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Famine Relief.

No. 661. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th April 1877, No. 1,573:—

Read letters from the Collector of Nellore, submitting Taluqwar Reports on the State of the District, dated 15th January 1877, No. 257; 20th January 1877, No. 381; 6th February 1877, No. 582; 19th February 1877, No. 880; 21st February 1877, No. 906; 2nd March 1877, No. 958; 16th March 1877, No. 1,115; and 16th March 1877, No. 1,148.

THE Board submit to Government the following review of the reports received from the Nellore District regarding the condition of the several taluqs in connection with the present famine, together with three Statements showing (1), the area of cultivation, rain-fall, the estimated outturn of crops, and the probable remissions; (2), the course of prices; and (3), the expenditure on relief operations.

2. The area of the district is about 8,462 square miles, and the population 1,374,000. It is divided into nine Government Taluqs and four Zemindari Divisions. All the four Zemindari Divisions belong to the Estate of the Rajah of Venkatagiri and contain an area of 1,555 miles and a population of 215,747. The realizable Government demand of the district was in Fasli 1285 a little over 28 lakhs of Rupees, of which $5\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs appertained to permanently settled estates and Shrotriem villages, and the remainder to Ryotwari lands.

3. The season in Fasli 1285 was very unfavorable owing to deficient rain-fall, and the yield of the wet crops, especially in the south-western part of the district, was far below the average. The dry crops however yielded fairly, and there was no great distress among the population excepting that arising from mortality of cattle, which was very great owing to insufficient pasturage and deficiency of drinking water. The failure of the south-west monsoon succeeding a year of bad harvest and retarding cultivation operations caused suffering, and the first indication of it appeared in the western portion of the Kavali Taluq in August 1876, when relief works on a small scale were immediately opened. A good fall of rain at the end of that month seemed to improve matters, but none having fallen subsequently, the pressure revived. By the end of October the condition of Atmakur and Udayagiri Taluqs became critical; and when the north-east monsoon, which is due at the end of October or the beginning of November, totally failed, the distress resulting from want of employment to the poorer classes became widespread and was much intensified by the high prices which prevailed in consequence of the severe famine in the adjacent districts of Kurnool, Cuddapah, and Bellary, whence an enormous demand fell upon the Nellore stocks.

4. (a) *Rainfall, Cultivation, and Outturn of Crops.*—The average rain-fall during the last three years was 35·8 inches, of which 14·4 fell during the south-west monsoon, or between the months of April to September, and 20·2 inches during the north-east monsoon, or between October to December. In the present year the rain-fall under the south-west monsoon has been only 9·3 inches and under the north-east 2·1 in/4, and

in the months of January and February 7 inches against an average of 1.1 inch. In no taluq, except Ongole, has the rain-fall of 1876 been half the average; in Gudur it was less than one-tenth, and in Atmakur than one-eighth.

5. The Collector has not yet reported the particulars of cultivation in each taluq, although these have been more than once called for. The information is now daily expected, and the particulars, when received, will be communicated to Government. The average cultivation during the last five years was 744,737 acres, of which 22 per cent. or rather less than one-fourth is wet, and the remainder dry. The distribution of cultivation between the two monsoons is as follows:—

	Dry.	Wet.	Total.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
South-west monsoon from April to September	177,430	68,309	245,739
North-east monsoon from October to December	309,449	67,796	377,245
North-east monsoon from January to March	95,779	25,974	121,753
Total...	582,658	1,62,079	744,737

The north of the district, comprising the Ongole, Kanigiri, and Kandukur Taluqs and the Podili and Darsi Divisions, depends chiefly on the south-west monsoon. The remainder receives both monsoons; but the principal dry crops are matured under the north-east monsoon rains. In the current year the cultivation has been:—

	Dry.	Wet.	Total.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
From April to September	118,799	48,248	167,047
From October to December	105,634	23,929	129,563
Total...	224,433	72,177	296,610

The cultivation for the months of January and February amounts to 79,000 acres—74,000 dry and 5,000 wet. That for March has not been reported, but it cannot have been very great. There was thus a decrease of about one-third in dry and wet cultivation under the south-west monsoon. Under the north-east monsoon the decrease was much larger, amounting to nearly two-thirds in the months of October, November, and December; and if the figures of the subsequent months be added, the decrease is nearly three-fifths; and less than half the usual area has been brought under the plough.

6. The outturn of crops reported for the taluqs varies from 4 Annas to 1. This however represents in some cases only the outturn of lands that yielded a crop, and takes no account of lands not cultivated and of those which though cultivated yielded no crop whatever. As a maximum estimate of outturn in the cultivated lands, 4 Annas

is probably correct, but, on looking into the relative proportions for the different taluqs, the estimates do not seem to be very reliable. The rain-fall was greater in Ongole than in the Kanigiri Taluq, and still a larger outturn is estimated for the latter. No information is available regarding the outturn of crops in the zemindari divisions of Venkatagiri and Polur, but it cannot differ much from that of the adjacent Government Taluqs of Rapur and Gudur. There was almost entire failure of wet crops in the district unless under wells. The exceptions were parts of Ongole in the north, some villages along the sea coast, and parts of the southern taluqs. The crops under wells alone were saved to any material extent. The yield of such dry crops as were not totally lost was very scanty. Owing to a large extent of well cultivation, however, the zemindari divisions of Podile and Darsi appear to have fared better than the rest of the district. There will be on the whole a fair crop of raggi in these divisions. There are no materials to form an estimate on the absolute proportion of total outturn of the district in 1876-77 as compared with an ordinary year. The Board would give 2 Annas as an extreme estimate of the yield on the whole. The district has, owing to the failure of the north-east monsoon, suffered very heavily.

