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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

30th July 1877, No. 2,402-B.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 555-C. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th July 1877.

Read the following letter from A. J. STUART, Esq., Sub-Collector, to J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated Ghattu, 1st July 1877.

I HAVE the honor to report having, in company with Lieutenant Money, inspected 6,128 coolies during the past week distributed over six different works in various parts of the Manapully Taluq.

The coolies were separated into five classes by Lieutenant Money, who is better accustomed to this work than I am, and whose judgment in the matter appeared to me to be very fair and sound.

The classes stand as follows:—

—	Good.	Fair.	In- different.	Bad.	Very bad.	Total.
Men	587	1,106	526	18	...	2,237
Women	786	1,774	630	30	1	3,221
Children	118	382	130	35	5	670
Total ...	1,491	3,262	1,286	83	6	6,128

It will be seen that upwards of 50 per cent. on the whole are in fair condition, more than 20 per cent. good, a little over 20 per cent. indifferent, only $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. bad, and only $\frac{1}{10}$ per cent. very bad. I do not know what these people were like a month ago, but it appeared to me throughout the examinations that there was very little to show the presence of famine amongst the coolies on the relief-works. Occasional specimens, more particularly among children, showed at once that they had suffered from this cause, but the conclusion from the whole was inevitable that the people on the works are well enough provided for, and in no danger whatever, except in occasional cases, from the effects of previous sufferings. Still Lieutenant Money thinks that there is a marked improvement in all classes on the gangs. This is due, he thinks, partly to wages being more regularly paid and to the increased rate of payment. All gangs having been broken up and works stopped to compel coolies to emigrate to Nellore since I last inspected these gangs, it is, of course, impossible for me to say how many of the present coolies were then on these works; the coolies, however, as a whole, are in a far better condition than they then were.

Children as usual show the least passable percentage of bad cases, not, however, amounting to more than 6 per cent. of their number. I would suggest allowing individual cases, such as those entered above as "bad" or "very bad," the same wages as is given to women. This course was followed under recent Government Orders with three-pie children; those found by us in a reduced state were ordered

to receive 6 Pies in future. The nourishing mothers and their infants examined were on the whole satisfactory. There can be no doubt that their allowance is sufficient; and now that they are to have the 3 Pies for their infants, in addition to being paid as men, they will, in all cases not already badly reduced, be amply provided for.

I regret that comparatively few three-pie children were examined, but our visit being intentionally sudden, with a view to satisfying ourselves that no fraud was going on, it was often not possible to get at the three-pie children who have to be brought up from the villages to be inspected. I will ask Lieutenant Money to see them the next time he goes round the works. No reports have yet been received from other taluqs; when received they will be forwarded.

Extra No. 1,817.

SUBMITTED for the information of the Board of Revenue.

2. The results of Mr. Stuart's examination bear out those of that separately made by me, which will be forwarded to the Board to-day.

3. There is no doubt that the coolies are improving in condition under the operation of increased wages and more regular payment.

4. It must be remembered, in considering Mr. Stuart's report, that nearly all the gangs inspected by him had previously been gone over by me and the very bad cases sent to village or camp relief.

MADANAPALLI,
7th July 1877.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Acting Collector.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. The order alluded to in the Sub-Collector's letter, authorizing the grant of 6 Pies to children on works in a reduced state, has not been communicated to the Board.

3. Mr. Stuart should number his paragraphs for facility of reference.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 555-D.

ORDER THEREON, 30th July 1877, No. 2,402-B.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

2. The condition of the coolies seems satisfactory.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Sanitary Commissioner.
„ the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.

Middlesex
Revenue Department

No 3400

Proceedings of the Board of Rev.
Dated 20th July 1877

Read the following

From

A. J. Smart Esquire
Subcollector of Middlesex

To, J. J. Price Esquire
Ag. Collector of Middlesex

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Colt. of 1877

REVENUE.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Esq., Esq., Esq.

Dated July 30th.

Issued in MS. August 7th.

Present August 14th.

Recd.

Encl.

MS. 30th July 1877, No. 2,402-B.

JULY

No. 555-C-555-D.

TAMING REVENUE, No. 1503-06.

Notes of Coole's in the Middlesex Sub-Division.
Regarding Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
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Guddap Sub Colliery
Office. Camp. Shattu
1st July 1877.

Have &c
S^r. J. J. Stuart
Sub Collector

/ True Copy /

No. 1817. Extra.

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Madras Collector's Office
Camp Madrasputty
July 7th 1885
J. Frederick Price
Asst. Collector

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/ True Copy & Extract /

W. G. Allen
Ag. Secretary

To

The Addl. Secretary to Govt.

Revenue Department

W. G. Allen
Ag. Secretary
M. Arthanarayana
Asst. Secy

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17 Aug/77.