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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

26th June 1877, No. 2,112.

Famine Relief.

Read the following telegrams:—

No. 553. From Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

PRICES stationary; rice 13 seers, ragi 2, cholam 18, cumbu 26. Imports, Chilka land rice 167 tons, ragi 6. Rain 65 cents. at 9 stations. Cholera, 2 deaths. Cattle-disease decreasing.

No. 554. From Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

AVERAGE quantity of seer of 80 tolahs per rupee, current and previous week, respectively, rice, second sort, 10, 11; cholam 16, 17; cumbu 19, 20; ragi 18, 18. Imports by sea, rice none, 7 tons; ragi one, ton, none. By land, rice 50 tons, 40. Rain $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in five taluqs. Cholera in 4 taluqs; 66 deaths during week. Small-pox and fever in 1 taluq. Pasture plentiful. None reported fed during week. Other particulars required blank.

No. 555. From Collector of Godavery, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 20th June 1877.

AVERAGE prices per rupee for seer of 80 tolahs, rice 10½, cholam 15, ragi 16, cumbu 20. No imports. No relief-works. No relief-camps. No other gratuitous feeding. No additional officers employed. One medical officer and 13 subordinates in district. Rain very little. Cholera slight in Rajahmundry, Yernagudem, Tanke, and Bhimavaram. Slight fever in Bhadrachalam and Peddapur; small-pox in Ellore and Bhadrachalam. Cattle generally healthy. Pasture and water-supply good.

No. 556. From Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 25th June 1877.

RAIN-FALL 28 cents. Masulipatam; none elsewhere. 2-80 feet over anicut. In five taluqs early crops, such as rajja, giddajonna, maize, black paddy, gingelly, sown. Standing crops require rain. Prices generally stationary. Seers of 80 rupees weight, rice 8-63, cholam 11-10, ragi 12-95, cumbu 10-65. Imports by land at Guntur rice 17-85, cholam 17-8 tons. Number on relief-works 2,863; number fed gratuitously by Government in camps 651, in villages 53, by people 777. Cholera, small-pox, and fever here and there. Cattle-disease in few taluqs. Grass fading for want of rain. Markets fairly supplied.

No. 557. From Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

REPORT for the week ending 26th June. Average prices, in the market, last week 7-74 against 7-72 seers per rupee last week; cholam 9-89 against 9-85; ragi 11-82 against 11-80; cumbu 10-25 against 10-37. Imports by sea none, rice 60 tons; cumbu 2 tons, ragi 1 ton, were brought into the town of Nellore. Number on district relief-works 23,014 against 25,604 last week. Number on Canal 45,555 against 46,126. Number on relief-works under D. P. W. 6,859. Number fed gratuitously in camps 24,398 against 22,261 last week. Village relief 535 against 585. Children of coolies employed on works 3,968 against 4,379; returns from Venkatagiri not received. Expenditure sanctioned 12,53,000. Civil officers 12, Medical 26, D. P. W. 39, Survey 35, Settlement 20. Health of man—12 deaths from cholera against 15 last week. Cholera, small-pox, guinea-worm, ague, and diarrhoea prevalent in some taluqs. Rain-fall inches at Udayagiri 0-65, Kanigiri 0-15, Kandukur 1-89. Water-supply abundant except in Kandukur, Gudur, Palur, and Venkatagiri, where it is sufficient. Standing crops thriving. Cattle have sufficient food now in most parts. Slight cattle-disease in Kavali, Kandukur, and Ongole.

No. 558. From Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

AVERAGE prices seers per rupee, in previous week, in present week, second-sort rice 7-16, 7-16; cholam 8-34, 8-41; ragi 9-32, 9-34; cumbu 8-51, 8-43. People relief-works 100,202. 791 & 1-000000 8-500 due to pressure of business and to removal to relief-works of persons

Europeans, Natives, Revenue 3-1; Relief 15-14; Magisterial 4-11; Medical Officers increase; Subordinates 18. Cholera 336, 308. Number cattle died want fodder and diseases 312, 215, respectively. Rain reported three taluqs average .01 inch.