7. (b) *Remissions.*—The local officers' estimates of remissions amount to Rupees 14,18,000. The Collector's estimate is three-quarters of the net ryotwar demand of Fasli 1285, or Rs. 10,68,000. In Fasli 1285 nearly two lakhs were remitted on account of loss of crops, so that the Collector's estimate amounts really to Rupees 12,68,000. These estimates were framed before the recent rules on the subject were issued and evidently contemplate the remission of the whole assessment on dry waste and withered crops. The remissions estimated are excessive, and in the case of Kavali the figures furnished are absolutely wrong, being greater than the demand for Fasli 1285. The Board do not think that the remissions will exceed nine lakhs.

8. (c) *Mortality of Cattle.*—The estimates furnished of mortality of cattle in the several taluqs are as shown in the margin. These estimates are probably in some instances exaggerated, but there is no doubt but that the mortality has been very great and has caused great distress. About 25 per cent. have probably already died. The agricultural cattle will here, as elsewhere, be saved if possible. There have been heavy showers in the end of March, which are described as ensuring the water-supply of the Nellore and central taluqs and have greatly improved the prospects of live stock. Nellore is famous for its breed of cattle; cattle-breeding receives great attention, and the animals are very valuable and much in request in the surrounding districts, and form a considerable item of property.

Taluqs.	Estimates.
Ongole ...	Mortality very great; no estimate.
Kandukur ...	Past mortality one-twelfth; future half.
Kanigiri...	Three thousand have died; one-third of the remainder may die in future.
Udayagiri.	Mortality great; no estimate.
Kavali ...	Past mortality one-fourth; future mortality one-fourth.
Atmakur.	Do. do.
Nellore ...	Three-fourths have already died.
Rapur ...	Half have died and one-fourth may die in future.
Gudur ...	Five-eighths have died and three-sixteenths will die in future.
Darsi ...	Two-thirds have died; one-fifth may die hereafter; nearly the whole will die.
Podile ...	

Some have been sent to the Kistna District and to the hills, others to the villages on the coast where the pasturage is less plenty. They are also being fed on leaves of forest trees, of palmyra and date, and even on the thatch of roofs of houses. Nothing can be done by Government to mitigate the loss. Feeding with prickly-pear has been recommended, but it does not generally find favor with the ryots.

9. (d) *Water-supply.*—The rivers Pennair, Suvarna Mukhi, and Gundlakammin jungle streams, tanks and wells are the usual sources of drinking-water in the district. The rivers afford water in their sandy beds. The villages on the seaboard are stated to have a fair supply. The wells are going down, but there was enough drinking purposes at the date of the reports except in particular localities, chiefly in the north. In these places there was no absolute failure of water, but the people had to go some distance to procure it. Measures have been taken to clear and deepen wells wherever water shows signs of failing. The recent rains have been most opportune. The Pennair has received some good freshes, and the Board believe that there is now no cause for any serious apprehensions of scarcity of water.

10. (e) *Prices.*—The average weekly prices of rice and cholam, the principal food-grains, in seers of 80 tolahs for a Rupee in the months of October, November, and December of the current year, as compared with the average of the corresponding months of the previous five years, are shown below:—

	CHOLAM.		SECOND-SORT RICE.	
	1876.	Average of past 5 years.	1876.	Average of past 5 years.
October—				
1st week	22.9		13.1	
2nd "	20.4		12.3	
3rd "	16.9		11.0	
4th "	15.9		10.4	
Average ...	19.0	28.5	11.7	17.4
November—				
1st week	13.5		8.8	
2nd "	12.7		8.2	
3rd "	11.7		7.8	
4th "	10.0		7.1	
Average ...	12.0	28.3	8.0	17.1
December—				
1st week	9.6		6.8	
2nd "	9.1		6.4	
3rd "	9.1		6.6	
4th "	8.5		6.5	
Average ...	9.1	27.9	6.6	16.8

11. Since January three has been a tendency to a decline in prices.

	CHOLAM.		RICE, 2ND SORT.	
	1877.	Average of past five years.	1877.	Average of past five years.
January, 1st week	8.2		6.8	
" 2nd "	8.2		6.9	
" 3rd "	8.3		7.1	
" 4th "	8.5		7.3	
Average ...	8.3	29.5	7.0	18.0
February, 1st week	9.2		8.0	
" 2nd "	9.2		8.1	
" 3rd "	9.5		8.2	
17th " 4th "	9.5		8.1	
Average ...	9.4	28.4	8.1	16.9
March, 1st week	9.3		8.1	
" 2nd "	9.9		8.0	
" 3rd "	10.0		7.8	
" 4th "	10.0		7.9	
Average ...	9.8	27.9	8.0	15.6

The quotations for the Taluq stations on the 24th March were as follows:—

Stations.	Cholam.	Rice, 2nd sort.
Ongole	11.0	8.3
Kundakur	10.6	8.7
Kanigiri	8.7	7.9
Udayagiri	...	7.9
Kavali	10.0	8.5
Atmakur	8.0	7.0
Nellore	10.5	8.0
Rapur	7.9	7.0
Gudur	...	8.0

