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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

28th September 1877, No. 3,008.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 812. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th September 1877.

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THE relief reports for the Kistna and Kurnool Districts for the week ending 8th September will be submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 14th September 1877, No. 4,314. The returns for the former are incomplete, the very heavy rain which recently fell having delayed the transmission of the reports from the five taluqs marginally noted.

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Palnad,
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Sattenapalli, and
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2. *Prices and Rainfall.*—In the Kistna District prices seem almost stationary as far as can be judged from the limited number of quotations. Rain fell throughout the district, the falls ranging from ½ an inch to 5½ inches in the taluqs for which returns have been received. In the Kistna District there was a marked fall in prices in the Head Assistant's Division and there was also a decline in the prices of dry grains at Koilkuntla; elsewhere in the district there was no material change. In this district also there was abundant rain everywhere, the average throughout being 3·65 inches; agricultural operations are being briskly carried on.

3. *Relief Works.*—The numbers employed in the *Kistna* District have fallen off considerably, being only 5,904 against 7,211 in the week before; this is due partly to the rains and partly to the transfer of coolies from the Commamur Canal to the Kistna embankment. It is observed, however, that the number telegraphed was 13,700; the discrepancy should have been explained. The numbers in the *Kurnool* District were as follow :—

Taluqs.	1st Sept.	8th Sept.	——
Ramalkota	31,871	30,281	— 1,590
Nandikotkur	20,149	19,374	— 775
Nandial	22,311	24,167	+ 1,856
Sirwell	19,759	16,905	— 2,854
Koilkuntla	24,385	23,008	— 1,377
Pattikonda	22,778	22,173	— 605
Cumbum	42,371	41,330	— 1,041
Markapur	17,986	14,335	— 3,661
Total ...	201,610	191,573	— 10,037

The decrease is considerable and general; it is due chiefly to the late heavy rains and also in some measure to the relegation of infirm coolies; the increase in Nandial is owing to the returns of the previous week being defective. The enhanced scale of wages was in force everywhere.

4. The following abstract shows numbers on works supervised by the Department of Public Works :—

Taluqs.	Number of Works.	Outlay.		Number of Coolies.
		In the Week.	To the end of the Week.	
		Rs.	Rs.	
Ramalkota		3,098	1,79,281	3,966
Nandikotkur		11,256	3,99,291	19,374
Nandial		10,640	3,14,510	12,888
Sirwell		12,110	5,31,139	16,905
Koilkuntla		...	3,798	...
Pattikonda		7,652	80,287	12,835
Markapur		...	1,316	...
Total ...	72	44,756	15,09,622	65,968

The statement shows a large falling off in Sirwell and a considerable increase in Pattikonda.

5. *Gratuitous Relief.*—The returns for the *Kistna* District are so incomplete that no comparison with the preceding week is possible. The figures for Kurnool are shown below :—

Taluqs.	Sept.	8th Sept.	—
Ramalkota	847	28,781	+ 2,934
Nandikotkur	895	15,460	+ 2,565
Nandial	011	11,850	+ 839
Sirwell	039	11,230	— 1,809
Koilkuntla	867	9,918	— 949
Pattikonda	986	10,952	+ 1,966
Cumbum	128	19,616	— 512
Markapur	024	6,164	+ 140
Tot	797	108,971	+ 5,174
In camps and relief houses	790	25,031	— 759
In villages	726	51,588	+ 7,932
Three-pie children ...	51	32,352	— 1,999

The large increase under the h ge relief is due to relegation from works and camps, and the reduction s on works accounts for the falling off in the number of children receiv ence allowance. The total number of deaths was 534, the exceptionally ality in Ramalkota still continuing; deaths among three-pie children n 18. The mortality in camps and villages, respectively, was 292 and or in the ratio of 599 and 245 per mille per annum. The expenditure us relief was Rupees 43,562 during the week and Rupees 5,25,292 up to the week.

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

Revenue Department, 28*th September* 1877, *No.* 3,003.

