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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

20th July 1878, No. 1,112.

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4. *Paragraph 12 of Government Order.*—From the report since received from the Collector of Ganjam it appears that of the total expenditure incurred on account of public works in Ganjam Rupees 14,193 were on account of irrigation works, Rupees 25,134 on account of communications, Rupees 5,647 for buildings, and Rupees 9,012 for establishments, &c. There is a discrepancy between the above figures and those given by the Accountant-General, and the Collector has been requested to explain the matter.

5. *Paragraph 13 of Government Order.*—The Court await the Collector's report on Mr. Grahame's proposals regarding revision of assessment in certain villages the assessment on which was considered too heavy. He is requested to explain the difficulty in entering the actual extent of cultivation in Statement No. 2 for the estates in his district; when the actual cultivation is not known, it seems to the Court that it would be misleading simply to exclude the extent of waste on which remissions may have been granted and show a residue which would not represent anything in particular.

6. *Paragraph 14 of Government Order.*—The Collector's attention is drawn to paragraph 14 of the Government Order, and he is requested to expedite the despatch of the report called for in paragraph 14 of the Court's Proceedings, 8th June 1877, No. 2,665.

7. *Paragraph 15 of Government Order.*—The Collector of Nellore is requested to report on the education of the sisters of the Chundi minors. The Court observe that the two eldest were already married and had probably gone to live with their husbands. The other two are aged fifteen and eleven respectively, and female teachers apparently cannot be found for them.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT, 20th JULY 1878, No. 1,112.

No. 222.

ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1878, No. 1,112.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

to the Court of Ward.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

No. 1,559.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COURT OF WARDS, dated 11th June 1878.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 1st April 1878, No. 500, Revenue Department:—

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ABSTRACT.—Submitting to Government report of Court of Wards on the management of the estates of incapacitated proprietors for Fasli 1285.

Proceedings of the Court of Wards, dated 22nd August 1877, Miscellaneous No. 11,732.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting to Government letters from Collectors of Nellore and Madura reporting on the progress of the minors of the Chundi and Ramnad, &c., Estates.

Miscellaneous.

THE first paper recorded above contains the report by the Court of Wards on the administration of the estates of incapacitated proprietors for Fasli 1285 corresponding with the Revenue year ending 30th June 1876. The Government will briefly pass under review the most salient points.

2. In Fasli 1284, or the year preceding, there were 32 estates under the Court's management. One of these, Agraharam in the Tanjore District, was made over to its proprietors at the close of that year, while three estates (in Vizagapatam, Chingleput, and South Canara, respectively) were newly brought under the Court's supervision during the year under review. The present report, therefore, embraces the transactions of 34 estates, exclusive of Chinnamanaiken Polliem in South Arcot, which was for a short time under management, but was restored to the proprietrix at her own desire. The omission to include this estate in the Court's report is to be regretted; and the Collector's explanation of the absence of the requisite information is not satisfactory.

3. During the year the estates of Barwah in Ganjam and Aghayarayangudi in Tanjore were made over to their owners, leaving under the Court's management at the close of the year 32 properties.

4. In the ryotwar villages comprised in the several estates the rent-paying area aggregated 802,000 acres. This is exclusive of the estates in South Canara and Malabar, and of two in Vizagapatam, where the actual extent of holding is not known. The total net land-revenue demand in all estates, including Government assessment, amounted to Rs. 21,81,902 as particularized below:—

	DRY.		WET.		TOTAL.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Total holdings	688,911	8,19,141	113,090	5,28,984	802,001	14,06,506
Of this the actual cultivation was ..	679,859	8,00,321	110,526	5,18,972	790,385	13,19,293
And percentage of cultivation to holdings	98.7	97.7	97.8	98.1	98.5	97.8

To the assessment on the holding as above given, viz. ...	Rs. 14,06,506
Should be added—	
Fasli and Tirwajasti or additional assessment on second crop and on wet crop raised on dry land ...	12,365
Miscellaneous Revenue ...	8,20,511
Total ...	22,39,382
Add demand on account of the estates in Malabar not included in the figures above given ...	28,231
Also excess demand in Aghayarayangudi estate, for which particulars of wet and dry are not known ...	1,900
	22,69,513
Deduct remissions ...	87,611
Net demand ...	21,81,902

The miscellaneous revenue, amounting, as shown above, to Rs. 8,20,511, is derived from the following, viz. :—

1. Rents of lands.
2. Value of amani or home cultivation.
3. Assessment on peramboke cultivation.
4. Sale proceeds of trees, fruit, straw, grass, manure, &c.
5. Forest and jungle produce.
6. Assessment, jodi, or quit-rent on Inams.
7. Rent of topes, &c.
8. Land-cess.

