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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

26th June 1877, No. 2,121.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 592. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th June 1877, No. 2,794.

Read the following letter from R. S. BENSON, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector, to J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddalore, dated Camp Mahtapampulli, 29th May 1877, No. 536.

I HAVE the honor to submit for April 1877 the monthly Progress Report on Relief Works in my division called for in Board's Proceedings, No. 3,152, dated 12th December 1876.

2. I shall as usual first give a general sketch of the progress and cost of works and then notice other matters of interest as directed in G.O., No. 1,003, dated 9th March 1877.

SIDHOUT TALUQ.

3. (a)—*Kotapad Road*.—This was the only major work in the taluq going on during the month. No new works were opened, as it appeared desirable to restrict the facilities for the relief of the famine-stricken districts to the East Coast Canal. The object of this road is to open up the Pennair valley and indirectly the Hobalam valley to more easy communication with the railway at Wontimittah and Nandaloor. It passes by the rich villages of Kotapad, Madavarum, Kuruguntapalli, Kemmoor, Kouapurum, and up to Tungatoor in Pullampett Taluq. The work has been marked throughout by the Public Works Department, and the soil is favorable. During the month Rs. 4,089 were spent, the road pushed on to within two and a half miles of Tungatoor, its terminus, and the outturn of work was 12,584 cubic yards earthwork, &c., and 85,917 square yards clearing, &c. On the whole this has been the most economical and best managed road in the division. I hope to be able to complete it within a very little of the estimate, Rs. 30,000. On the last day of the month 1,912 coolies were at work.

4. (b)—*Relief Camp, Sidhout*.—During the month also, Rs. 997 were spent in making a relief camp at Sidhout. The making of sheds, &c., had to be done by skilled laborers, but the trenching, clearing, &c., was done by gangs of relief coolies. The outturn of work by them was 1,351 cubic yards earthwork and 11,400 square yards clearing, &c.

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5. (a)—*Rainfall, Hobly Road*.—This is a very important work intended to open up the rich and populous valley of the lower Cheyair and bring it into communication with the railway at Rajampett. It is entirely under the control of the Public Works Department, but payments are made by a Revenue Officer on rolls submitted by the Public Works Department, and we retain the right of checking rolls, examining work and coolies, &c. The plan has succeeded well and goes far to render fraud more difficult. It has gradually

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been extended, until now about three-fourths of the coolies in the taluq are under this *bi-partite* supervision and in receipt of wages on the higher scale of the Government Order of 31st January 1877.

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The road was worked as before in two sections, and the outturn of the work in the month was as follows:—

	Metal.	Gravel.	Earthwork.	Clearing, &c.
First Section ..	C. YDS. 2,372	C. YDS. 1,509	C. YDS. 15,432	S. YDS. 11,144
Second do. ..	1,024	3,568	9,490	17,092
Total ..	3,456	5,177	24,922	31,236

The expenditure was Rs. 5,582 and Rs. 3,231 on each section, respectively. This must be regarded as a very satisfactory result, considering the restriction placed on fixing the Sunday wage, &c. At the close of the month 1,711 coolies were at work on the first section, and 1,186 coolies on the second.

6. (b)—*Kodoor to Ballapalli Road*.—The second work of importance is the continuation of the Madras road from Kodoor up to Ballapalli on the North Arcot frontier, distance of about 13 miles. At present it will chiefly be of use in opening up the Ballapalli and other forests, whence a great deal of timber is, and will be, drawn for the railway and for the Madras market. The road will also be of use in improving the means of communication with North Arcot. This road is entirely under Revenue supervision, and the coolies have been paid on by the lower rate. The line has, however, been marked by the Range Officer, and his directions are followed in every professional matter. I regret to say that, as before, the outturn of work on this road is less satisfactory than elsewhere. I found here in many places the road was in very poor condition. Mr. Benson's explanation of the inferior outturn of work is, in my opinion, correct and sufficient.—J. F. P.

distance that gravel and metal has to be carried to the road-side. The outturn of the month is shown below:—

	Metal.	Stones.	Gravel.	Earthwork.	Clearing, &c.
Kodoor Section ..	C. YDS. 923	C. YDS. 229	C. YDS. 613	C. YDS. 1,736	S. YDS. 4,608
Settigunta do. ..	56	391	1,343	13,314	4,608
Total ..	1,014	620	1,961	15,050	4,608

Much of the metal and gravel had to be carried from 3 to 7 furlongs, a heavy item in the expense. The amount spent in the month was on the Kodoor Section Rs. 2,352, and on the Settigunta Section, Rs. 3,618. At the close of the month the numbers working were, respectively, 1,314 and 1,691.

