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...Seers of Eighty Tolahs of Grain and Salt per Rupee, and Rain Report of all the Districts of the Madras Presidency, for the Month of December 1877, Fasli 1287.

Districts.		Number of Government Seers of Eighty Tolahs per Rupee.												Rain-fall.				
		Second sort Rice.		Second sort Paddy.		Cholum.		Ragi.		Horse Gram.		Sea Salt.						
		Fasli 1286.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1286.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1286.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1286.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1286.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1286.	Fasli 1287.	Northern Section.	Southern Section.	Eastern Section.	Western Section.	Average.
														Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.
Northern Section.	Ganjam	3·7	9·7	26·4	19·1	16·2	13·7	16·8	14·8	17·3	15·2	16·7	14·	...	...	...	0·30	0·07
	Vizagapatam	11·2	8·5	21·4	14·6	16·4	13·	17·2	13·9	16·7	13·4	17·6	15·	1·09	...	...	2·86	8·44
	Godavery	10·5	8·4	17·5	13·7	13·4	13·	14·7	15·5	13·5	13·3	15·3	16·5	...	...	...	0·01	0·21
	Kistna	8·9	7·6	13·9	11·8	11·2	12·4	11·0	12·2	12·6	9·3	16·0	15·4	0·23	0·10	0·03	0·03	0·09
	Nellore	6·9	7·5	11·1	10·9	8·7	8·	8·8	9·2	10·1	6·8	17·3	16·4	1·93	3·64	2·24	2·20	2·48
Ceded Districts.	Cuddapah	6·3	8·5	18·7	12·1	7·2	7·	12·0	8·3	7·1	14·8	14·5	0·28	0·23	0·02	...	0·22	
	Bellary	6·9	7·7	15·	13·0	7·5	9·	12·1	8·2	8·5	13·3	12·0	1·26	1·25	0·02	1·31		
	Kurnool	6·3	7·9	9·8	13·4	7·0	7·5	12·7	7·9	9·2	13·4	13·4	1·08	...	0·32	...		
East Centre.	Madras	6·8	8·4	10·6	14·4	9·0	9·	11·0	9·2	10·0	18·7	16·3	...	...	...	...	1·46	
	Chingleput	7·9	8·8	12·3	13·9	8·7	8·	11·3	9·3	8·5	17·7	14·4	2·31	5·80	1·86	3·00	2·74	
	North Arcot ...	7·2	8·3	11·7	14·3	9·8	9·	9·4	10·5	7·0	11·2	14·8	1·66	2·15	2·04	1·26	1·77	
	South Arcot ...	7·6	8·1	12·0	12·8	10·7	10·	12·6	10·2	9·4	16·8	16·4	2·20	10·20	12·35	5·05	7·45	
Cauvery.	Tanjore	8·4	8·1	13·7	14·2	11·1	12·	12·7	18·5	8·8	17·2	15·7	11·97	13·73	16·95	11·40	13·51	
	Trichinopoly ...	7·0	7·1	12·4	13·8	10·8	10·	13·0	10·1	7·6	15·9	14·8	8·57	5·30	7·70	3·85	5·46	
Southern Sec.	Madura	7·0	7·5	11·6	13·4	13·6	10·	14·1	10·4	8·6	18·1	13·8	14·18	10·95	11·41	7·43	10·23	
	Tinnevelly ...	7·8	9·2	12·7	14·4	11·1	11·	20·5	11·5	9·6	15·7	13·6	13·88	2·76	17·04	20·69	17·54	
West Centre.	Coimbatore ...	7·8	8·2	12·0	14·6	8·3	10·	14·2	9·0	7·5	14·9	14·0	2·90	4·18	5·05	2·41	3·64	
	Nilgiris ...	6·5	7·0	...	...	7·4	8·	7·2	7·8	5·5	9·9	9·2	11·34	7·85	7·11	5·41	8·32	
	Salem	6·9	8·6	11·4	14·0	8·3	9·	11·0	9·4	6·3	15·3	14·8	1·70	2·25	1·76	2·62	1·87	
West.	South Canara ...	10·6	10·8	20·6	20·4	...	...	12·4	9·3	9·2	15·6	15·2	...	...	...	...	...	
	Malabar	9·8	10·6	16·6	18·2	...	...	18·3	10·3	11·9	9·15·1 12·8	14·6 12·8	1·70	...	3·24	...	0·97	
														1·48	4·88	2·24	1·42	2·48

B. Bombay Salt.
G. Goa Salt.

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Statement of Cotton and Indigo Cultivation with their Market Prices, up to the Month of December 1877, Fasli 1287.

