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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

30th July 1877, No. 2,403-B.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 557-C. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th July 1877.

Read the following letter from F. A. NICHOLSON, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector of Ramnad, to W. McQUHAE, Esq., Collector of Madura, dated 10th July 1877, No. 356.

I HAVE the honor to submit the report for June on famine operations in the Sivagunga Zemindari.

Name of Tank.	Num-ber on 2nd.	Num-ber on 16th.	Num-ber on 30th.	Expen-diture during the Month.	Expen-diture to the end of the Month.
Cambigudi (allotment 4,000).	148	451	160	RS. 1,150	RS. 9,105
Nettur (allotment 4,500).	188	209	357	920	1,290

2. *Relief Works.*—The Cambigudi and Nettur tanks were in hand throughout the month; the expenditure, &c., was as per table annexed. The Cambigudi tank being just finished, Manamadura tank has been set in hand. Other estimates are ready and sanctioned.

3. *Gratuitous Relief Camps.*—Camps were open at Sivagunga, Mangalum, Manamadura, and Tirupatoor. Mangalum being very far from any possible superintendence, was closed on the 9th June. Its inmates (281 in number) were transferred to Sivagunga and Manamadura. Some,

Camps.	Num-ber on 2nd.	Num-ber on 16th.	Num-ber on 30th.	Expen-diture during Month.	Expen-diture to end of Month.
Sivagunga ...	553	1,051	947	3,368	4,531
Manamadura.	206	427	960	1,370	1,980
Tirupatoor ...	2	229	369	883	890
Mangalum ...	400	...	...	160	687

however, refused to join either of these camps. A camp was opened at Tirupatoor, and has now 370 inmates. The table noted in the margin shows the number of inmates at various periods of the month; also the expenditure during and to the end of the month. Health was good, save from a slight outbreak of what was called cholera in Sivagunga and Tirupatoor, simultaneous with the introduction

of the new and rich diet ordered by G.O., No. 1,648, dated 5th May 1877. Numbers are rapidly increasing, owing (1) to considerable famine pressure and (2) to the attractions of the new scale of diet. The inmates are almost entirely the aged, the young, the diseased, and women wholly or temporarily deserted by their male relatives. Few cases of real present starvation are found, but the majority of the camp inmates would starve if not received.

4. *Village Relief.*—This form has not been adopted to any extent in this division; the paupers readily come to camp in most cases. Under recent orders, however, the system of money dole is being attempted, but the recipients must continue to live at the centres where camps are established.

5. *Relief Inspectors.*—Four Inspectors are at work as usual.

6. *Condition of People.*—I fear that the people in the Sivagunga Magistrate's Division are in considerable straits. Ornaments are rapidly disappearing, and the supply of gold enables the Chetties to get a large profit; gold has fallen very considerably, and is being largely exported to Bombay and other parts. The supplies of straw and grass at weekly markets appear to me considerably less, showing both that the straw ricks are becoming exhausted and the pasture is failing. The ragi crops, which were very largely sown as a kodai crop throughout the division in May, are in some cases becoming shavi; some indeed have been reaped, some are about to be, some have still a few days' supply of water in the tanks, and some have been benefited by very recent showers, but a good deal is likely to wither if rain does not soon fall; good showers generally would revive the crops and hope. Cholum has been largely a failure in Elliangudi Taluq as in other parts of the district. Emigration continued briskly throughout the month; numbers who left Sivagunga Zemindari for Ceylon *via* Devipatam being 853. Cholera has been bad at Devipatam and occasionally in other parts.

No. 453.

SUBMITTED to the Board of Revenue. The failure of the cholum crop has greatly discouraged people, and if the ragi, which is also extensively cultivated, does not produce a fair crop, the distress will be very great, and it will be difficult effectually to meet it.

MADURA,
13th July 1877.

(Signed) W. McQUHAE,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The loss of the cholum crop and prospective loss of the ragi must be very disheartening to the people.

3. The report gives no information regarding the cost of work done; this should be noticed in future.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 557-D. ORDER THEREON, 30th July 1877, No. 2,403-B.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

2. The report is meagre.

3. The grounds on which the inmates of the camp at Mangalum refused to join either of the camps at Manamadura or Sivagunga should have been stated, as it would seem to indicate slight distress.

4. The statement that the recipients of money dole "must continue to live at the centres where camps are established" seems to show that the object of the money-dole system, viz., the relief of the distress in their own villages, is not understood as it should be. The Collector's attention is drawn to the subject.

5. The loss of the cholum crop is matter for serious uneasiness.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Financial Department.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

Revenue Department

No: 3389

Proceedings of the Board of Res.
dated 20th July 1877

Read the following:

No: 356

From,

The Ag. Head Asst. Collector
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To, The Collector of Madras.

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Collis office } Sd J. A. Nicholson
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H. Asst (Mr)

(True copy)

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True copy of S. M. De Dubae

Ch. L. L.
Ag: Secretary

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To,
The Addl. Secretary to
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