7. (c)—*Kodoor to Chitwail Road*.—This road is intended to open up the Gunganair valley, including Nagaveram, Bowmaveram, Nagaripud, Kampasumudrum, Chitwail, and other villages lower down. At present the rail is reached from Chitwail by a ghaut road to Pullampett two miles from Raddipalli Station. In future communication will probably be by this new road to Kodoor Station. This road was under the Revenue Department, but has just been transferred to the Public Works Department on the same terms as the Rajampett road. The expenditure in April was Rs. 1,872, and the outturn of work 271 cubic yards metal, 218 cubic yards gravel,

6,293 cubic yards earthwork, and 116 square yards clearing, &c. The numbers employed at the end of the month were 676.

8. (d)—*Chitwail to Hobly Road*.—This is practically an extension of the Kodoor-Chitwail road and runs down the valley of the Gunganair to Hobly on the banks of the Cheyair. The section next to Chitwail was opened up by the Public Works Department supervision in the taluq. The outturn of work on both sections has been very satisfactory. It is as shown below:—

	Metal.	Gravel.	Earthwork.	Clearing, &c.
Chitwail Section ..	C. YDS. 3,049	C. YDS. 3,820	C. YDS. 5,039	S. YDS. 3,108
Hobly do. ..	3,914	480	4,378	3,756
Total ..	6,963	4,300	9,407	6,864

The expenditure on each section was Rs. 3,463 and Rs. 3,136, respectively, and the month closed with 1,568 coolies on the first section and 1,570 on the second section.

9. (e)—*Cheyair Embankments*.—These are being carried out by Mr. West, the Resident Engineer at Cheyair Bridge, in direct communication with the Collector. No returns in connection with them pass through my hands, but through the courtesy of Mr. West, I have many instructions to be issued to the Superintendents of those in the division and to the Police.—J. F. P.

especially Royachoti and Voilpand. It is thought that a fair proportion of those sent from my division have remained at the canal, as their going was entirely voluntary, and works were nowhere closed, and the coolies draughted off *en masse*. Some have, however, come back to their villages or the local works, complaining of the climate (water), cholera, &c., while others say the promises made to them were not kept. Very probably the recruiters, having an interest in the matter, pointed the advantages of the canal in unduly glowing colors and disappointment was the natural result.

14. During the month gratuitous relief, which was commenced only in March, was extended very widely through the agency of the Village Reddies. The following is a statement of the numbers fed on the last day of each week in each taluq:—

Month and Date.	COOLIES.				Amount Spent.
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
Sidhout Taluq.					
6th April 1877	77	83	45	205	RS. A. P. 50 15 9
13th " "	176	266	117	559	118 10 10
20th " "	140	156	94	390	105 5 6
27th " "	178	209	124	511	207 14 6
Total ..	571	714	380	1,665	480 14 7

dars to see that the money is spent within a reasonable time on the stipulated work under pain of immediate recovery.

12. There were no changes of organization during the month, but the old and weakly on the various works were segregated into separate gangs of inefficients on a gang of fifty persons would prove no hardship at the existence of a few inefficients in the consequently a relaxation was made in the case where the coolies appeared in worse condition than elsewhere in the taluq. More recently the concession has been extended to all gangs in the division, and has operated as a very small reduction of task for all coolies.

13. The transport to the East Coast Canal of coolies collected by the agency of recruiters was carried on vigorously during the month. Unfortunately these measures had to be discontinued owing to the outbreak of cholera on the route. The following is a statement of the total numbers sent from my division:—

Taluq.	Number.
Sidhout	2,930
Pullampett	2,927
Total	5,857

No diminution, however, resulted in the numbers on the works. On the contrary the increase was steady, though gradual. While I write very large numbers are streaming back over the passes from Nellore. They are, as a rule, in wretched condition, and very largely swell the relief lists of the Pullampett Taluq. As many as 100

Strict orders to relieve should be issued to the Reddies along the route and their advances should be increased. The Chitwail, Budwail, opportunities of inspecting the work. It is very well executed, and the organization and arrangements are all that can be wished. Some 1,600 coolies were employed daily during the month.