As regards the Aghayarayangudi Estate, the demand is not correctly given. It is shown at Rs. 1,834 in Statement 2 and at Rs. 3,734 in Statement 4; the discrepancy has, however, been noticed by the Court, who have called for explanation.

* Procs., 27th Jan. 1877, No. 340, paragraph 2.

5. Out of the entire demand as shown above the sum of Rs. 15,35,582 was collected within the year, while Rs. 5,21,865 were realized and Rs. 1,35,930 remitted of the arrears of previous years, which amounted to Rs. 10,40,772, thus leaving at the close of the year a balance under current and arrears of Rs. 10,29,296, subsequently reduced by further collections and remissions to Rs. 5,10,926. The subjoined table exhibits these details for each estate and the ratio of the outstanding balance to the total demand :—

District.	Estate.	Demand, Current and Arrears.	Collections, including those subsequent to the Fasli and Remissions.	Balance.	Percentage of Balance to the entire Demand.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Ganjam	Parla Kimeddy ..	4,39,352	4,15,438	13,914	3.7
	Jalantra ..	33,820	32,407	1,413	4.2
	Barwah ..	12,664	8,309	4,355	3.8
	Seerghur ..	23,279	22,515	764	3.3
Vizagapatam	Bowada ..	8,917	7,599	1,318	14.8
	Salur ..	2,18,824	1,16,576	1,02,248	46.6
	Mertaghy ..	64,437	49,448	14,989	23.3
	Chemudu ..	12,963	11,814	1,149	8.9
Godavery	Nallamilliadu ..	639	630	9	1.4
	Kapileswarapuram cum Kesmanakurru ..	46,149	40,471	5,678	12.3
	Gopalpuram ..	1,19,048	64,184	54,864	46.0
Nellore	Chundi ..	90,843	71,055	19,788	21.8
North Arcot	Naraganti ..	23,204	23,006	198	0.8
Chingleput	Soorenjeri ..	8,603	3,771	4,832	56.1
Tanjore	Aghayarayangudi ..	4,193	478	3,715	88.6
	Shealli ..	50,059	43,124	6,935	13.9
Trichinopoly	Vettangudi ..	9,710	9,327	383	3.9
	Peramur ..	9,875	9,609	266	2.7

District.	Estate.	Demand, Current and Arrears.	Collections, including those subsequent to the Fasli and Remissions.	Balance.	Percentage of Balance to the entire Demand.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Madura	Bodinaickanur ..	93,717	89,371	4,346	4.6
	Guntamanaickanur ..	84,294	79,775	4,519	5.3
	Sundur ..	14,779	14,092	687	4.6
	Oothapanaickanur ..	12,903	11,579	1,324	10.2
	Rannad ..	13,20,852	11,25,772	1,95,080	14.8
	Maniachi ..	16,735	9,668	7,067	42.2
	Maniachi ..	28,869	26,737	2,132	7.4
Tinnevely	Singampatti ..	46,970	44,967	2,003	4.3
	Urkad Zemindari ..	2,478	2,254	224	9.04
	Do. partible property ..	3,63,530	3,09,894	53,636	14.7
	Ettiapuram ..	11,676	10,985	691	5.9
Coimbatore	Samathoor cum Kottampatti ..	20,319	14,195	6,124	30.1
Salem	Erumpatty cum Polypolliem ..	4,975	3,312	1,663	33.4
South Canara	B. Sawokomatour's Estate ..	4,223	2,029	2,194	51.9
	K. Srinivassa Row's Estate ..	32,949	27,295	5,654	17.1
Malabar	Kavalpara ..				
	Total ..	32,22,673	27,11,747	5,10,926	15.8

6. This table shows that large sums of uncollected arrears outstand in the estates marginally noted. In *Barwah* it is ascribed to the neglect of the proprietors to take over the management on due notice being given them, and to the late date at which the villages were

rented out in consequence. In *Salur* the short collections were caused partly by arrears of rents due by the minor's uncle, and partly by the demand on certain lands being nearly nominal on account of their assignment for the maintenance of certain members of the family. The Court should arrange to effect adjustment of transactions of this kind before the submission of the year's report. The arrears of *Gopalpuram* accrued prior to the estate coming under the Court, and are retained in the accounts, though their collection is barred by limitation, in the hope that a portion may be realized. The late date at which the *Soorenjeri* estate was taken over accounts for tardy collections. In the *South Canara* estates the difficulty arose from the delay in arranging for efficient management, and in the case of *Erumpatty* the cowholders withheld the rents on their cowles being cancelled in the hope of obtaining a renewal.

