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REVENUE DEPARTMENT

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

31st July 1878, No. 1,202.

Read the following paper :—

No. 404. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th July 1878, No. 2,018.

Read the following letter from T. KRISTNA RAO, Deputy Collector, Mannargudi Division, to F. WEBSTER, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, dated Mannargudi, 3rd July 1878, No. 338 :—

I HAVE the honor to report that we have had recently several accounts given us of the flight of migratory locusts, enormous in their number. The Municipal Vaccinator, Chackrapani Iyah, met in his vaccination tour on the morning of the 30th June, in the limits of Tengaravayal on the road between this place and Needamangalam, a terrible batch of locusts taking flight in the air above the height of a palmyra tree in the eastern direction. The train covered in its length a superficial area of about one mile west to east, and in its width about 50 yards.

2. Again, it is confidentially reported that a batch of similar magnitude was seen in the morning of the 29th June at Kuttanallur, then flying not so high, and on being fired at with guns by the rural population, the firing being attended with some noise, it was prevented from halting down and driven further east.

3. I hear also from the Police Inspector of Mannargudi of a batch of these insects which he faced on or about 22nd June in the limits of Tenkovanur, taking flight north-east towards Kuttanallur.

4. All these reports of which I see no reason to doubt the truth incline me to believe that these insects have split themselves into numerous batches and that each batch is roving in this district in search of food.

5. Hitherto we have had no report of any instance of these insects halting down at any place and destroying vegetation. This is probably because there is no vegetation on which they can feed.

6. The above reports are what I got from the public. The village officers have reported none officially. Their apathy to a most important duty is reprehensible and I shall take due notice of it.

7. I am sorry that the locusts have yet settled no where, as in that case I might visit the scene of their havoc and use to the best of my powers all the means available for their destruction.

8. I have asked the Tahsildar of Mannargudi to be on the alert, and I shall personally visit any place reported to be infested and carry out the instructions in the Board's Proceedings, 5th June 1878, No. 1,497, for the destruction of this pest.

No. 2,365.

SUBMITTED to the Board of Revenue for information in continuation of letter, No. 2,347, dated 9th instant.

POINT CALIMERE,
10th July 1878.

(Signed) F. WEBSTER,
Collector.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT, 31st JULY 1878, No. 1,202.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 405.

ORDER THEREON, 31st July 1878, No. 1,202.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. C. Howarth.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
27/19 July 1878

Read the following

No. 338

From The Deputy Collector
Mammangudi Division

To The Collector of Tanjore

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Deputy Collector's
Office Mammargudy
3rd July 1878

I have &c
1207 J Krishna Rao
Deputy Collector

(True Copy)

No. 2365

Submitted to the Board of Revenue
for information in Continuation of letter
No. 2347 D/9th Instant.

Sanjore Collector's Office } 1207 J Krishna Rao
Camp Point Halemare } Collector
Tuticorin Taluk }
10th July 1878

Submitted

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Government.

(True Copy Extract)

Wm. L. Allen
Secretary

To The Secretary to Govt. R. D.

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Wm. L. Allen

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Enclosures of
The Board of Finance
of 19th July 1898
Wm. R. R.

Submitting for the
information of Govt
the letter from the Dr
Collector for an amount
Division respecting on the
appearance of the Budget
very correct in his Division

Dec. 1898

Recorded

W. L.

21 July 1898

Wm. R. R.

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of 19th July 1898

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