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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

14th September 1877, No. 2,733.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 263. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd September 1877.

Read the following letter from H. T. ROSS, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector, to J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector of Bellary, dated Madaksira, 4th August 1877, No. 655.

I HAVE the honor to report briefly on famine relief operations in my division up to the end of July in continuation of my letter, No. 579, dated 18th ultimo, which brought the narrative to the end of June.

2. Another of the irrigation repairs was completed in this month, and no fresh work has been opened in its stead. The remainder progress, and I hope next month to report several of them as finished.

3. The steady improvement which began in these taluqs at the end of May, and showed itself in the gradual diminution of numbers on State relief, has, I am sorry to say, received a check on account of the continued absence of rain, as I half anticipated in my last narrative report. The total number of persons employed on works rose from 9,410 at the beginning to 11,799 at the end of July; the total number relieved gratuitously in camps or villages rose from 10,051 to 12,844 (this including "inefficients" discharged from works). The number of 3-pie children, however, owing to greater care, was reduced from 1,901 to 1,365 on paper. On the whole, however, the rise is not great; and at the end of July there were only 10·13 per cent. of the population of the division on the hands of Government.

4. In the administration of works the only change has been the discontinuance of "inefficient" gangs, such persons being now relegated to their villages with tickets for the money-dole. In the system of gratuitous relief the camps have been retained only as abodes for the sick, for wanderers, and for paupers of other districts awaiting deportation. By the end of July all local residents of camps who could be moved were sent to their villages for the dole.

5. The rain-fall in July was $4\frac{1}{2}$ ounces in Pennakonda Taluq, 9 ounces in Hindupur, and 8 ounces in Madaksira. Some of the cholum crops under wells were harvested, and a very considerable extent of ground brought under cultivation. The young "dry" crops have in a few places withered, but for the most part, though somewhat poor, they are still safe. Other crops are in good condition, and at the end of July ploughing and transplanting were still going on. Pasturage is abundant, and owing to the cutting of the cholum crops fodder is procurable to some extent. The surviving cattle are therefore well off. The water-supply is plentiful. In fact, easier prices are about all we want now.

SUBMITTED to the Board of Revenue. The Head Assistant Collector's Division was as badly off as the rest of the district for rain in the month of July, and did not have the showers which fell elsewhere at the end of the month and in the beginning of August.

KUDLIGHI,
20th August 1877.

(Signed) J. H. MASTER,
Collector.

Revenue Department, 14*th September* 1877, *No.* 2,733.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The taluqs under the Head Assistant Collector present a pleasing contrast to many other parts of the district. From paragraph 4 it appears that the administration of gratuitous relief is in accordance with the orders of Government. The report furnishes no particulars regarding the cost of work executed; the omission should be supplied in the next monthly report.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 264. ORDER THEREON, 14th September 1877, No. 2,733.

Miscellaneous. RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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REVENUE.
To BOARD of REVENUE.
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 18th Sept. 187

Read the following:—

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From Jno. A. Sd. Asst. Collr.
of Bellary.

To The Collector of Bellary.

Sir,

I have the honor to report briefly on Famine Relief operations in my Division up to the end of July, in continuation of my letter no 579 dated 18th ultimo which brought the narrative to the end of June.

2. Another of the irrigation works was completed in this month and no fresh work has been opened in its stead. The remainder progress, and I hope next month to report several of them as finished.

3. The steady improvement which began in most Talugs at the end of May and showed itself in the gradual diminution of numbers on Relief has, I am sorry to say, received a check on account of the continued absence of rain, as I half anticipated in my last narrative report. The total number of persons employed on the works rose from 9,500 at the beginning to 11,779 at the end of July; the total number relieved gratuitously in Camps and villages rose from 10,057 to 12,864 (this including inefficients discharged from works). The number of Pie Children, however owing to Feasts &c, has reduced from 1901 to 1865 on paper. On the whole, however, the rise is not great, and at the end of July there were only 10.13 per cent of the population of the Division on the hands of Govt.

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5. The rainfall in July was 4½ inches in Pemmaranda Taluq, 9 inches in Nandupur, and 8 inches in Madakkira. Some of the Chenam crops under water were harvested, and a very considerable extent of ground brought under cultivation. The young "dry" crops have in a few places withered but for the most part though somewhat poor, they are still safe. Other crops are in good condition, and at the end of July ploughing and transplanting were still going on. Rabi work is advanced and sowing ... of the Chenam crops for this is procurable ... some extent. The surviving cattle are therefore well off. The water supply is plentiful. In fact, ... prices are about all we want now.

A.C. and Collr's office
Camp Madakkira
the 2nd August 1877

I have &c.
Sd/ N. J. Rae
Asst to the Collr.

/True Copy/

Submitted. The A.C. and Collr's ... was on duty in the West of the District for ... in the month of July, and did not have the Shanars which fell therefore at the end of the month and the beginning of August.

Camp Kudaiyur
dated 2nd August 1877

Sd/ D. K. Bradell
Collector.

Submitted for the information of Govt.

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/True Copy & Extract/

C. Glass
Acting Secretary.

To The Addl. Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

Rev 1877 Dept.

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Number above be paid.

D/g

Submitting with observations Bellary Dist. as to Col.'s report on Famine relief operations to the end of July 1877 in Anna Sundah.

Board of Rev.
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