The collections on the whole show improvement as compared with previous years; but it is possible to do even better.

7. To the actual land-revenue collections of the year, viz., Rs. 20,57,446, should be added interest on invested funds, house-rents and other miscellaneous receipts, amounting in all to Rs. 2,03,250, to arrive at the aggregate income of the year, viz., Rs. 22,60,696.

8. The charges amounted to Rs. 20,76,782 as detailed below :—

	Rs.
Establishment and Saderward	1,89,444
Maraunt or Public Works expenditure	1,75,411
Government demand—	8,07,289
Fixed peishcush	1,50,926
Assessment and Road-cess	9,58,215
	18,618
Government commission	1,54,558
Maintenance and education of the minors	60,630
Allowances for other members of the family	1,34,137
Payment of debts	
Other miscellaneous disbursements, including marriage expenses, &c.	3,85,769

9. Deducting the charges from the receipts, there remained a balance at the close of the year of Rs. 1,83,914. If this be added to the amount at credit at the

* Cash	Rs.	end of the preceding year, Rs. 35,92,014,*
Government paper	10,20,979	there was on 30th June 1876 a total
	25,71,035	sum of Rs. 37,75,928 in hand. Of this
Government Securities, the remaining Rs. 7,66,333 being in cash. Since the close of the		Rs. 30,09,595 were invested in Govern-
Seerghur	Rs.	year the Court have arranged for a
Gopalpur	10,000	further investment in Government paper
Perampur	30,000	of Rs. 43,000 from the surplus cash
	3,000	balance of the estates marginally noted.

10. The debts due by and to the following estates stood thus:—

	Due by.	Due to.
	Rs.	Rs.
Chemudu	8,223	2,009
Aghayarayangudi	10,813	265
Shealli	253	44,107
Vettangudi	1,39,497	12,582
Ramnad	13,04,120	9,047
Urkad Zemindari	3,884	850
Ettiapuram	50	43,815
Brahmawar Sarvathama Row's Estates	2,414	551
Total	14,69,254	1,13,226

The undermentioned estates were indebted to the extent noted against each, but had nothing owing to them to be reckoned as a set-off:—

Seerghur	Rs.
Salur	3,620
Kavalpara	85,278
	42,750

The estates to which debts are due, and which had no liabilities outstanding against them, were—

Rewada	Rs.
Meringhy	3,757
Kapileswarapuram	31,464
Gopalpur	144
Chundi	58,970
Oothappanaickanur	3,501
Soorenjeri	11,093
	8,680

The total debts due by the estates amounted to Rs. 16,00,902 and those due to them to Rs. 2,30,835. The Court have reported the steps taken towards the adjustment of these.

11. The other chief points connected with the administration of the several estates will now be noticed district by district.

Ganjam.—The estates under the Court's control in this district were the same as in Fasli 1284. One of them, Parlakimedy, the most considerable of any save Ramnad under the Court's management, has been in ward for a long series of years, the Zemindar being in an imbecile condition. He has four sons and two daughters, the eldest son thirteen years of age and the second nine years old; are making satisfactory progress under the tuition of Mr. Taylor. The daughters (fifteen and eleven years of age) were taught Ooriya by a tutor until their tenth year, and can read and write in that language besides understanding the simple rules of arithmetic.