12. (f) *Stocks of Grain.*—No accurate information is available regarding the stock of grain in the district. It is however believed to be very small. The harvest of 1874 was a fair one, but in 1873 the crops were severely damaged by floods and in 1875 by drought. In the months of October, November, and December, too, a very large quantity of the stock in the district was exported to the Ceded Districts and Kurnool. There cannot therefore be much grain other than that which has come into the market. Rice it is said is being freely imported by sea from Cocanada and Balasore, and also by the East Coast Canal (which however is no longer navigable) and by land from Madras and Guntur. Kottapatam is the principal port at which grain is landed, and the supplies are thence distributed to the taluqs. Want of Railway communication between the several parts of the district is a great drawback, but the length of the sea-board is some compensation. Trade seems to be sufficiently active, and private enterprise may be relied upon to maintain supplies. The Collector does

not say whether the supply is being continuously maintained in the remote village markets, but presumably there is no difficulty at present. Owing to ample importations and the cessation of export to the Ceded Districts the prices have somewhat fallen, but no material decline in prices is anticipated till there is a secure prospect for local cultivation.

13. (g) *Character of Population.*—The population of the district according to the census of 1871, classified according to caste, is as follows:—

Hindus.	Brahmins	...	...	...	64,537
	Kshatrayas	...	...	...	12,090
	Chetties	...	...	...	64,802
	Others	...	...	...	1,169,238
Mahomedans	...	...	...	...	65,670
Europeans	...	...	...	...	101
Eurasians	...	...	...	...	237
Others	...	...	...	...	136
					1,376,811

The male adult population arranged with reference to profession is as follows:—

Learned Professions	...	...	...	11,921
Domestic	...	...	...	32,171
Commercial	...	...	...	31,019
Agricultural	...	...	...	2,00,360
Industrial	...	...	...	76,560
Laborers	...	...	...	118,249
Property holders	...	...	...	5,732
Non-productive	...	...	...	9,886
Others	...	...	...	8,634
				494,532

The majority of the population is agricultural and poor. There are, however some rich Reddies and merchants. The Ongole Taluq is a rich one, and relief works on any but a trifling scale have not been found necessary there. The Rajah of Venkatagiri and the Zemindar of Kalastry are two of the wealthiest land-holders. The estate of the Venkatagiri Rajah covers nearly one-fourth of the area of the whole district. He promised to spend two lakhs of Rupees on relief works, but after spending about 12,000 stopped the works, and it is believed that his professions of willingness to help his people will come to naught. A European officer has been lately deputed to inspect and report on the condition of his estate. The Zemindar of Kalastry has done nothing to help his tenants. Very little assistance can be looked for from other land-holders. Besides Ryotwari proprietors there are only a few small Poligars, generally in debt.

14. (h) *Emigration.*—There has been no emigration to any noticeable extent. A few have left for the Kistna District and have gone to Madras from the Venkatagiri Zemindari in the South. The Collector has notified to the people the advantages of emigration to the Mauritius and Natal where there is demand for labor, but further emigration to any large extent is not probable.

15. (i) *Relief Measures.*—The amount sanctioned on account of relief-works up to 24th March 1877 amounts to Rupees 9,53,000, and the probable cost of works actually taken up or sanctioned, to Rupees 5,70,432. The works undertaken will afford employment for the present except in the Zemindari tracts. They consist of the construction of roads, repair of tanks, and the improvement of water-supply. The district being deficient in village communications, a large number of these works have

been taken up. The extension of the East Coast Canal between the Pennar and Commanore Canal, to a distance of 82 miles, has been commenced, and laborers of this district are now admitted, as well as coolies from the Ceded Districts and Kurnool. This work alone is capable of employing 90,000 coolies for some months, but only about 30,000 are employed on it as the people are unwilling to leave the neighbourhood of their homes. In case of distress increasing, the work will meet fully the requirements of the district. In the Zemindari tracts there has been some difficulty in the selection of works. The irrigation works could not be undertaken by Government as they all belong to the Zemindars; and as regards roads, too, compensation has to be settled with the Zemindars for lands taken up. The Collector has been directed to use his best endeavors to have all persons in quest of employment drafted off to the East Coast Canal, and considerable numbers have already been transferred from the district works; this, it is hoped, will obviate the difficulty.

16. The following statement shows the number of persons on relief works and of those receiving gratuitous relief from 16th December, from which regular returns are available up to 24th March:—

Dates.	ON RELIEF WORKS.				ON GRATUITOUS RELIEF.			
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
16th December..	14,533	13,127	4,260	31,920	...	...	...	440
23rd " "	16,759	15,503	5,006	37,268	...	...	...	450
30th " "	20,156	17,637	6,060	43,853	36	365	378	1,111
6th January ...	24,290	21,992	6,130	52,412	...	...	...	3,400
13th " "	24,356	25,755	8,950	59,061	...	...	...	6,420
20th " "	24,768	25,310	9,235	59,313	...	...	...	7,956
27th " "	20,449	22,899	7,914	51,262	...	...	...	9,103
3rd February...	25,539	25,134	8,109	58,782	...	...	...	9,539
10th " "	25,418	24,319	7,239	57,006	...	...	...	5,406
17th " "	23,666	24,513	6,770	54,949	...	...	...	9,025
24th " "	17,474	19,252	5,663	42,389	...	...	...	5,953
3rd March ...	20,393	21,405	6,491	48,289	...	...	...	4,081
10th " "	23,565	24,303	6,678	54,546	...	...	...	5,204
17th " "	15,907	17,660	6,153	39,720	...	...	...	5,595
24th " "	13,290	16,691	5,153	35,134	...	...	...	6,613

These figures are exclusive of those employed on the East Coast Canal. Owing to stricter supervision and transfers to the canal there has been a large reduction in numbers. The expenditure on relief works up to 24th March has been Rupees 5,18,238,* and on gratuitous relief Rupees 46,200.

