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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

## REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

19th September 1878, No. 1,520.

Read the following paper :—

No. 211. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th August 1878, No. 2,301.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector, Kistna, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 25th July 1878, No. 1,585 :—

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| Items. | Balance at the close of Fasli 1287. | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Recoverable. | | | Irrecoverable. | | | Doubtful. | | |
| | Fasli 1287. | Previous years. | Total. | Fasli 1287. | Previous years. | Total. | Fasli 1287. | Previous years. | Total. |
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| Ryotwar .. .. | 2,16,184 | 79,090 | 2,95,274 | 73 | 44,069 | 44,142 | 38,424 | 61,388 | 94,812 |
| Shrotriem .. .. | 3,626 | 1,233 | 4,859 | .. | 46 | 46 | 492 | 433 | 925 |
| Zemindari .. .. | 7,627 | 8,184 | 15,811 | .. | 250 | 250 | .. | .. | .. |
| Peishcush .. .. | | | | | | | | | |
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More than three-fourths of the amounts of ryotwar and shrotriem entered under "doubtful" will fall under "irrecoverable" for various reasons which will be reported in due course. Steps are being taken for the speedy realization of all the recoverable balances.

Of the amount of peishcush Rupees 16,061 in arrear Rupees 5,200 are due by Zemindar of Chintalapali Vantu to whom indulgence has been granted for liquidating his arrears in three faslis under G.O., No. 607, dated 17th April 1878, and Rupees 7,870 on Vissannapeta Estate, a portion of which has been in consequence attached and placed under Government management in conformity with the Board's Proceedings, No. 94, dated 11th January 1878, while Rupees 250 appertaining to Fasli 1285 are irrecoverable, being the amount of deduction from the peishcush of Chevendra Zemindari for lands taken up for public purposes, sanctioned in G.O., No. 1,232, dated 26th March 1877. The remaining balance due from other proprietors will soon be realized.

4. *Abkari Revenue.*—The large arrears both of Fasli 1287 and of the previous year noticed up to the end of December 1877 were due to the difficulty of collection. Fasli 1287 commenced with heavy arrears of Rupees 64,561, which, added to the current demand, amounted to Rupees 3,02,864. Of this Rupees 1,82,082 were realized within the fasli, and deducting deposits there still remains a large sum of about Rupees 70,241 in arrear as particularized below :—

| Demand. | | | Collection. | | | Balance. | | | Deduct deposits from Column 9. | Net arrear. |
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| Fasli 1287. | Previous Faslis. | Total. | Fasli 1287. | Previous Faslis. | Total. | Fasli 1287. | Previous Faslis. | Total. | | |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | | | |

5. All the renters craved remission in consideration of the loss alleged by them to have resulted from famine and in consideration of the misunderstanding of the relative rights of the arrack and toddy renters. The loss was admitted in the marginally-noted correspondence, but the Board declined to show any more indulgence than holding over the collections for a certain time on the renters furnishing security.

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The renters have failed to avail themselves of the concession. Some of them have wilfully withheld or evaded payment, and are subject to have clandestinely concealed their property to avoid distraint. The arrack farms of three taluks* and the toddy farm of one taluk† were kept under Government management at the risk of the renters of those farms.

* Bezwada, Palnad, and Narasarowpeta.
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6. There is no doubt that many of the renters have suffered loss from bad sales. The majority of the consumers are the laboring classes whose earnings in consequence of the high prices of food grains could have hardly left them any surplus for indulging in liquor. The result of the Government management of the farms of the taluks referred to above confirmed the fact of former losses; and, if extremities had been resorted to by selling or taking all the farms of all the defaulters under Government management, the loss to Government would have been equally great. The actual loss incurred from the four farms under management for a few months reached Rupees 7,500.‡

‡ Of this about Rupees 1,000 have since been realized by sale of stock at the close of the fasli.

7. The defaulters who fell in heavy arrears are mentioned below :—



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The total amount due by the above five individuals is Rupees 68,878, the recovery of which sum is, in my opinion, to a greater extent hopeless.

If the defaulters (*b* to *e*) fail to come to any special terms, as suggested in Board's Proceedings, No. 1,753, dated 25th June 1878, there will be no alternative but to proceed against them under Section 48 of Act II of 1864.

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SUBMITTED to Government with reference to Government Orders, dated 5th and

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

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No. 212. ORDER THEREON, 19th September 1878, No. 1,520.

Land Revenue, No. 9. RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,
Under-Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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The BOARD of REVENUE

Dated September 1878.

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G.O., 19th September 1878, No. 1,526

SEPTEMBER.

Nos. 211-212.

*Arrears of Land and Abkari Revenue due standing in the Kistna District.*—Recording Proceedings of the Board of Revenue submitting Report on the —

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(Initialled) [illegible]
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ Collector of Kistna.

Exd. C. Howarth.

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Revenue Department

No 3876.

1878.

# Board of Revenue,

## MADRAS.

To

THE SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT,
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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*Dated August* 16*th*.

*Printed* 27*th*.

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PROCEEDINGS, 16TH AUGUST 1878, No. 2,301.

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AUGUST.

No. 2,301.

*Arrears of Land and Abkári Revenue* — outstanding in Kistna District.—Submitting to Government report from Collector regarding —, and issuing instructions for realization of the arrears due by some of the Abkári renters of the district.

No 1620 19 September 1878.

W H Baker