Statement showing the Statistics of Gratuitous Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the Week ending Saturday, the 8th September 1877.

| Districts. | Taluqs. | In Camps and Relief-houses. | | | | | | | | Village Relief. | | | | | | | |

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District.	Taluq.	Grants of Funds sanctioned for Relief-works up to 8th September 1877.	Probable Cost of Works of Note sanctioned but their execution.	Outlay on Works in progress		Outlay since the commencement of Distress	Number of Coolies employed on the last Day of the Week.			
				In the Week.	To the end of the Week.	On Relief-works.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Karnool.	Ramalkota ..	Rs. ..	Rs. ..	Rs. [illegible]	Rs. [illegible]	Rs. 14,61,909	10,009	14,428	5,844	30,281
	Nandikotkur ..	..	..	[illegible]	81,969	4,26,340	6,417	8,839	4,118	19,374
	Nandial ..	..	..	[illegible]	72,324	9,30,461	7,863	11,465	4,839	24,167
	Sirsell ..	..	..	10	46,461	5,15,603	5,804	8,151	2,950	16,905
	Kodikonda ..	..	..	[illegible]	15,603	8,57,625	5,722	14,813	2,973	23,008
	Pattikonda ..	..	..	[illegible]	62,625	6,26,387	7,176	11,781	3,217	22,173
	Gumbum ..	..	..	[illegible]	26,387	11,53,121	18,622	18,281	4,427	41,330
	Markapur ..	..	..	[illegible]	53,121	2,90,650	5,413	6,551	2,371	14,335
	Total ..	67,21,000	..	10,217	2,90,650	63,56,256	67,025	93,809	30,739	191,573
Kistna.	Repetla ..	..	65,000	5,161	1,36,610	1,36,930	1,039	2,101	1,403	5,443
	Dewada ..	..	30,000	Not reported.	17,093	8,689				
	Bendar ..	..	..	378	499	17,093	Not reported.			
						6,435				
	Total ..	90,000	95,000	5,539	1,54,202	1,69,644	499	235	169	66
							2,174	2,261	1,469	5,904

Revenue Board Office, Madras,
18th September 1877.

C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 813. ORDER THEREON, 28th September 1877, No. 3,008.

Miscellaneous.

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(...act.)

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

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

Encl. C. Howarth.

RELIEF REPORTS FOR KISTNA AND KURNOOL.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Talaqs.	1st Sept.	8th Sept.	——
Ramalakota ..	21,871	20,847	+ 2,954
Nandikotkur ..	20,449	12,395	+ 2,667
Nandial ..	22,311	11,011	+ 839
Nirvoll ..	19,752	13,039	— 1,809
Koilkonda ..	24,685	16,867	— 942
Pattikonda ..	27,378	8,986	+ 1,066
Cumbum ..	46,874	20,128	— 512
Markapur ..	17,000	6,024	+ 110
Total ..	201,010	109,297	+ 5,174

The decrease is considerable and general; it is due chiefly to the late heavy rains and also in some measure to the relegation of infirm coolies; the increase in Nandial is owing to the returns of the previous week being defective. The enhanced scale of wages was in force everywhere.

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Talugs.	Number of Works.	Outlay		Number of Coolies.
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		Rs.	Rs.	
Ramankota ..	18	3,098	1,70,231	3,966
Nandikotkur ..	10	11,246	3,99,291	19,374
Nandial ..	6	10,646	3,14,510	12,888
Nirvoll ..	7	12,110	6,91,139	16,995
Koilkonda ..	3	..	3,798	..
Pattikonda ..	27	7,662	89,287	12,836
Markapur ..	1	..	1,316	..
Total ..	72	44,756	15,09,622	66,908

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Koilkonda ..	16,867	9,918	— 942
Pattikonda ..	8,986	10,952	+ 1,066
Cumbum ..	20,128	19,616	— 512
Markapur ..	6,024	6,134	+ 110
Total ..	1,03,797	1,08,971	+ 5,174
Classes and Relief.			
Coolies ..	25,790	25,031	— 759
Villagers ..	43,930	51,852	+ 7,922
Female Children ..	34,077	32,352	— 1,725

The large increase under the head of villagers is due to relegation from works and camps. The reduction of numbers on works accounts

for the falling off in the number of children receiving subsistence allowance. The total number of deaths was 534, the exceptionally heavy mortality in Ramalkota still continuing; deaths among three-pie children numbered 18. The mortality in camps and villages, respectively, was 292 and 224 deaths, or in the ratio of 599 and 243 per mille per annum. The expenditure on gratuitous relief was Rupees 43,562 during the week and Rupees 5,25,292 up to the end of the week.