Districts.		Cotton.				Value per Candy of 500 lbs.	Indigo.				Market rate of cake Indigo per maund of 28 lbs.
		Official year 1876-77.		Official year 1877-78.			Official year 1876-77.		Official year 1877-78.		
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	
		Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.
Northern Section.	Ganjam	7.706	10.195	8.412	10.390	132	938	4.704	975	4675	51
	Vizagapatam	10.799	25.228	9.314	18.244	4	1384	12253	1812	13736	44
	Godavery	6.747	12.862	5.196	12.745	00	1646	5814	1455	5785	42
	Kistna	183.882	265.295	165.582	237.744	0	26902	46456	15448	29994	47
	Nellore	6.767	6.153	8.112	7.983	31	13388	27892	10558	21704	46
Ceded Districts.	Cuddapah	26.763	39.669	40.628	51.152	6	18509	66061	33941	68203	40
	Bellary	44.275	39.841	179.160	17	94	418	541	448	469	50
	Kurnool	77.773	124.706	116.798	15	115	16541	31824	8370	13788	61
East Centre.	Madras	...	...	...	...	118	...	...	...	...	37650
	Chingleput	...	...	...	...	...	2771	5786	1454	2934	...
	North Arcot	210	647	142	...	1	4454	8392	2255	6072	45
	South Arcot	2.973	5.699	2.194	...	128	31525	60803	30254	60934	24
Cauvery.	Tanjore	1995	2478	914	...	89	170	223	287	525	7
	Trichinopoly	4956	4647	5369	...	95	333	467	523	875	22
Southern Sec.	Madura	46.549	84421	59362	107	186	6	12	25	27	32
	Tinnevelly	166.878	168.184	188.432	204	87	118	157	208	174	220
West Centre.	Coimbatore	97.220	94.575	1.31.639	1.37.7	6	...	...	...	...	36
	Nilgiris	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
	Salem	9813	12.717	6800	10	10	1723	7450	1986	10805	45
West.	South Canara	...	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	...	...
	Malabar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	695326	877297	927954	1141	...	120866	278881	109986	242986	...

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Remarks of District Officers on the state of the Season, for the Month of 187 , Fasli 128 .