17. (j) *Charitable Relief.*—The village officers have been ordered to feed and send to the nearest poor-house all persons in danger of death by starvation. At all Sub-Magistrates' stations and in important villages poor-houses have been opened, in which cooked food is served out to infirm and destitute persons.

18. (k) *Estimates of Numbers on Relief Works, &c., for the future.*—The local officers estimate the numbers likely to be on the hands of Government on 1st May at

104,000 and on 1st July at 97,000; but the Board think that the estimates will not be realized. If good showers fall in the month of April, cultivation operations will be commenced and large numbers will desert the relief works. If there is no rain, the distress will certainly increase, and the present numbers may be doubled (70,000). It is difficult to estimate what the numbers will be if no rain falls in June. They will certainly be upwards of 100,000.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

Taluka.	Area.	Popula- tion.	Land Revenue demand for Pesh 1235 (Arrears and Current.)						Rough proportion of early and late culti- vation (Ryotwari.)				Average of actual cultivation during the last five years (Ryotwari.)					
			Permanently settled and Shrotrian Jodi.		Ryotwar and Mis- cellaneous.		Total.	Period.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	
			Arrears.	Current.	Arrears.	Current.												
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Onole ..	730	196,373	Rs. 630	Rs. 7,596	Rs. 12,217	Rs. 8,21,478	Rs. 3,41,921											
Kandukur ..	726	138,742	1,571	31,849	14,101	2,54,097	3,01,618											
Kanigiri ..	705	125,790	289	1,465	12,634	47,377	61,765											
Udayagiri ..	592	100,509	131	6,913	4,521	66,300	67,865											
Kavali ..	523	80,926	2,029	7,798	72,443	1,32,028	2,14,298											
Atmakur ..	506	104,443	3,128	5,449	89,068	1,78,984	2,80,629											
Nellore ..	828	182,824	6,692	18,371	2,72,906	2,05,336	5,93,207											
Gudur ..	820	142,344	6,333	13,529	1,63,947	50,835	2,466											
Repur ..	540	63,725	833	590	2	1,215	4,36,575											
Zamindari Divisions.							1,19,879											
Polar ..	185	50,686																
Venkatagiri ..	477	51,457																
Podila ..	405	62,018	21,405	3,77,103			3,98,508											
Darsi ..	488	73,218																
Total ..	7,495																	
Unsurveyed portion, Hills	967																	
Grand Total ..	8,462	1,674,012	43,041	4,84,937	6,52,576	16,37,617	28,18,231	April to Sept. Oct. to Dec. Jan. to Mar.	30.4 53.3 16.3	42.1 41.8 16.1	32.9 50.7 16.4	177,430	68,309	245,739	90,449	67,795	317,245	
No particulars of cultivation are available for Zamindari Divisions.																		

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ACTUAL CULTIVATION OF THE CURRENT YEAR (RYOTWARI).															
Talage.	AVERAGE OF ACTUAL CULTIVATION DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS (RYOTWARI).—(Continued).										October to December, North-East Monsoon.				Total.
	January to March			Total.			April to September, South-West Monsoon.			October to December, North-East Monsoon.					
	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.			
Ongele ..	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Kundur ..															
Kandagiri ..															
Udayagiri ..															
Kavali ..															
Atmakur ..															
Nelore ..															
Gudur ..															
Rapur ..															
Zemindari Divisions.															
Polar ..															
Venkatagiri ..															
Podile ..															
Darsi ..															
Total ..	95,779	26,974	121,753	582,658	162,079	744,737	118,799	48,248	167,047	105,632	23,929	129,563	224,433	72,177	296,610
Unsurveyed portion, Hills															
Grand Total ..															

Particulars not reported by Collector.

No particulars of cultivation are available for Zemindari Divisions.