10. The following statement shows the number and sanctioned cost of minor works in each taluq to date of this report. They consist almost entirely of clearing, deepening, and repairing old wells and digging new ones in some places:—

Taluq.	Number.	Sanctioned Cost.
Sidhout	63	1,438
Pullampett	51	1,804
Total	114	3,242

Owing to the heavy rains on the 17th and 19th of this month the water-supply of the division is now on the whole quite assured. A few villages exceptionally situated may, however, still require some aid in this direction.

11. I add a statement taluqwar of the amount of advances granted under the Land Improvement Act to date:—

Taluq.	Amount.
Sidhout	Rs. 2,850
Pullampett	7,220
Total	10,070

These are almost entirely given in sums of Rs. 50 or Rs. 100, and are expended on improving old or digging new wells. Many applications are made for advances for other purposes, such as to purchase grain, cattle, &c.; but care is taken to make the advances only where the money is likely to be spent in the manner stipulated and where the security offered is sufficient. Orders have also been issued to the Tahsil-

Month and Date.	COOLIES.				Amount Spent.
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
Pullampett Taluq.					
6th April 1877	612	602	1,164	2,378	705 7 5
13th " "	869	1,039	2,038	3,946	1,556 3 0
20th " "	930	1,226	2,193	4,349	1,777 1 8
27th " "	963	1,274	2,175	4,412	1,953 9 6
Total ..	3,374	4,141	7,570	15,085	5,992 5 7
Grand Total ..	3,945	4,855	7,950	16,750	6,473 4 2

These numbers in Pullampett appeared excessive, and it was found on inquiry that the Reddies had, as might have been expected, shown little discretion in settling the objects for charity. Many who could work were fed merely on the ground of their poverty instead of sending them to relief works. This has now, however, to a great extent, been set right by the exertions of the Relief Inspectors, and the principles on which village relief is to be given has been more clearly impressed on the Reddies. At present about 1,000 have been transferred from the villages to the four relief gangs of the taluq and there remain rather more than 1,000 in the villages. This cannot be considered excessive in a population of 142,000 people, of whom 26,864 are Pariahs.

This is not heavy.—J. F. P.

15. I add a statement showing the numbers at the close of the month and the number of children in receipt of the 3-pie bonus on each work:—

Name of the Road.	Number of Coolies on the last day of April.	Number of 3-pie Children.
<i>Sidhout Taluq.</i>		
I. Kotapand road	1,312	315
II. Relief Camp	39	9
Total	1,351	324
<i>Pullampett Taluq.</i>		
I. Rajampett, 1st Section	1,711	571
II. Do. 2nd do.	1,186	412
III. Kodoor Road	1,314	816
IV. Settigunta Road	1,691	590
V. Chitwail Road	1,568	772
VI. Do. 2nd Section	1,570	532
VII. Kodoor to Chitwail Road	676	410
Total	9,716	4,103
Grand Total	11,667	4,427

It thus appears that the 11,667 coolies were credited with 4,427 children under 7 years of age, i.e., there were 37.9 3-pie children to each 100 coolies. I gather from the census report that there are 27.5 such children to each 100 persons over 7 years in this district. It thus appears there was some fraud in this matter. Making allowance for the fact that the percentage of children is probably larger than the average among the poorest section of the population, and that many of the old and infirm were not on the works, it would probably be safe to assume that the 3-pie children should no where exceed 30 to each 100 coolies; but we have seen that the number was 37.9. The fact is that children were borrowed by the coolies, brought to the work and enrolled on the lists for the sake of the bonus. This is more clearly shown by the fact that the excess is most marked where the work is going on near large towns, e.g., on the Kodoor-Chitwail road there were 606 3-pie children per cent., that is twice the utmost limit. To check this a daily muster of the children was ordered, but it is represented that their presence hinders work, and the coolies dislike the practice. I am, therefore, about to attempt a system of tickets given to each parent after inquiry, the child and ticket being produced only on pay day.

There is no doubt about this, as has been found in several cases in other taluqs. The women when questioned have no hesitation in telling the truth. J. F. P.