No. 559. From Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

AVERAGE price second-sort rice 6-48, last week 6-57; boiled rice at Bellary 7-83, last week 7-56; cholam or great millet 6-55, last week 6-89; Jubbulpore cholam at Bellary 7-73, last week 7-73; raggi or lesser millet 7-32, last 7-56; cumbu 6-77, last week 7-18, seers of 80 talahs. Import tons 5,615. Accounts from two railway stations only, 277,578 persons on relief-works. Decrease on revised return for previous week 15,822; this is chiefly due to some coolies having gone for cultivation purposes. 151,184 gratuitously fed, of whom 28,309 fed in relief-houses and 2,155 in relief camps. Increase on revised return for previous week 1,884. This is chiefly due to relief-houses having been opened in most of the villages. 1,161 gratuitously fed private charity, aided by Government grant. Sanctioned expenditure 69,16,000. Cheques actually granted 7,31,000. Additional officers, Revenue and Magisterial, Europeans and Eurasians two, Natives 20, Police none; Relief 48, European and Eurasians, Medical Officer one and Subordinates ten. Rain-fall $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce, at Bellary 2 ounces, at Kudlighi 6 ounces, at Hospett 25 ounces, at Harpanhally and Adoni 1 ounce, at Tadpatry $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce, at Raidroog slight rain, at Ihurmavaram $\frac{2}{3}$ ounces, at Hindupur 36 ounces, at Madaksira 6. Ryots are sowing early dry crops in many villages. Cholera decreasing, but still in 12 taluqs. Small-pox and fever prevalent. Cattle still perishing in some places from want of fodder, but recent rain will soon make procurable. Supply of drinking water much improved.

No. 560. From Acting Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

$\frac{1}{2}$ inch rain in Kurnool town and Nandial. Toombudra still in fresh. Water in Kurnool town abundant. Agricultural operations progressing throughout the district. Average price second-sort rice 6-67 Imperial seers a rupee, cholam 7-48, ragi 8-79, cumbu 8-91. Cholera, small-pox, and fever continue; cholera seizures 80, deaths 57. Condition of cattle poor. Grants sanctioned to date 46,21,000. Coolies on relief-works 205,611; gratuitously fed 59,937. Particulars of latter are 3,254 in Nandial and Khaderabagh relief-camps. 45,783 children under seven years, 5,075 village relief and 5,825 in relief-houses. The increase of 663 coolies on relief-works calls for no remark. Additional Civil officers, including Survey and Settlement, 61. Medical officers 11. 163 tons private grain imported in four taluqs. Physique of coolies fair.

No. 561. From Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

For week ending 22nd June, average prices in Government seers, second-sort rice per rupee 7-4, cholam 8-4, ragi 9-2, cumbu 7-8, wheat 5-7. Relief-works coolies 52,875. Decrease owing to several well works having been stopped. Persons gratuitously fed in camps 9,476. Additional officers employed in higher branches 15. Sanctioned expenditure up to date Rupees 10,26,914. of man—cholera still prevalent; fever and small-pox in some places. Health of cattle—pasture insufficient, but just growing; cattle still dying of starvation and disease in some parts.

No. 562. From Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

RICE, second-sort, 8 seers, cholam 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, ragi 11, cumbu 11 $\frac{1}{2}$, dearer than last week. Imports by sea none; by rail not known. 15,000 Rupees for works. Number employed last day, men 77, women 80, children 3. Fed relief-house Chengam—men 65, women 241, children 339, deaths 2; fed in 65 villages—men 1,307, women 1,954, children 4,333. Rain-fall during week 1 inch Villapuram and Hoozoor, $\frac{1}{2}$ Chillumbram, $\frac{1}{2}$ Tindivanam. People healthy. Cholera deaths reported 182 against 224 attacks. Cattle-disease some villages. Pasture improved.

No. 563. From Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

PRICES seers rice 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, ragi 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, cumbu 11, cholam 9 $\frac{1}{2}$. Imports by sea, rice tons 3,099. Relief-works none. Slight rain in some places of Mayaveram and Sheally Taluqs on 17th and 18th instant; rivers rising high. Deaths from cholera 271. Small-pox almost throughout district; three deaths reported therefrom. Fever in some parts. Cattle-disease in Combaconum and Tritrapundi Taluqs, with some loss of life. Fodder available.

No. 564. From Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

WEEK ending June 23rd third-sort rice 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ seers, cholam 13, ragi 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, cumbu 9 $\frac{1}{2}$. Import of grains during this week 314 tons. No relief-works. Number fed in hospital camp on 23rd June about 500; by private subscription 1,428. Rs. 5,000 sanctioned. Military and Civil Medical Officers 12; Civil Medical Subordinates 12. Rain-fall none. Deaths, cholera 127; small-pox 45. Vekkal and dysentery among cattle in Ulayarpalayam and Perambalur Taluqs. Freshes down the Cauvery to-day good; flood in both rivers.

No. 565. From Collector of Madura, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

RICE, second sort, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, cholam 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, ragi 9 $\frac{1}{2}$, cumbu $\frac{1}{2}$. Import rice tons 1,873. Sanctioned expenditure to date 2,43,748. Number relief-works 3,297; gratuitously fed in camps 8,962; otherwise fed 2,625. Paddy returns not received, hence the fall. Rain-fall slight in Periacolum. Cholera deaths 327. Cattle doing badly in Madura, Dindigul, Melar, improving elsewhere.

