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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

14th May 1877, No. 1,716.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 269. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th April 1877, No. 1,908.

Read the following letter from J. F. PRICH, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Budwail, 14th April 1877, No. 755.

I HAVE the honor to report, for the information of the Board, that I have this morning carefully examined the store of Government ~~store~~ rice at this station amounting to 2,132 bags.

2. I opened a considerable number of bags taken from different parts of the store, including the centre of the stock both upper, middle, and lower tiers.

3. I regret to say that in every one I found that weevils accompanied often by a small and lively beetle, which I have never seen before, existed.

4. In some bags the grain was in consequence very much damaged. The old rice, and particularly that in bags marked ^{HJM}_{HE}, was more affected than the new.

5. I forward by banghy fourteen samples taken from different bags.

6. The rice appears to be very much mixed, and some of that which accompanies this letter, I should call very indifferent. Some, on the other hand, I found very good.

7. Mr. Cox had, upon a letter written by me, already reported that there were insects in the rice, but he said that they were not weevils, so I determined to see for myself, and the result has been that I do not think that there can be any doubt that Mr. Cox's opinion was wrong.

8. As to what to do with any chance of getting rid of the weevils, I can make no suggestion. The bags are in the cutcherry, and there has been no carelessness as regards their custody. The Board has, in the case of Jamalmadugu, remarked that turning the rice out and spreading it in the sun may remedy the evil; but this will be a very heavy job, and every day brings up in the afternoon furious dust storms with rain hanging about them.

9. If the Board will permit it, I will turn out all the bags, whitewash the store and fumigate it with sulphur as well as an open building can be, and have the rice spread out in the sun, re-bagged and re-stored. I do not think though that this will be of much use, for it will have to be done again in another month or perhaps even sooner.

10. I hear that the rice at Porumamilla is in the same state as that here.

Revenue Department, 14th May 1877, No. 1,716.

The samples will be forwarded to Government. Some of the rice is very bad, very dirty, and scarcely fit for food. The Board observe that a Commissariat officer has been ordered to inspect the stock, and such of the rice as he may not condemn but may pronounce in danger of spoiling should at once be used for payment of wages.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 270.

ORDER THEREON, 14th May 1877, No. 1,716.

Miscellaneous.

The samples will be forwarded to Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. for any remarks they may wish to offer regarding the quality of the rice.

2. The Government approve the Board's directions as to disposing of whatever rice is not condemned by the Commissariat Conductor, and await that officer's report.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Ld. F. R. Bantleman.

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Proceedings of the Board of
Revenue
Dated 25th April 1877

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(True Copy & Extract)

Witness

Secretary

To add Sec 9 to Govt R.O with
samples of rice.

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Forwarding 5 tons
Latter from the cotton
cotton report on
the Govt's return rice
at Bandjail, and the
samples of rice sent
by him.

The sample with the forward to him is
about 250 lbs for my use. The
bag with better quality & weight of the
rice. (2) The Govt's return rice
return to 6 bags of which one
has been sent to the Government
for the purpose of the
14 Dec 1877

Received of the
Govt of the
500 lbs of rice
on 11 Dec 1877