This may work well. Mr. Cox makes them produce a certificate from their Raddy that the children are theirs. Neither plan will effect a complete check, but the knowledge that some measures are being taken to prevent fraud will probably put a stop to the production of excessive numbers of children.—J. F. P.

16. As the physical condition of the coolies forms the subject of separate weekly reports I need not allude to it further than to say that the condition of the old and very young is everywhere poor, especially on the works paid at the lower rate; that paid at the lower rate is generally going for the eye, but the coolies work steadily and without heart. As the higher rate has just been ordered to be paid on all works, it is hoped the condition of these coolies will improve. The recent exhaustion of dry grains in almost all the markets makes the concession the more timely. Otherwise I think a serious falling off among the coolies paid the lower rate would soon have become apparent.

17. I regret that this report has been delayed by a severe attack of fever from which I have been suffering.

Report on Famine Relief Works in the Head Assistant Collector's Division of Cuddalore for the Month of 1877.

Names of Works.	Distance in Miles.	Date of Com- mencement of Works.	EXPENDITURE FROM THE GOV- ERNMENT.		COOLIES EMPLOYED.		Name of the Officer in charge of the Work.	Remarks.
			Up to March 1877.	In April 1877.	Up to March 1877.	In April 1877.		
Sidhouth Taluq.								
1. Kotapad Road	20	26th Oct. 1876.	Rs. 24,362	Rs. 4,000	Rs. 2,05,677	Rs. 49,341	K. Krishnah, Superin- tendent.	Completed on 14th Mar. 1877.
2. Sidbout Road	From the 1st mile to the 6th mile 4th fur- long.	1st Nov. "	5,351		59,507		O. Hanumantha Row, Superintendent.	
3. Budwail Road	From 20th mile 1st furlong to the end of 26th mile.	30th " "	19,042		2,04,919		A. Narainah, Superin- tendent.	Completed on 30th Mar. 1877.
4. Relief Camp at Sidbout.		20th March 1877.	196	97	2,233	5,326	M. Rama Row, Special 2nd-class Magistrate.	Completed on 24th April 1877.
5. Repairing Supply Channel of Muchu- puli Tank.		22nd Dec. 1876.	120	25	992	147	O. Hanumantha Row, Superintendent.	Completed on 28th April 1877.
Pullampet Taluq.								
1. Rajampett Road, 1st Section.	9	16th Nov. 1876.	27,783	5,32	2,63,311	43,030	Range Officer.	
2. Do. 2nd Section.	9	16th Feb. 1877.	2,691	2,34	28,538	30,274	Do.	
3. Kodoor Road	From 57th mile 2nd furlong to the 5th furlong of the 61st mile.	9th Nov. 1876.	20,111	2,32	2,23,593	39,738	Sunjeeva Row, Superin- tendent.	
4. Kodoor to Chitwail Road.	15	24th March 1877.	425	1,32	4,810	22,447	Range Officer.	
5. Settigunta Road	From 61st mile 6th furlong to the end of 69th mile.	12th Nov. 1876.	12,413	3,61	1,33,073	46,551	T. Narain Row, Super- intendent.	

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Report on Public Relief Works in the Head Assistant Collector's Division of Chidambaram for the Month of 1877—(Continued)

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			Up to March 1877.	In April 1877.	Up to March 1877.	In April 1877.	
6. Chitwail Road, 1st Section.	3	27th Dec. 1876.	18,076	1,34,780	41,911	S. Narasinga Rao, Deputy Tahsildar of Chitwail.	
7. Chitwail to Holey Road, 2nd Section.	About 2 1/4 miles	31st March 1877.	..	..	31,251	Range Officer.	

Pulampett Taluk—(Continued).

(Signed) R. S. BENSON,
Acting Head Assistant Collector.

Extra No. 1,315.

FORWARDED for the information of the Board of Revenue. Mr. Benson's report as regards the state and conduct of the works in his division is satisfactory in every way.

2. It is to be regretted that he did not say anything in respect to the effect of the late rain, the state of the cattle and fodder. He has, however, been by no means well and has had his jamabundy work in addition to his ordinary duties.

(Signed) J. W. JOHNSTON,
Spl. Dy. Collector,
for Acting Collector.