12. The receipts of the estate fell by nearly a lakh of rupees, owing partly to the season having been unfavorable for agricultural operations, and partly to the prevalence of cholera for many months in the year, which induced many ryots to leave their villages for the time. The greater portion of the uncollected balances

was realized subsequent to the close of the year, and remissions allowed to the extent of nearly Rs. 13,400, representing the assessment on 3,618 acres. There

	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1285.
Sugar-cane	1,538	1,664
Cotton	2,998	4,704
Indigo	1,370	896

was, however, an increase in the area cultivated with sugar-cane and cotton as compared with the previous year. On public works the expenditure incurred was Rs. 51,529, the greater portion being devoted to numerous irrigation works, the particulars of which have not been furnished. The amount also includes certain payments made for work executed in the previous year, but is exclusive of the expenditure incurred in the construction of a residence for the use of the Zemindar and his family. After deducting the charges from the receipts there was at the close of the year a surplus of Rs. 49,620, and this added to the accumulated savings of former years raised the amount at credit of the estate to Rs. 21,83,531. Of this sum Rs. 19,82,300 were invested in Government Securities, and the remainder was retained in cash pending the receipt of information called for from Mr. Chisholm regarding the requirements of the new residence under construction.

13. The Government await the Court's Proceedings on the Collector's report on Mr. Grahame's proposals regarding revision of assessments in certain villages which he considered to be too heavy. In paragraph 7 of the Proceedings under review the Court observe that the actual cultivation in the estates in the Ganjam District is not ascertainable, and have accordingly shown the whole occupied area as cultivated, but the Government notice that in the Parlakimedy estate Rs. 13,400 were remitted on 3,618 acres, of which 1,976 acres were "left uncultivated for want of water" and in 1,642 acres there was "loss of crop." The 1,976 acres at any rate should not have been shown as cultivated. There seems no reason why the cultivation in Parlakimedy and Jalandra estates in particular, which have been surveyed and demarcated, should not be properly recorded.

14. The working of the forests does not appear to have been very satisfactory. The elephants are reported to be of but little use; the Sowrahs indulge in unrestricted clearing of the forests for purposes of cultivation according to immemorial custom; the Overseer does not seem to have succeeded in improving the management; and it was ascertained that the teak plantation covering an area of 78 acres contained only about 9,000 trees, instead of from 20,000 to 30,000 as formerly reported. The Government trust that efficient arrangements will be speedily made for effecting improvements and for placing the forest management on a better footing.

15. The other three estates in Ganjam are favorably spoken of. Barwah was made over to the owner with a balance of Rs. 19,000 to credit, and the Jalandra and Seerghur minors are reported to have made satisfactory progress in their studies, which are superintended by Mr. Taylor, jointly with the Parlakimedy minors.

Vizagapatam.—The four estates under the Court's control in this district

Rewada	Receipts.
Salur	Rs.
Meringhy	6,168
Chemuda	91,827
	64,660
	11,827

appear to have been satisfactorily managed during the year. The *Rewada* minor is reading in the Hindu High School at Vizagapatam, and is well spoken of. In *Salur* matters have considerably improved; the minor's uncle, who had rented the estate for a fixed money rent, and whose conduct led to the unsatisfactory state of affairs remarked or last year, ceased to have any concern with the estate, which remained during the year under the Collector's management. The debts owing by the estate still amount to Rs. 82,857, and the recovery of the large amount due by the uncle is hopeless. The minor is under a private tutor, having received no benefit from attending the Vizianagram High School. He is also learning business in his Manager's office.

G.O., 13th February 1877, No. 664.

The assets of the *Meringhy* estate appear to have suffered a great diminution by the division effected during the year with the minor's uncles. A sum of Rs. 55,333 was paid to them and Rs. 92,717 of the debts due to the estate assigned as their share. The minor, who is eight years of age, has made satisfactory progress under private tuition.

The *Chemudu* estate, which had been grossly mismanaged by the Zemindarni, who is forty-six years of age, was taken under the Court's management during the year. It was encumbered with a debt of Rs. 15,822, nearly half of which was paid by the Court after they assumed management.

Godavery.—Of the three estates in this district, Gopalpur is the most considerable. It has at its credit nearly 50,000 Rs. in Government paper and 15,000 in cash, while about Rs. 50,000 are due to the estate. The minor is being educated by a private tutor, and is said to have done fairly at the last examination. The Court have it in contemplation to place the boy under the tuition of Mr. Taylor at Parlakimedy. The other two estates belong to female minors, whose educational progress is favorably reported on. Both properties have balances at credit.

Nellore.—In Nellore the only estate in charge of the Court is *Chundi*. There was at its credit at the close of the year Rs. 86,857. The debts due to the estate amounted to Rs. 3,500. The Manager has proved himself apathetic in collecting these outstandings, but the Court have issued stringent instructions on the subject. The two boys, aged eighteen and fifteen, are being educated at the Free Church Mission School at Nellore. The elder is reported to be decidedly good in mathematics and fair in other subjects. The younger has done tolerably well in all branches. Nothing is said as to the education of the four sisters, the eldest of whom is seventeen years of age.