Talage.	Average rain-fall during the last three years.					Rain-fall in the current year.				An estimate of the amount of the crop saved calculated in Annas on the assumption of an average yield being represented by twelve Annas; any profit of further sowings.	Remissions.			Remarks.
	April to September.		January to March.	Total.	April to September.	October to December.	Total.	Irrigated.	Unirrigated.		Dry.	Wet.	Total.	
	34	35	36	37	38	39	40							
Ongele ..	17.7	14.9	5	33.1	15.15	2.55	17.70	1 Anna.					1,57,000	* The Collector says that Rs. 59,000 can only be collected out of a demand of Rs. 4,66,000. But the demand for the Talage being only Rupees 3,14,000 Rupees 2,64,000 have been estimated as remissions.
Kundur ..	16.5	15.2	2.0	33.7	9.06	1.65	11.60	1 Anna.		98,887	75,353	1,71,240		
Kemigiri ..	15.7	8.7	3	24.7	5.65	1.65	7.30	2 Annas.				35,000		
Udayagiri ..	12.6	14.8	1.6	28.9	6.25	3.89	10.05	(a.) Only a Janna crop on a small area saved. Outturn will not exceed 2 Annas and will probably be nil. There are 2 crops yet due on a small area. Outturn may be 4 Annas.		25,886	9,114	35,000		
								(b.) Wet failure, dry, 2 Annas.		48,752	96,455	1,45,207		
Kavali ..	13.4	20.7	1.3		10.77	0.82	11.59	(b.) 1 Anna.				86,000	* The Collector says that Rs. 59,000 can only be collected out of a demand of Rs. 4,66,000. But the demand for the Talage being only Rupees 3,14,000 Rupees 2,64,000 have been estimated as remissions.	
Atmakur ..	13.1	20.8	.8		4.30	0.20	4.50	(b.) 1 Anna.				2,63,006		
Nellore ..	12.4	22.8	1.0		10.21	3.80	13.61	(b.) 3 Annas.				2,57,000		
Gudur ..	14.5	17.5	...		2.70	...	3.70	(b.) Wet, 1 Anna dry, 2 Annas.						
Rapur ..	16.7	24.8	...		6.95	2.55	9.60	(a.) In villages where there was fair water supply 2 Annas, the rest fallow.						
Zemindari Divisions.														
Polar ..	No particulars available.													Particulars not given by Collector.
Vandhatigiri ..	16.2	21.7	1.0	38.9	9.0	3.80	12.80	(b.) 4						
Pellie ..	No particulars available.													
Dasi ..	13.1	9.2	...	22.3	5.95	2.20	9.15							
Total.														
Unsurveyed portion, Hills ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Grand Total ..	14.4	20.2	1.1	35.7	9.34	2.09	11.43						1,18,093	

Nellore Prices of principal Food Grains.

Taluk.	Names of Food Grains.	October 1876.				November 1876.				December 1876.				Average for the past 5 years in December.	Average for the past 5 years in part of year.
		Average for the past 5 years in October.				Average for the past 5 years in November.				Average for the past 5 years in December.					
		1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.	1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.	1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.		
1. Gudur	Rice, 2nd sort	14-00	12-50	12-00	11-00	20-50	8-00	7-50	6-50	20-00	6-50	6-50	6-50	19-85	19-87
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	31-85	...	...	...	29-60	...	...	...	29-10	31-31
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	27-00	...	...	...	32-27	...	...	...	32-00	33-37
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	33-75	...	...	...	34-58	...	...	...	33-00	34-91
2. Rapur	Rice, 2nd sort	13-00	13-00	11-00	10-00	16-55	9-30	7-00	7-00	16-19	7-00	7-00	6-12	16-10	16-60
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	27-21	12-25	9-00	7-87	28-78	7-75	7-37	7-87	26-20	27-12
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	15-75	...	...	...	32-46	8-75	8-75	8-75	30-30	29-31
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	21-00	14-00	10-50	8-75	32-76	7-00	6-23	6-50	31-85	31-85
3. Nellore	Rice, 2nd sort	22-75	21-50	21-00	21-00	33-44	14-00	13-00	8-00	19-20	7-00	6-50	6-50	19-15	17-94
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	18-00	...	...	...	28-00	8-00	7-25	7-25	26-65	28-87
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	22-00	11-00	7-50	8-00	29-30	8-00	7-25	7-25	27-33	29-50
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	31-80	...	...	...	32-05	8-00	7-25	7-25	29-60	32-94
4. Atmakur	Rice, 2nd sort	12-50	11-50	11-00	10-00	19-75	7-00	7-00	6-00	17-75	6-00	6-00	6-00	18-75	19-30
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	8-75	13-00	11-00	11-00	31-60	11-00	10-00	8-00	29-00	29-62
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	32-73	13-00	11-00	10-50	25-00	12-00	11-00	9-00	29-00	33-87
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	30-00	11-00	12-00	13-00	85-00	7-00	6-60	7-00	33-00	37-12
5. Kaval	Rice, 2nd sort	23-00	19-00	14-00	14-00	36-35	11-00	12-00	13-00	19-40	7-00	6-60	7-00	17-05	18-75
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	13-10	8-25	8-50	7-50	18-35	9-00	8-00	8-00	28-35	29-40
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	30-00	14-00	13-00	13-00	30-00	9-00	8-00	8-00	17-05	18-75
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	18-50	14-00	13-00	13-00	28-11	10-75	10-50	10-50	28-35	29-40
6. Udayagiri	Rice, 2nd sort	25-50	20-00	16-00	16-00	31-35	16-00	13-00	12-50	33-35	10-00	10-00	9-00	32-50	33-12
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	21-60	13-00	14-00	12-00	34-25	10-00	9-00	9-00	32-50	33-12
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	18-12	13-00	13-00	13-00	17-66	4-75	5-25	5-25	16-68	17-37
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	37-19	12-25	12-25	9-00	27-97	9-12	7-30	7-30	26-95	28-87
7. Kandukur	Rice, 2nd sort	20-00	19-25	15-75	14-80	38-00	...	10-00	9-75	36-79	9-00	9-12	7-30	31-40	33-51
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	26-27	13-12	13-12	10-50	33-74	7-25	7-25	7-40	31-15	33-13
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	15-55	12-00	10-00	9-00	15-17	10-75	10-50	10-50	27-15	27-62
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	27-93	16-00	13-00	12-50	28-11	10-75	10-50	10-50	27-15	27-62
8. Kanigiri	Rice, 2nd sort	32-00	32-00	21-00	21-00	31-35	16-00	13-00	12-50	33-35	10-00	10-00	9-00	31-60	33-60
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	24-54	17-00	7-00	6-75	34-31	6-50	6-50	6-50	14-75	14-87
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	15-03	7-25	7-25	7-40	14-59	10-50	10-50	10-50	29-30	30-37
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	96-25	14-00	12-25	12-25	28-00	10-50	10-50	10-50	25-82	27-76
9. Ongole	Rice, 2nd sort	24-50	24-50	21-00	18-60	27-90	14-00	13-00	10-50	33-64	10-50	10-50	10-50	27-82	28-69
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	31-27	15-75	14-00	10-50	38-27	7-00	7-40	7-40	14-45	14-92
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	14-40	8-00	8-75	7-00	18-78	8-75	8-75	8-75	27-20	28-12
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	24-44	18-00	12-25	10-50	24-56	10-50	8-75	8-75	26-35	26-87
10. Davi	Rice, 2nd sort	31-00	31-00	27-00	24-00	28-50	20-50	17-00	12-25	27-87	10-50	10-00	9-20	26-35	26-87
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	32-30	23-59	21-00	...	31-12	...	...	...	30-65	33-19
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	14-90	...	...	...	14-20	7-0	...	7-0	14-20	14-20
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	22-32	...	...	...	26-82	...	...	...	26-82	27-5
	...	...	...	...	...	19-99	...	...	...	27-82	...	...	...	27-5	27-5
	...	...	...	...	...	21-67	...	...	...	29-67	...	...	...	30-92	30-92

