, &c., works early in this month, and found the coolies do more work than hitherto.

Name of Work.	Length of the Road.	Completed— Up to last month.	In this month.
Road from Abdoollapuram to Salem frontier	23	12	5
Road from Pennathoor to Thelli forest	11	4	2

Of the two roads in the taluq, five miles in one and two miles in the other have been completed during the month as noted in the margin. No gravel, however, has yet been spread on them owing to want of rain. About 3,200 were engaged on this work. From the inspection I have made of these works in this month, I found the works satisfactory. Of the remaining six works two have been completed and four were in rapid progress. All these are working-water wells. From the progress report of the Tahsildar I find the work to cost Anna 1 rupee 9 to 3 1/2 Annas per cubic yard.

4. Dreading the approach of water-famine at Vellore two pot-wells were sunk in the bed of Palar experimentally at a cost of about 16 Rupees each. They contain plenty of water, and if the water-supply becomes scarce more can easily be sunk.

5. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, No. dated 12th January 1877, you having in your letter, No. 142 of the 29th idem, ordered to stop certain works there were very few works in progress during the greater part of the month in the Arcot Taluq. Of these the most important works were the two following roads, viz., road from Arcot to Kaniembodi, road from Punganur to Trivattoor. There were about 3,500 coolies working on these. The allotment of 7,000 sanctioned by the Board in their Proceedings of the 3rd November 1876 has been spent already in forming a road to a length of about ten miles. I have seen this work a few days ago and found it satisfactory. The cost per mile is rather a little above the average; but it was owing to the hard nature of the soil and to the difficulty experienced in procuring water from distant places to wet the ground before any work could be commenced. There are still four miles of road to be formed for which an additional grant of 3,000 Rupees has been applied.

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6. As regards the other road which I inspected yesterday, I found the work almost completed. It was, however, brought to my notice that a part of the road has been carried on the low ground in opposition to what I originally proposed. I have called upon the Tahsildar to explain this.

7. In the Cudiathum Taluq there were only five works in progress, viz., clearing two old wells and a channel and sinking two new wells, giving work to 730 coolies. Five thousand three hundred cubic yards of silt and earth have been removed during the month under report. I have had no time to inspect these works, but from the report of the Overseer in charge of them, I find the money has been usefully spent.

8. I have, however, inspected the road constructed from Trivellore to Kilminnel which has come almost to completion. The work is satisfactory.

9. As I wanted to inspect the above works before I could send this report this long delay has occurred.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. S. WHITESIDE,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The state of the works seems to be satisfactory.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 466B. ORDER THEREON, 19th April 1877, No. 1,484A.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Financial Department.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. W. H. French and A. F. Goodall.

North Aroost
Sub Collector's Office
Camp Ipiratoor

No 133
14th March 1877

From

W. P. Aiston Esquire
Ag Sub Collector of
North Aroost

To
H. S. Whiteside Esquire
Collector of North Aroost

Sir,
I have the honor to sub-
mit the following Progress Report
of Relief works in the Sub-
Division for the month of
February last.

2. Mr. Irvine was in charge
of the Sub-Division up to 23rd
and

REPORT OF 1877

REVENUE

To

FOR BOARD OF REVENUE

By

Acc.

No.

Dated April, 1877

Recd.

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G.O. 1877, No. 1, 1877

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Reference to North Aroost—According to Pro-
ceedings of the Board of Revenue, containing
report from the Collector, reported on the progress
of—

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inspected any work. As
Mr Cox did not relieve me
of the charge of the Head
Assistant Collector's Office
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any myself within the
month.

3. In the Vellore Taluk
two Roads and 12 well etc.
works were in progress. Of
the latter 6 works, viz.
the removal of silt from
Sooragunta branch
Channel

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the limits of the Vellore
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Road from Chidambaram to Salem Frontier	28	12	5
Dr. Penmanship to Thellipore	11	4	2

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were the two following

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bad, Road from Pungar

to Trivator. There were

about 3500 coolies working

on these. The allotment of

7000 sanctioned by the

Board in their Proceedings

of the 3rd November 1876

has been spent already

in forming a Road to a

length of about 10 miles. I

have seen this work a few

days ago and found it

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Have att
/s/ W. Austin
ag. Int. Collector

/True copy/
/s/ W. S. Whiteside
Inspector.

/True copy/
W. S. Whiteside
Secretary

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Revenue Department

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Proceedings of the Board of Rev.

Dated 6th April 1877

Read the following:-

No. 202.

From,

W. S. Whiteside Esquire
Collector of Northampton

For

W. E. Stokes Esquire

Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to
forward herewith for the Board's
perusal the Ag. Sub Collector's
letter No. 133 dated 14th Inst.
on the progress of Relief works
in

Board's G. Ret.
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No 72288

Enclosure in

Board's Pro.

Proceedings - of

6th April 1877

to

The Asst. Secy. to

Govt. of Madras

at
G.O. No. 14814/77

in his Division for the month
of February last.

North Arcot } I have etc
Collector's Cir. Office } 15th W. Austin
Vellore 28th March 1877 } Subcollector for
Collector.

Submitted for the information
of Government.

2. The State of the works
seems to be satisfactory.

True copy & Extract

W. Austin
Secretary

To

The Adm^l Secy to Govt. Rio
with copy of enclosure

+ Copy
copied
W. Austin