Districts.	Season.		Crops.			Prices.	Public Health.	Cattle.		Remarks.
	Rain-fall.	River-freshes.	Sown.	Standing and their condition.	Harvested and their outturn.			Condition.	Pasture.	
Northern Section.										
Ganjam	Partial	None	Green gram in one taluq and already mustard, Summer ragi and horsegram in another.	Sugarcane, horsegram, cotton mustard, ingeli and oilseeds in fair condition. Horsegram and oilseeds flowering in some villages.	Paddy, Ragi, horsegram and red gram (Korra there). No yield varied from ¼ to ½	nearly stationary	Small pox and cholera generally prevalent. 1327 deaths due to cholera	Disease in two taluqs	Procurable	
Vizagapatam	Slight and partial	None	Green gram, Redgram, Bengal gram, Gingelly, Castor, Indigo, mustard, chama, and wheat sown. Ragi, chilly, sad potatoes and Rabee paddy transplanted.	Cholum, cotton, Tobacco, Red-potatoes, chilly, cocoanut, Sugarcane, Red gram, Horsegram, chama, Ragi, green gram, Blackgram, wheat and Castor oilseeds thriving in some places, suffering from want of rain and being attacked by insects.	Paddy, cholum, Horsegram, Redgram, Blackgram and green gram harvested. Outturn varying from ¼ to ¾	Rising and falling in different taluqs	Fell in 13 and rose in 2 taluqs. Stationary in others	Cholera in 12, small-pox in 1 and fever in 7 taluqs.	Murrain in one taluq	Decreasing
Godavery	None	None	Horsegram Sown. Tobacco and chillies being planted.	Green, Black, Bengal and Horsegram generally good. Castor suffering from blight in some places.	Paddy and cholum harvested. Outturn varying from ¾ to full.	Continuing high	Cholera, Small pox and fever prevalent	Generally healthy.	Generally good.	
Kistna	very Slight and partial	Slight in the canals and wells	Late maize, castor, Bengal gram, Black-gram and tobacco sown. Ragi transplanted under wells.	Late dry crops suffering from insects and want of rain, cholum and wet paddy suffered from blight.	Early Jonnies, paddy, wet and dry from ¼ to full about ½	Fell in some taluqs and steady in others.	Cholera in 4 taluqs from which 55 deaths are reported. Ague and Small-pox continue	Generally healthy but disease prevails in 5 taluqs.	Sufficient	
Nellore	Average 2·61 inches	None	Three months Paddy, Ragi, green gram, Horsegram and oil seeds.	Paddy, Ragi, cholum, Horsegram and oilseeds flowering and ripening. Blight and insects did damage in many places.	Ragi, Korra, Paddy and cholum harvested. Outturn varying from ¼ to ¾	Continuing high.	Small pox and fever prevalent throughout the district. Cholera and fever in some taluqs.	Slight disease in 3 taluqs	Abundant	
Ceded Districts.										
Cuddapah	Slight and partial	None	Dry and wet grains in some taluqs.	Paddy, Ragi, cholum, cotton, Redgram and Horsegram in a good condition in some taluqs. Late crops in some taluqs are suffering from blight.	Paddy, Ragi, cholum and cotton in certain taluqs. Outturn from ¼ to full	Stationary.	Fever prevalent throughout the district. Cholera in a few villages of Pullampett taluq.	Generally good but scarcity prevails in 3 taluqs	Abundant	
Bellary	Almost none	Jonnagiri Canal and Kumaravati in flood	Paddy, white cholum, Bengal gram, Korra, Cotton and Ragi	White cholum, Cotton, paddy, Korra, wheat, Bengal gram, oilseeds, Ragi generally good. Damage by insects in some places.	Wet and dry crops harvested. Outturn from ¼ to full	Stationary	Good but fever is very severe and prevalent.	Good	Abundant	
Kurnool	Slight average .20	None	Wheat and Bengal gram.	White cholum suffering from blight in some places.	Cholum and Cottton harvested. Outturn ...	Stationary	Fever throughout the district.	No disease reported	Abundant	
Madras ...	Average 3·36	Do.	No cultivation accounts kept as lands are charged the Inland Customs.			Fell slightly	Small pox, dysentery and fever prevalent.	Fair	Fair	
						Stationary	Good in 1 taluq. Fever, Small-pox and dysentery in all taluqs and cholera in ...	Good in all taluqs except in chingleput where Vaikkal exists in some villages.	Abundant.	
East Coast.										
North Arcot	Slight in all taluqs but one	Slight freshes in Palar, Cheyar &c.	Paddy, Ragi, and chillies in wet land, cholum, Ragi, Cumbu, Horsegram, Samai, and ridgis in dry land.	Paddy, cholum, Lampsil seeds, Ragi, Cumbu, Horsegram, Redundy, Kandalu in Pyr &c. Ridgis in good condition but suffering from blight and insects in 5 taluqs.	Paddy, cholum, Kandalu, Redundy and green gram. Outturn from ½ to ¾	Rising generally but falling slightly in 2 taluqs.	Cholera, small-pox, fever and ague and dysentery prevailing slightly.	Generally good. Vaikkal in 2 taluqs and Bubble in one. 277 deaths reported.	Useful	Rain much wanted.
South Arcot	General; varying from 18·95 inches to 1·40 inches	Slight freshes in all rivers	Ragi, cholum, Cotton, ridgis and chilly on dry lands. Paddy in wet lands [illegible]	Ragi, varagu, cholum, cotton, redundy, gingelly and ridgis and paddy and sugarcane in wet lands generally in good condition	Ragi, varagu, cholum, paddy, cumbu, cotton. Outturn tolerable except cholum which yielded low	Slightly	Generally good. 775 deaths from	Generally healthy. Condition much		