11. Podile	Rice, 2nd sort	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12. Venkatagiri	Rice, 2nd sort	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13. Polur	Rice, 2nd sort	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44	13-44
	Cholam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Cumboo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Ragi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Monthly averages alone are available for the months of October and November 1877 for Zemindari Divisions. The average of the previous four years is given for comparison.

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Taluk	Grants of Funds sanctioned for Relief Works up to 24th March 1877.	Probable cost of Works on execution.	OUTLAY SINCE THE COMMENCEMENT OF DISTRESS.			NUMBER OF COOLIES EMPLOYED ON 24th MARCH 1877.			NUMBER OF PERSONS ON GRATUITOUS RELIEF ON 24th MARCH 1877.			ESTIMATES OF THE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON 1st JULY.		
			On Relief Works.	Gratuitous Relief.		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Children.	Total.	On Works.	On Gratuitous Relief.
Gudalur	...	38,593	26,000	6,220	615	881	331	1,857	134	132	514	...	...	3,000
Madurai	...	26,135	19,000	3,569	64	96	59	210	...	...	...	...	...	6,000
Melore	...	12,632	12,622	3,492	604	604	180	1,157	113	648	1,019	8,500	2,000	4,500
Alankur	...	97,495	90,700	15,207	2,100	2,707	608	5,505	122	425	867	15,000	2,000	18,000
Kavali	...	95,750	91,103	7,193	3,74	890	890	8,008	284	840	1,560	19,000	4,000	23,000
Udayagiri	...	1,15,387	1,13,402	1,677	3,145	5,053	1,877	10,075	158	354	901	20,000	700	21,500
Kandakur	...	90,225	86,281	3,492	609	808	178	1,558	77	210	381	5,000	...	5,000
Kanigiri	...	34,000	32,095	712	861	1,094	321	2,276	75	174	23	15,000	1,000	16,000
Ongole	...	790	177	1,685	13	...	...	13	60	80	99	...	1,000	1,000
Addanki Division	...	9,720	8,455	243	427	730	243	1,400	14	20	9	...	...	...
Zemindar Divisions.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darsi Division	...	8,000	7,115	8	221	356	131	703	...	...	...	...	300	5,140
Podile do.	...	6,000	4,050	584	723	326	135	1,184	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Zemindari Tracts	...	34,000	26,485	3,343	410	516	202	1,128	...	...	690	Not Reported.	...	...
Total	9,53,000	8,70,432	5,18,226	45,200	13,200	16,691	5,153	35,134	...	...	5,813	...	...	1,03,940
														97,849

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No. 662.

ORDER THEREON, 26th April 1877.

Miscellaneous.

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(True Extract.)

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Additional Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Financial Department.
,, the Public Works Department.
,, the Accountant-General.

