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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

3rd May 1877, No. 1407.

[Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 27. *From W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq, Collector of North Arcot, to the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, dated Gudiattam, 14th April 1877, No. 50.*

I have the honor, in accordance with the instructions conveyed in G.O., No. 1054, dated 24th ultimo, to report that I do not consider the establishment of a grain Depôt at Vencatagherry Kotah advisable, because, as I have already reported, the grain would have to be carried nearly twenty-five miles by road from the Cooppan Railway Station to the Mysore frontier. The last three and-a-half miles of the road are in bad order, and are about to be repaired as a relief work. This long cartage would add very greatly to the cost of the grain when delivered in the Mysore territory.

2. On the other hand, by carrying the grain to the new Railway Station at Camasandra, only twelve miles west of Cooppan, and to the Kolar and Malloor stations, which are the adjoining stations on the Bangalore branch, it would be deposited cheaply and quickly in the heart of the Kdar District and with an excellent system of roads for its conveyance to outlying villages.

3. I enclose for the inspection of Government a sketch map of the roads in the Kolar District (to be returned when no longer required), from which the Government will perceive how much more readily that portion of the country may be supplied from the Railway running through it than from this district by road.

4. The trunk road from Bangalore to Madras enters this district fourteen miles west of Palmanair, but there is no village or town in the vicinity where a depôt could be established, and to be laid there the grain would have to be carted twenty-six miles from Gudiattam, of which seven miles is steep ghaut, and then fourteen miles on to the frontier. After giving the matter my careful consideration, I am, therefore, not prepared to recommend a grain depôt on the frontier of this district for the supply of the adjacent Mysore country.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 3rd May 1877, No. 1407.

The Collector of North Arcot appears to have entirely misapprehended the intention of G.O., dated 24th March 1877, No. 1054, which was to ascertain whether, in view of the possibility of the demand from Mysore denuding the markets on the Madras side of the frontier of grain, it is desirable to maintain a Government Reserve Depôt in the neighbourhood to guard against deficient supplies for the inhabitants of the district.

2. The Collector would seem to contemplate providing for the exigencies of Mysore, which is not the intention of Government.

3. With the foregoing remarks, the Collector is again requested to report his opinion on the point referred to him in G.O., dated 24th March 1877, No. 1054.

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Offg. Chief Secretary.

D. F. Carmichael

Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Collector of North Arcot.
" Revenue (Famine) Department.
" Board of Revenue.

Encl. J. W. Fischer.

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To THE COLLECTOR OF
NORTH ARCOT,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated May, 3rd.

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G.O., 3rd May 1877, No. 1407.

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Private Relief.—The Collector of North Arcot
again requested to report on the point referred to
him in G.O., dated 24th March 1877, No. 1054,
relative to the provision of a Government Reservoir
Depot in the neighbourhood of Mysore.

24th May 77