No. 566. From Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

Good rain on hills gauged 3 inches and 7 oz. at Tenkasi. High freshes in Tambrapurni in the last 3 days. 9 feet on the 24th. Many tanks and channels under it received full supply. Kar cultivation in river valley continues to be brisk. Standing crops good on the whole. 131 deaths to 167 attacks of cholera. Cattle-disease continues with slight mortality in two distressed taluqs. Prices stationary. Average prices per rupee second-sort rice 8 seers of 80 talahs, cholam 11 $\frac{1}{2}$, cumbu 11, and ragi 10. Import of grain rice 1,298 tons. Number on relief-works nil. Number gratuitously fed in camps 879. Number otherwise fed 19. Expenditure sanctioned Rs. 64,200. No additional officers employed, nor extra medical officers entertained.

No. 567. From Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

PRICES slight rise, rice, second sort, 7-33, cholam 8-2, ragi 8-63, cumbu slight fall 8-61. Imports estimated rice 1,060 tons, other grains 150. Cholera in taluqs; attacks 776, deaths 631. Fever, small-pox, diarrhoea, to small extent. Rain partial and scanty Collegal 25, Coimbatore three days 77, Pollachi 3 days 72, Oodamulpottah 22nd 20. Freshes in Noyel upper tanks filled. Bhowany, Ambravutty, Auliar also in fresh. Cultivation in parts of district. Cattle poor; pasture available in Collegal and parts of Bhowany, Sattiamangalam, Erode, Palladam, Coimbatore. Fodder scarce. Water-supply improving. Estimated expenditure 775,057; actual 488,764. Additional officers 2. Medical officer 1. On relief-works 27,828. Increase chiefly recipients of gratuitous rations sent to work. No applications and coolies who went to, although returned. No deterioration of physique of work-people reported. Gratuitously relieved, centres 31,381, village 2,692, total 34,073.

No. 568. From Commissioner, Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 26th June 1877.

AVERAGE prices four stations, Ooty, Coonoor, Kotagiri, and Gudalur, rice 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ seers per rupee, cholam 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, ragi 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, cumbu in Ooty only 9. Import tonnage week ending 23rd June rice 233 $\frac{1}{2}$, cholam 1, ragi 4 $\frac{1}{2}$, and cumbu into Ooty only 4. Fair rain generally. Cholera prevalence in villages near Kotagiri and Coonoor, 7 deaths reported at Kotagiri. In other parts it is subsiding. Small-pox also prevails to a small extent. No cattle-disease reported. About 220 under relief in camps and 20 starving travellers daily fed.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

26th June 1877, No. 2,112-A.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 574-A. From the Acting Collector of Kurnool, to the Additional Secretary to Government, dated Kurnool, 14th June 1877, No. 570.

With reference to G.O., dated 4th June 1877, No. 1891-B, I have the honor to report that the Petitioner D. Streenevasa
* Vide Telegram, dated 2nd January 1877. Row was suspended* by Government direct for proved incompetence and inefficiency, a few days after I took charge of the district. I had at the time of his suspension no personal knowledge of his qualifications; but from what I have since ascertained, I have no reason to suppose that Government formed an erroneous estimate of his character.

2. I am unable therefore to recommend his re-employment during the continuance of the famine.

No. 574-B. ORDER THEREON, 26th June 1877, No. 2,112-A.

~~Miscellaneous.~~ Government decline to reinstate him during the continuance of the present famine.
(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. T. O'Connor.

for Secretary to Government

*Hammool
Collector's Office*

No 570

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 4704

From *Ag. Collector of Hammool*
Dated *14th June* 187*7*.
FOR ORDERS.

*I was met by
Winstone during
the famine -*

He 24/6 1877

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*To Government Agent - Informing - that the
Government has decided to release him during the
absence of the present famine.*

Collector Office
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No 570

From Mr. Acting Collector
Huron Co.

To The Ad. Secretary to Govt.
Madras.

FOR ORDERS.

L 4704

1. Statement for - Informing - that the
Government decline to reinstate him during the
continuance of the present famine.

Sir. With reference to L.O. dated 11th
June 1877 & 10th 1878 B. I have the honor
to report that the Petitioner, D. Stearns
was suspended by Government
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inefficiency, a few days after I took
charge of the District. I had at the
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But from what I have since ascer-
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I am unable therefore to re-
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I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most Obedt. Servt.
C. J. RUOD
Special Deputy Collector
for Acting Collector

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