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REVENUE

THE BOARD OF REVENUE

26th April 1877

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Taluk

Grants of funds for relief work to 26th March 1877
 Probable cost of sanctioned works or for relief work to 26th March 1877
 Outlay made on the contract works of 26th March 1877
 Number of coolies employed on 24th March 1877

Number of persons on gratuitous relief on 24th March 1877
 Estimate of the no. of persons in 1871 May
 Estimate of the number of persons in 1871 July

Gudur	38698	26600	6220	645	881	331	185	134	248	132	514		3000		3000
Rajapur	26135	19092	2399	64	96	50	210	"	"	"	"		6000		
Nellore	13632	12622	3492	364	604	189	115	113	263	643	1019	2500	2000	4500	7500
Atmakur	97495	90700	15207	2100	2797	608	5503	122	260	425	807	15000	3000	18000	25000
Kavali	96750	91163	7133	3748	3430	890	875	284	436	840	1560	19000	4000	23000	43000
Udayagiri	115387	113402	1677	3145	5053	1877	10,008	158	389	354	901	20600	700	21300	18540
Kandukur	90225	86281	3492	569	808	17	15,55	77	210	281	568	5000		5000	
Kangiri	34000	32095	712	861	1094	21	2276	75	174	23	272	15000	1000	16000	
Chigole	740	177	1685	13	"	"	15	50	88	99	237		1000	1000	
Addanki Dora	9720	8453	248	427	730	243	1400	14	20	9	43				
Lemunday Dora	8000	7115	8	221	356	131	706	"	"	"	"				
Darsi															
Podile	5600	4050	584	723	326	135	1184	"	"	"	"				
Other Lemunday Dora	34000	26488	3343	410	576	202	1128					670	not reported		
Total	953000	570432	518238	46200	15290	16691	5155	35134	6613			102940			97040

Revenue Board Office
 Madras
 7th April 1877

Revenue
 Secretary

Income in
 Rs 10 Lakhs
 less 6 Lakhs
 Balance Rs 4 Lakhs

Rs 2
 72357

Recd by A. 26 April 177
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Debit

Credit

Dry Wet Total

157000

98887 75353 174240

36000

25886 9114 35000

1950 245 115207

264000x

Particulars 86000

not given by Collectors 263606

257000

1448053

The Collector says that Rs 50000
 can only be collected out of a
 demand of Rs 450000, but the demand
 for the Saluk being
 only Rs 314000, Rs 264000
 have been entered as
 Debit

Recd by Office
 Madras
 4 April 1865

M. S. S.
 Secretary

Increase in
 No. of houses
 May 6/1911
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No. 2
 72357

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Actual cultivation of the current year
 (ryotwari)

April to September to December Total

S.W. monsoon N.E. monsoon

Average rainfall
 during the last 3 years

Rainfall in the
 current year

An estimate of the
 amount (if any) of
 the crop saved col-
 lected in areas
 on the assumption of
 an average yield being
 represented by 12 annas
 any product of fine third
 sowings

dry not total dry not total dry not total April to September to December Total April to September to December Total Irrigated Unirrigated

Particulars not reported by collector

17.7 14.9 .5 33.1 15.15 2.55 17.70 1/2 anna
 16.5 15.2 2.0 33.7 9.95 1.65 11.60 1 anna
 15.7 8.7 .3 24.7 5.65 1.65 7.30 (a) 2 annas
 12.6 14.8 1.5 22.9 6.25 3.80 10.05 (a) 2 annas
 13.1 30.7 1.3 45.4 10.77 0.82 11.59 (a) 2 annas
 13.1 26.2 .8 36.7 4.30 0.20 4.50 (b) 1/2 anna
 12.4 22.8 1.0 36.2 10.21 3.30 13.57 (b) 1/2 anna
 14.5 17.5 " 32.0 2.70 " 2.70 (b) 1/2 anna
 15.7 24.8 5 44.0 6.95 2.65 9.60 (b) 1/2 anna
 no information

16.2 21.7 1.0 38.9 9.0 3.80 12.80 (b) 4 annas
 13.1 9.2 " 22.3 6.95 2.20 9.15

14.4 20.2 1.1 35.8 9.34 2.09 11.43

118799 48268 167047 105634 23929 120563 224633 72177 296610

(a) There was no total for the
 - taking the proportion of total
 out from saved & that
 of an ordinary year
 (b) In these cases it is not clear
 whether the estimates shown
 merely the outturn of such
 land only as yielded anything
 or are meant to include the
 proportion of the total outturn
 of an ordinary year. If
 it is presumed that the latter
 is meant

83309 265739309449 67796 37245 95779 25974 121753 582658 162979 700

to particulars of cultivation are available for
 elementary divisions

Particulars not reported by collector

Net Total Day Wet Total Day Wet Total Day Wet Total

April to September
 October to December
 January to March
 Total

Average of actual cultivation during the last five
 (years)

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Native Prices of principal food grains

Salaga	Names of food grains	October 1876		November 1876		December 1876		Average for the year
		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	1st	2nd	
1 Gudra	Rice 2 nd Sort	14.00	12.50	12.00	11.00	20.50	8.50	7.50
	Cholam	"	"	"	"	31.85	"	"
	Umbur	"	"	"	"	27.00	"	"
	Pagi	24.00	24.00	"	"	33.75	"	"
2 Rapra	Rice 2 nd Sort	13.00	13.00	11.00	10.50	16.55	9.30	9.40
	Cholam	19.25	17.75	16.00	15.75	27.21	12.25	11.75
	Umbur	22.75	21.50	21.00	21.00	30.69	14.00	13.00
	Pagi	22.75	21.50	21.00	21.00	32.44	4.00	13.00
3. Nallora	Rice 2 nd Sort	"	"	"	"	18.60	"	7.50
	Cholam	22.25	16.00	16.00	"	28.03	11.00	11.00
	Umbur	"	"	"	"	22.00	"	"
	Pagi	25.50	"	20.00	"	31.80	11.00	"
4. Nallora	Rice 2 nd Sort	12.50	11.50	8.75	8.75	19.75	7.00	7.00
	Cholam	22.00	16.00	13.00	13.00	32.78	10.50	10.50
	Umbur	"	"	"	"	30.00	"	"
	Pagi	"	"	"	"	30.00	"	"