North Arcot.—The *Naraganti* estate in this district had at its credit at the close of the year Rs. 12,700. More than 5,000 Rs. were spent on irrigation works during the year. The minor (fifteen years old) has made satisfactory progress in his studies in the Zillah School, Chittoor, and the Government are glad to note the Collector's favorable opinion of him.

Chingleput.—The small estate here was taken charge of by the Court in August 1875. The receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 3,324, and the charges to Rs. 1,888. The minor is reading in "Govinda Naidoo's" School at Madras.

Tanjore.—There were three estates in this district under the Court's management. *Aghayarayangudi* was made over to its proprietors three months before the close of the year. The receipts were small, but the balance in hand when the estate was restored amounted to Rs. 4,400. The debts due by the estate aggregated Rs. 10,813, but no portion of this was paid owing to the doubtful nature of the claims. The eldest of the three heirs made very little progress in his studies, but devotes much attention to the management of his estate. His two brothers are said to be more studious.

The proprietrix of the *Shealli* estate is a widow twenty years old. Its administration during the year was satisfactory; a balance of Rs. 47,646 remained in hand at the close of the year, of which Rs. 26,700 were in Government Securities. Debts aggregating Rs. 44,107 were due to the estate besides Rs. 14,368 struck off the accounts.

Vettangudi is a small estate, the receipts amounting to Rs. 11,804. The balance in hand was only Rs. 1,303, but the debts due by the estate amounted to

	Receipts.
	RS.
Gopalpur	70,583
Nallamillapadu	630
Kapileswarapuram and Kessankurru	39,678

Receipts	RS.
...	63,121

	Receipts.
	RS.
Aghayarayangudi	848
Shealli	49,972
Vettangudi	11,804

Rs. 1,39,497. Payments on this account are said to have been deferred owing to the liability of the estate to pay the debts in full being fairly contestable. It appears that they were contracted by the late proprietor, and it is doubtful if the minor's share of the property can be touched on this account. The debts due to the estate amounted to Rs. 12,582, but the debtors are chiefly cultivating tenants who had very scanty harvests owing to the unfavorable season. The education of the minors made no satisfactory progress during the year. The elder, nineteen years old, is very dull. The younger reads in the Anglo-Vernacular School at Shealli, but his attendance during the year was far from good owing to sickness.

Trichinopoly.—*Paramur*, the only estate under management in this district, is the property of a lunatic. Its receipts during the year amounted to Rs. 9,884 and the balance in hand at its close to Rs. 26,586, of which the greater portion is invested in Government Securities.

Madura.—The estates in this district were the same as in Fasli 1284.

	Receipts.
	RS.
1. Ramnad	7,65,320
2. Bodinaickanur	65,157
3. Guntamanaickanur	57,737
4. Sandiyur	9,622
5. Oothappanaickanur	13,700

Excepting the owner of *Sandiyur* (a widow fifty-four years old) the other proprietors are all male minors, whose educational progress during the year is favorably reported on. All the estates but Ramnad are in good condition. The minor proprietor of No. 2, eighteen years old, left the Hindu Proprietary School at Madras, where he was prosecuting his studies, in March 1877, and returned to his estate, where he is studying under a private tutor. The proprietor of No. 3 reads in the Dindigul Taluq School and that of No. 5 in the Zillah School at Madura. The balances at the credit of Nos. 2 and 3 were considerable, being Rs. 2,16,654 and 1,37,347, respectively.

Ramnad, the most considerable of any of the estates under the Court's wardship, appears to be well managed by the Special Assistant Collector, in whose charge it is placed. The collections were satisfactory, and the improvement of the irrigation works has been taken in hand. The substitution of a money assessment for the present "waraput" or sharing system was not carried out owing to the past season not being considered opportune for the change; but this subject, as well as the question of surveying the estate, in which a large extent of concealed cultivation was detected during the year, will be speedily taken up, the Court having recently directed the Collector's attention to them.

The area cultivated was 315,733 acres against 284,868 in Fasli 1284. The current demand amounted to Rs. 7,83,985, the aggregate receipts were Rs. 7,65,320, charges Rs. 7,86,261, and the balance in hand at the close of the year Rupees 1,66,686.