(True Extract.)

C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

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Statement showing the Statistics of Gratuitous Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the Week ending Saturday the 8th September 1877.

Taluks.	Number of Relief Centres.	Number relieved on the last day of the Week.				Expenditure in the Week.	Deaths reported amongst persons in receipt of Gratuitous Relief.	Number relieved on the last day of the Week.				Expenditure in the Week.	Deaths reported amongst persons in receipt of Gratuitous Relief.
		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.			Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.		
		In Cases are Famine-stricken.						Not famine-stricken.					
Vellore.	11	1,777	2,033	1,573	5,383	1,165	3	1,777	2,033	1,573	5,383	1,165	3
Arcot.	11	2,033	2,413	2,099	6,545	1,230	2	2,033	2,413	2,099	6,545	1,230	2
Chittoor.	11	2,466	2,787	2,419	7,672	1,482	3	2,466	2,787	2,419	7,672	1,482	3
Cuddapah.	11	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3
Nellore.	11	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3
Total.	55	12,220	14,127	12,091	38,438	7,359	14	12,220	14,127	12,091	38,438	7,359	14
Vellore.	11	1,777	2,033	1,573	5,383	1,165	3	1,777	2,033	1,573	5,383	1,165	3
Arcot.	11	2,033	2,413	2,099	6,545	1,230	2	2,033	2,413	2,099	6,545	1,230	2
Chittoor.	11	2,466	2,787	2,419	7,672	1,482	3	2,466	2,787	2,419	7,672	1,482	3
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Arcot.	11	2,033	2,413	2,099	6,545	1,230	2	2,033	2,413	2,099	6,545	1,230	2
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Cuddapah.	11	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3
Nellore.	11	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3
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Cuddapah.	11	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3
Nellore.	11	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3	2,972	3,447	3,000	9,419	1,741	3
Total.	55	12,220	14,127	12,091	38,438	7,359	14	12,220	14,127	12,091	38,438	7,359	14

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		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.				
Kurnool.	Ramalkota ..	..	..	20,943	13,[illegible]069	14,61,969	16,000	14,423	5,844	36,231
	Nandikotkur ..	..	..	17,256	[illegible]723	4,95,340	6,417	8,039	4,118	18,474
	Nandial ..	..	..	18,936	[illegible]461	9,20,461	7,803	11,405	4,839	24,147
	Sirwell ..	..	..	12,145	[illegible]693	5,46,693	5,804	8,151	2,950	16,905
	Koilkuntla ..	..	..	19,422	8,62,635	8,62,635	5,722	14,313	2,973	23,008
	Pattikondah ..	..	..	15,601	6,26,387	6,26,387	7,175	11,781	3,217	22,173
	Cumbum ..	..	..	34,198	11,58,121	11,63,121	18,622	18,231	4,427	41,330
	Markapur ..	..	..	10,217	2,90,650	2,90,650	5,413	6,661	2,371	14,235
	Total ..	87,21,000	..	1,44,628	32,43,940	63,66,256	67,025	93,809	30,739	191,573
Kistna.	Bapatla ..	..	65,000	5,161	1,35,610	1,36,930 / 8,689	1,939	2,101	1,403	5,443
	Bezwada ..	..	30,000	Not reported.	17,093	17,093 / 6,433	Not reported.			
	Bandar ..	..	..	178	499	499	235	160	66	461
	Total ..	90,000	95,000	5,339	1,54,202	1,69,644	2,174	2,261	1,469	5,904

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C. A. GALTON,
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