MADANAPALLY,
4th January 1877.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. Attention is called to the excellent results obtained on the system of joint management of works by the Revenue and Public Works Departments ordered in G.O., 15th February 1877, No. 681. When the Officers willingly co-operate like Messrs. Benson and Schoury, the system is very successful.

3. The Board will express further opinion on the question of preventing fraud with regard to 3-pie children when the reports on the subject are complete. The percentage of such children accepted by Mr. Benson seems to the Board very high.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 593.

ORDER THEREON, 26th June 1877, No. 2,121.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

2. Government notice, with satisfaction the mode of carrying out works

in force in the Head Assistant's Division which is entirely in accordance with their wishes and orders.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
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Exd. T. D. Ryan.

Guadalupe

No. 2794

Revenue Department
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
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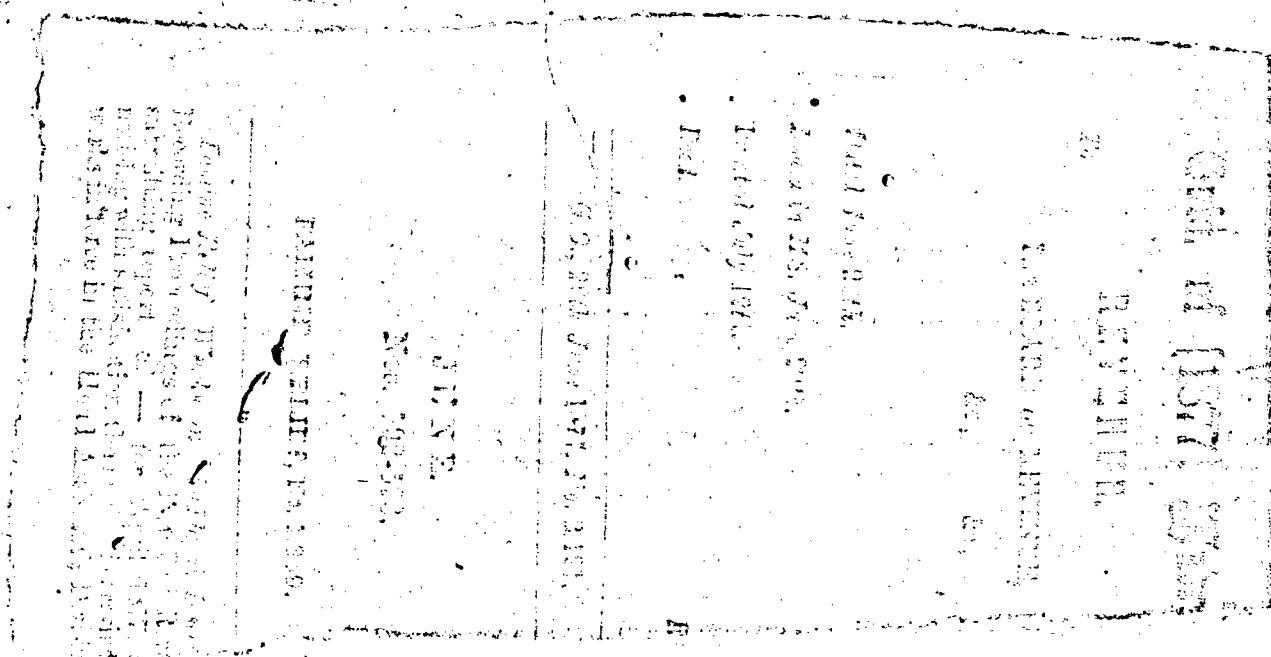
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1 st Section	2372	1609	15432	14144
2 nd Section	1084	3568	9290	17022
Total	3456	5177	24722	31236

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9. These are being carried out by
Mr. Wick, the Resident Engineer at
Chayai Bridge in direct communica-
tion with the collector. No returns

in connection with them pass through my hands but through the courtesy of Mr. West, I have had many opportunities of inspecting the work. It is very well executed and the organization and arrangements are all that can be wished. Some 1600 coolies were employed daily during the month.

10. The following statement shows the number and sanctioned cost of minor works in each Taluq. to date of this report.

They consist almost entirely of clearing, deepening and repairing old wells and digging new ones

in some places

Taluqs	Number	Sanctioned cost
Sidhant	63	1438
Pullampett	51	1804
Total	114	3242

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 Owing to the heavy rains on the 17th and 19th of this month — the water supply of the Division is now on the whole quite assured. A few villages exceptionally situated may, however still require some aid in this direction.