The mortgage-deed for the loan of Rs. 12,00,000 advanced by Government for paying off the liabilities of the estate was executed during the year. Debts amounting to Rs. 83,094, inclusive of interest on loan, were paid during the year. The minor is eight years old, and the Government are glad to learn that he is an intelligent and promising boy.

Tinnevely.—Of the five estates in charge of the Court in this district, *Ettiapuram* is the most considerable. It has improved materially since the Court's management began in 1872, and 257 out of 263 Ayen villages were surveyed and demarcated at a total cost of Rs. 24,582, the result being an increase of revenue to the extent of Rs. 11,000. The irrigation works received proper attention, and the balance in hand was upwards of four lakhs. The minors are nineteen and seventeen years old. They are both at Ettiapuram, the elder having returned home from Madras, as noticed in the review of the previous year's report. They are said to have made satisfactory progress in their

	Receipts.
	RS.
Ettiapuram	3,24,396
Maniachi	9,583
Sigampatti	22,944
Urkad	43,744
Do. partible estate	3,014

studies. The other estates are well managed, and the arrangements made for the education of the several minor proprietors are as good as can be under the circumstances of each estate, but the progress made by Nos. 2, 3, and 4 does not appear to have been satisfactory.

Coimbatore.—In this district there are two estates belonging to the same proprietor. Notwithstanding the large expenditure incurred during the year of Rs. 4,800 on the occasion of the marriage of the minor's sister, there was a balance in hand at the close of the year of Rupees 9,741. The minor is said to be apathetic in his studies, and much progress is not anticipated. Endeavours have been made with some success to interest him in field sports and farming.

Salem.—In Salem the sole ward is a female of unsound mind, twenty-five years old, owning two estates consisting of nine villages, of which one is shrotriem and the rest ryotwar. The collections were rather slack. The balance in hand at the close of the year was Rs. 3,412.

South Canara.—The two estates constituting the Court's charge in this district came under management only in 1875. In one case the minor is too young to be educated, and in the other he is reported to be dull and irregular in his attendance at school, though fifteen years old. The latter reads in the Local Fund School at Udipi. Neither of the estates was well managed during the year. It is hoped that the Managers last appointed will put matters in better train.

Malabar.—*Kavalapara*, the only estate under wardship in Malabar, was well managed during the year. The receipts comprise rent on lands, malikhana allowance, surplus proceeds of the property in Cochin Territory, and sundry items. These brought in Rs. 33,077, but the charges amounted to Rs. 43,395, and included the expenses connected with the minor's betrothal ceremony. The balance in hand at the close of the year was Rs. 7,000. The debts due by the estate consist partly of a loan* advanced by Government and partly of amounts due to private parties.

* Rupees 65,000.
Of this a sum of Rs. 17,090 was paid during the year, leaving a balance of Rs. 42,750 still to be liquidated. The proprietrix is ten years old, and her education appears to be well attended to.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

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4. *Paragraph 12 of Government Order.*—From the report since received from the Collector of Ganjam, it appears that of the total expenditure incurred on account of public works in Ganjam, Rupees 14,193 were on account of irrigation works, Rupees 25,134 on account of communications, Rupees 5,647 for buildings, and Rupees 9,012 for establishments, &c. There is a discrepancy between the above figures and those given by the Accountant-General, and the Collector has been requested to explain the matter.

5. *Paragraph 13 of Government Order.*—The Court await the Collector's report on Mr. Grahame's proposals regarding revision of assessment in certain villages the assessment on which was considered too heavy. He is requested to explain the difficulty in entering the actual extent of cultivation in Statement No. 2 for the estates in his district; when the actual cultivation is not known, it seems to the Court that it would be misleading simply to exclude the extent of waste on which remissions may have been granted and show a residue which would not represent anything in particular.

6. *Paragraph 14 of Government Order.*—The Collector's attention is drawn to paragraph 14 of the Government Order, and he is requested to expedite the despatch of the report called for in paragraph 14 of the Court's Proceedings, 8th June 1877, No. 2,665.

7. *Paragraph 15 of Government Order.*—The Collector of Nellore is requested to report on the education of the sisters of the Chundi minors. The Court observe that the two eldest were already married and had probably gone to live with their husbands. The other two are aged 15 and 11 respectively, and female teachers apparently cannot be found for them.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

J. M. M. M.
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Collector of Ganjam, with copy of Government Order.

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