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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

25th July 1883.

Familial Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 174. From Colonel W. S. DREVER, Commissioner of Police, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 24th July 1877, No. 107.

In submitting the Town Relief-camps Returns for week ending 21st July I have the honor to intimate that, owing to the various transfers to their villages and works in the town, some degree of confusion has arisen as to the districtwar numbers of fresh admissions at Tondiarpet, and I am consequently unable to furnish that Return for the week.

2. There have been no admissions to the Red Hills Camp and eight only at Yeddacancherry, practically therefore the changes by transfer and admissions have been restricted to the Tondiarpet and Monegar Choultry Camps. The population of both these was on the 14th July 6,830, of which 1,493 have been transferred during the week.

3. Their joint population on the 21st being 7,294, the difference, viz., 1,957, is the number admitted therein during this interval.

4. That the distress in the town is rapidly increasing the Government are probably well aware.

5. The existing camps are dangerously crowded, and I have 8,173 on relief-works as per attached statement. The District Engineer reports that he could employ 5,000 to 6,000 more laborers on the Cooum Shoals Project, and, unless some such work be found for those in search of employment, we shall ere long no doubt find people dying in the streets.

6. There has during the week been a rise in prices, third-sort rice having reached four measures per Rupee. This has been followed by some uneasiness in the bazaars, and in one or two places slight panics have ensued among grain retail dealers. Precautionary measures have, however, been taken, and I am hopeful the crisis may be tidied over should prices not further go up.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

STATEMENT showing the Number of Paupers employed on undermentioned Works for Week ending Saturday, the 21st day of July 1877.

	Junction Canal Work.	Cooum Shoals.	Powder Mills.	Merchants' Magazine.	Vasarpady Tank.	Expense Magazine.	Total.
Chepauk Camp ..	1,659	642	..	..	..	..	2,301
Perambore Camp ..	..	..	2,496	..	..	..	2,496
Manally Bridge Camp ..	..	..	..	..	..	674	674
Yeddacancherry Camp ..	..	..	..	..	567	..	567
Salt Cotaar Camp ..	..	507	1,030	598	..	..	2,135
Grand Total ..	1,659	1,149	3,526	598	567	674	8,173

MADRAS,
24th July 1877.

(Signed) W. S. DREVER, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

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No. 175. ORDER THEREON, 25th July 1877, No. 1983.

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(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Chief Secretary.

H. B. Smith

Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of Police.
" Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Madras.
" Revenue (Famine) Department.
" Board of Revenue.
" Public Works Department.

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