11. I add a statement Taluqwar of the amount of advances granted under the Land Improvement Act to date.

Taluq	Amount
Sidhant	Rs. 2850
Pullampett	Rs. 7220
Total	10,070

These are almost entirely given in sums of Rupees 50 or 100 and are expended on improving old or digging new wells. Many applications are made for advances for other purposes such as to put: chawdrain, cattle &c. - but care is taken to make the advances only where the money is likely to be spent in the manner stipulated and where the security offered is sufficient. Orders have also been issued to the Tansildars to see that the money is spent within a reasonable time on the stipulated work under pain of immediate recovery.

12. There were no changes of organization during the month but

but the old and weakly on the various works were segregated into separate gangs of inefficient on a lighter work task. Originally it was thought that the existence of a few inefficient in the gang of 50 persons would prove no hardship as the gang task was rather light. Subsequently a relaxation was made in the case of Hodoor where the coolies appeared in worse condition than elsewhere in the Taluk. More recently the concession has been extended to all gangs in the division and has operated as a very small reduction of task for all coolies.

Both hands for
to kill: who

13. The transport to the East -
Crew

Coast Canal of coolies collected by the agency of recruiters was carried on vigorously during the month. Unfortunately these measures had to be discontinued owing to the outbreak of cholera on the route. The following is a statement of the total numbers sent from my division.

Teelug	Number
Sidhant	2930
Pullampett	2927
Total	5857

No diminution however resulted in the number on the route. On the contrary the increase was steady though gradual. While I write many large numbers are streaming back over the passes

strict orders to police should be issued to the Noddies along the route and their advances should be increased. The Chitwail, Bultwail, Modoot, and Sidhant Camps should pick up any instructions to be in the box out should be issued to the Supdt of the Police.

I fear that this has been an affair of the past. After that news -

passes from Vellore. They are as a rule in wretched condition and very largely swell the relief lists of the Pullampett Taluq. As many as 100 daily were reported to pass through Chitwail last week. But a small proportion of these belong to this Taluq. Many have come from the Sub. Div. of an adjacent Taluq, especially Royachoti and Voilpanda. It is thought that a fair proportion of those sent from my division have remained at the Canal as their going was entirely voluntary and works were nowhere closed and the coolies draughted off en masse. Some have however come back to their villages or the local works complaining of the climate (water)

Cholera & while others say
the promises made to them were
not kept. Very probably the
recruiters having an interest
in the matter pointed the advantage
of the Canal in suddenly glowing
colours and disappointment
was the natural result.

14. During the month of the
relief which was commenced
only in March was extended
very widely through the agency
of the village headmen. The
following is a list of the
of the members fed on the
last day of each week in April.

Table.

Table.

		Coolies					17	
Month and date	Men	Women	Children	Total	Amount per cent			
Sidhaur Taluk								
6 th April 1877	77	83	48	208	50	15	9	
13 th — do —	176	266	117	559	116	10	10	
20 th — — —	140	156	94	390	116	5	6	
27 th — — —	178	209	124	511	207	14	6	
Total	571	714	380	1665	480	14	7	
Pulhampett Taluk								
6 th April 1877	612	602	1164	2378	705	7	5	
13 th — — —	869	1039	2038	3946	1556	3	—	
20 th — — —	930	1226	2193	4349	1777	1	8	
27 th — — —	963	1274	2175	4412	1953	9	6	
Total	3374	4141	7570	15085	5992	5	7	
Grand Total	3745	4555	7950	16250	6473	4	2	

As soon as Jains
bunch is met, expressive and it was found on enquiry
the tahildar & that the peddies had, as might
revenue inspectors who have very little have been expected, shown little
in the way of
to look after, should discretion in settling the objects for
be content to Charity. Many who could work were
inspect village fed merely on the ground of their
relief and be poverty instead of sending them to
kept working. relief works. This has now however
57/79 to a great extent been set right by
the

by the efforts of the Relief Distributors
and the principles on which the
Village relief is to be given has
been more clearly impressed

on the Noddies. At present
about 1000 have been transferred

from the villages to the four

relief camps of the Taluk and

there remain rather more than

1000 in the villages. This

cannot be considered as

excessive in a population

of 14 2000 people of whom

26864 are pariahs.