	Chingleput	Slight and [illegible]	To a small extent [illegible]	Varagu, chama, Cumbu and chillies	Good excepting those injured by insects in parts of certain Taluqs	Ras, Vadacan in wet Ragi in some Taluqs. Outturn [illegible]	Stationary.	Good in 1 Taluq fever, small-pox and dysentery in all Taluqs and cholera in one	Good in all Taluqs except in [illegible] where Vakkay exists in some villages.	Abundant.	
East [illegible]	North Arcot ...	Slight in all Taluqs but one	Slight freshes in Palmaner do.	Paddy, Ragi, [illegible] chillies in wet land, cholum, Ragi, Cumbu, Horsegram, Samai, and indigo in dry land.	Paddy, cholum, Lamp oil seeds, Ragi, Cumbu, Horsegram, Kandulu, Kandalu, Ragi, & indigo in good condition but suffering from blight and insects in 2 Taluqs.	Paddy, cholum, [illegible] Kandulu, [illegible] and Green gram [illegible]	Rising generally but falling slightly in 2 Taluqs.	[illegible] fever and ague [illegible] Dysentery prevailing slightly	Generally good [illegible] 277 deaths reported.	[illegible]	Rain much wanted.
	South Arcot ...	General; varying from 16.95 inches to 1.40 inches	Slight freshes in all the rivers	Ragi, cholum, Cotton, indigo and chilly on dry lands. Paddy in wet lands transplanted.	Ragi, varagu, cholum, Cotton, Ulundu, ground nut, indigo and gingelly in dry and paddy and sugarcane in wet lands generally in good condition but slightly injured by insects	Ragi, varagu, cholum, paddy, Cumbu, Outturn tolerable except [illegible] which yielded [illegible] the average	Slightly fell.	Generally good. 775 deaths from cholera out of 1871 attacked.	Generally healthy. Condition much improved.	Sufficient	
Cauvery.	Tanjore ...	Heavy, varying from 9½ to 15⅞ inches	Rivers rose and fell. Tanks pretty full.	Kurunai in wet and a few dry grains in Punjah lands.	Paddy is generally good but damaged in some places by excessive rain.	Kar Samba, [illegible] in wet lands Outturn from ¾ to full. Ragi, cholum, and dry [illegible] yield moderate.	Slightly fell.	Small-pox in six and fever in some taluqs. Deaths from cholera 383 out of 553.	Generally healthy but disease exists in two taluqs.	Sufficient	
	Trichinopoly	Copious	Gradually subsiding	Kodaikar Paddy in wet and Cumbu, Ragi and cholum, varagu and pulses in dry lands and under wells.	Generally good. Some dry crops suffered from floods. Cholum and varagu suffered from excessive rains in Udayarpalaiyam taluq.	Cumbu, [illegible] Ragi and [illegible] Outturn [illegible] to full	Slightly fell.	Generally good. Cholera small-pox and fever prevailing in some places.	Good, but affected with Vakkai in some places.	Abundant.	The prospects are rapidly improving and prices are falling steadily.
Southern Section.	Madura ...	Good.	Freshes [illegible] all the rivers.	Horsegram, Cumbu, gingelly, Bengal gram and cholum. Paddy transplanted in all taluqs but two.	Dry crops injured by excessive rains. Wet crops generally good.	Cholum, [illegible] Cumbu and other dry grains and paddy. Outturn [illegible]	Slightly fell.	Generally good. Cholera, fever and dysentery prevail to some extent in all taluqs.	Good.	Available	
	Tinnevelly ...	Very heavy and unusual	Breaches [illegible] tanks [illegible]	Paddy, Cumbu, Horsegram, Cotton and vegetables	Paddy, cholum, varagu, Ragi, Cumbu, Samai, Horsegram, Cotton and vegetables in good condition. [illegible]	Kar paddy, [illegible] and Ragi [illegible] Outturn fair	Rice almost Stationary. Dry grains much cheaper.	Fever and dysentery in four. Slight cholera in all Taluqs but one.	Suffering from the distemper. Much damaged by rain.	Sufficient.	
West Centre.	Coimbatore ...	Slight in 4 Taluqs and good elsewhere	Ordinary	Cholum, and paddy. Tobacco transplanted under wells.	Sugarcane, [illegible] and plantain [illegible] Paddy and dry crops injured by insects in some places. The latter also suffered from much rain	Cholum [illegible] Samai [illegible] Outturn [illegible] ½	Slightly fell.	[illegible] dysentery in [illegible] small-pox in two and fever in three Taluqs.	Good	Abundant	
	Nilgiris ...	Excessive	Freshes in the rivers	Nil	Ganja, wheat, Battacadalai, poppy, onions, garlic, Vendiam good, but onion, Batta Kadalai, and [illegible] partly damaged by excessive rain.	Korali and Samai Outturn ⅓ to ½ large wheat and potatoes [illegible] Outturn	Stationary	Generally good but small-pox prevailing in some villages.	Good.	Sufficient	
	Salem ...	None	Slight freshes in Cauvery and other rivers.	Cholum, Horsegram and paddy.	Wet crops in good condition and dry partly injured by insects.	Cumbu, cholum, Ragi, Samai and Paddy. Outturn average.	Stationary	Dysentery, small-pox and ague prevailed in parts of the district	Good	Abundant.	Agricultural operations resumed since improvement in the season.
West.	South Canara ...	Very slight and partial	None	Dry grains in two Taluqs.	2nd Rice crop good on the whole, though slightly damaged by insects.	None	Slightly fell.	Cholera still existing. Small-pox in two Taluqs.	Good	Sufficient	
	Malabar ...	Scanty but favorable.	None	None	Gingelly and Mayroon flourishing.	Gingelly, Mayroon in some places. Outturn satisfactory	Almost Stationary	Cholera and small pox reported from a few localities	Healthy except in Wynaad.	Sufficient	

Revenue Board Office,
Madras, 2nd March 1878.

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Prices of Grain and Salt—Rain-fall, Cotton and Indigo cultivation, and state of the Season in all Districts of the Madras Presidency for the Month of December 1877. Statement showing—

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