15. I add a statement showing

the number of children

of the month and the number

of children in receipt of the 3 pie

bonus

This is not
reason.

5/3/21

bonus on each work

Name of the road no. of coolies number
on the last 3 pie
day of children
April

Sidhant Taluk

I. Hotapand road	1912	315
II. Relief camp	39	9
Total	1951	324

Pullampett Taluk

I. Rajampett. 1 st Sect.	1711	571
II. do 2 ^d —	1186	412
III. Kodoor road	1314	816
IV. Sattigunta road	1691	590
V. Chitwail road	1568	772
VI. do 2 ^d section	1570	532
VII. Kodoor to Chitwail road	676	410
Total	9716	4103

Grand Total 11667 4427

It thus appears that the 11667
coolies were credited with 4427
children under 7 years of age.
That is there were 37.9 three pie
children to each 100 coolies. I
gather from the census reports
that

that there are 27.5 such children to each 100 persons over 7 years in this district. It thus appears there was some fraud in this matter. Making an allowance for the fact that the percentage of children is probably larger than the average among the poorest section of the population and that many of the able bodied infirm were not on the works, it would probably be safe to assume that the 3 pie children should no where exceed 30 to each 100.

coolies; but we have seen that the number was 37.9. The fact is that children were borrowed by the coolies, brought to the works and enrolled in the lists for the sake of the bonus. This is more clear

I have already written to Mr. Benson regarding this. Fraud is unavoidable. J. G. P.

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been by no means idle &
has had his unimpaired
work in addition to his
ordinary duties.

Ludlow 5th J. W. Johnston

Collection of the 8th by Collector
Camp. Madras
4th June 1885 Ag. Collector

Submitted for the information
of Government.

2. Attention is called to the
excellent results obtained on
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the system of joint manage-
ment of works by the Revenue
and P. W. Departments,
ordered in G. O. 15th 4th
February 1885 no. 681. When
the officers willingly co-operate
like Messrs Benson and
Schoury, the system is very
successful.

3. The Board will express further
opinion on the question of
preventing fraud with regard to
3rd children when the reports
on the subject are complete. The
percentage of such children
accepted by Mr. Benson seems to
the Board very high.

True copy, & Extract

J. W. Johnston

Secretary

To the Address: to Govt. P. W. D.
with copy of minutes

Report on Sanitary Relief Works in the Hdt. Asst.

Distance in miles	Date of completion	Suppld. line from the Government	Cost in Rupees	Cost in Annas	Cost in Paise	Remarks
1. Kolar Road	20	26th July 1877	21362	4089	205677	49841 K.R.
2. Sidhant Road	From the 1st mile to 5th mile 4th section	1st July 1877	5357	-	59507	G.H.
3. Budurail Road	From 20th mile 1st section to end of 20th mile	30th July 1877	19042	5	204919	A.C.
4. Relief Camp at Sidhant	"	20th July 1877	196	997	2233	5326 G.H.
5. Repairing supply channel of Machipalli Tank	"	22nd July 1877	120	25	992	147 G.H.
Pallurpett Taluk						
1. Rajampett Road	1st Section	16th July 1877	27783	5382	263311	43030
2. do - 2nd Section	"	16th July 1877	2601	3234	28538	30274
3. Kodur Road	From 6th mile 2nd section to the 5th section of the 6th mile	9th July 1877	20111	2352	223593	30738 S.
4. Kodur to Chittur Road	15	24th March 1877	425	1872	4810	22497
5. Sattigirra Road	From 6th mile 6th section to the end of 6th mile	12th July 1877	12413	3618	133073	46261 S.
6. Chittur Road	1st Section	27th July 1877	13076	3463	134780	41911 S.
7. Chittur to Sattigirra Road - 2nd Section	About 2 1/2 miles	31st March 1877	-	3136	-	31257

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(22) J. W. Johnston.

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For a list of 1875

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1. The first step in the process of identifying a problem is to recognize that a problem exists. This is often done by comparing current performance with a desired state or goal. If there is a significant difference, a problem is identified.

Collier Division of Budapest for the month of 1877

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Remarks.

Amiah, Lupton

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Completed on 11th March 1877

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