K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	13.00	10.00	9.75	9.00	16.10	8.25	7.00	8.50	7.50	18.35	7.00	6.50	7.00	17.05	18.75
	Wholam	23.50	17.50	14.00	14.00	30.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	10.50	20.00	9.00	8.00	8.00	28.50	29.00
	Cumblu	18.50	15.50	18.00	"	14.00	13.00	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	Ragi	25.50	20.00	24.25	18.00	34.10	14.00	13.00	14.00	12.00	34.25	10.20	10.00	9.00	32.50	33.14
K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	"	"	"	"	18.12	"	"	"	"	17.56	"	4.75	5.25	5.25	16.66
	Wholam	18.00	17.50	14.00	13.50	27.79	12.25	12.25	"	9.00	27.97	"	"	"	"	26.95
	Cumblu	"	"	"	"	38.00	"	"	10.00	7.75	36.79	"	"	"	"	31.40
	Ragi	20.00	19.25	15.75	14.80	36.27	13.12	13.12	10.50	10.50	34.74	7.00	9.12	7.50	7.50	31.15
K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	15.00	15.00	12.00	12.00	15.56	12.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	15.17	7.75	7.25	7.25	7.40	15.70
	Wholam	27.00	27.00	16.00	16.00	27.99	16.00	12.00	12.50	12.50	28.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.75	15.27
	Cumblu	32.00	32.00	21.00	21.00	34.54	24.00	17.00	"	"	33.35	"	"	"	"	31.60
	Ragi	"	"	"	"	31.35	"	"	"	"	33.35	"	"	"	"	34.05
K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	11.25	11.25	10.50	9.50	15.02	7.25	7.25	7.00	6.75	14.59	6.50	6.75	6.50	6.50	14.75
	Wholam	24.50	24.50	19.25	18.60	26.25	14.00	14.00	12.25	10.50	28.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	29.30
	Cumblu	24.50	24.50	21.00	18.60	27.90	14.00	14.00	12.25	10.50	32.34	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	29.30
	Ragi	24.50	24.50	22.75	18.60	31.27	15.75	14.00	10.50	10.50	33.27	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	27.85
K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	14.40	10.00	8.00	8.75	7.00	13.78	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	14.45
	Wholam	27.00	27.00	21.00	21.00	24.44	18.50	16.00	12.25	10.50	24.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	27.20
	Cumblu	31.00	31.00	24.00	24.00	28.50	10.50	17.00	12.25	10.50	27.87	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	26.55
	Ragi	30.00	30.00	26.00	26.00	32.80	23.50	21.00	"	"	31.12	"	10.00	9.20	20.05	27.85
K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	"	"	"	"	14.20	"	"	"	"	14.20	"	7.0	"	7.0	14.20
	Wholam	22.32	23.4	"	"	24.85	"	"	"	"	24.85	"	"	"	"	26.88
	Cumblu	19.99	24.90	"	"	27.82	"	"	"	"	27.82	"	"	"	"	27.5
	Ragi	21.37	29.80	"	"	29.87	12.25	11.50	"	"	14.85	12.25	11.50	"	4.50	30.92
K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	10.50	13.72	"	"	12.50	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	12.50	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	14.0
	Wholam	18.48	26.2	"	"	25.16	12.25	8.75	8.75	8.75	25.16	12.25	8.75	8.75	8.75	29.90
	Cumblu	16.94	31.5	"	"	25.20	12.25	8.75	8.75	8.75	25.20	12.25	8.75	8.75	8.75	26.20
	Ragi	20.14	24.3	"	"	19.85	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	19.85	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	24.40
K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	13.92	30.10	"	"	29.75	7.0	7.25	7.75	7.0	29.75	7.0	7.25	7.75	7.0	31.0
	Wholam	12.47	33.0	"	"	33.35	10.5	8.75	8.75	8.75	33.35	10.5	8.75	8.75	8.75	31.0
	Cumblu	16.20	33.60	"	"	33.35	8.0	8.50	8.50	8.50	33.35	8.0	8.50	8.50	8.50	31.0
	Ragi	11.60	16.55	"	"	16.5	8.0	8.50	8.50	8.50	16.5	8.0	8.50	8.50	8.50	16.5
K. -	Rice 2 nd Sort	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	Wholam	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	Cumblu	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	Ragi	12.82	33.60	"	"	32.63	"	"	"	"	32.63	"	"	"	"	30.78

* N.B. Monthly averages are available for the months of October and November for primary divisions. The average of the previous 4 years is given for comparison.

Revenue Board
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7th April 1877

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Enclosure in Board's
Proceedings dated
7th April 1877 to the
Additional Secretary
to Government R. S.

Willow

Prize of Municipal Food
grains.

14. 11. 1877

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Date 7th April 1877

Read letters from the Collector of Chellore submitting Salegwar reports on the state of the district

Date 15th January 1877 Rs. 254.
 " 20th January 1877 Rs. 381.
 " 6th February 1877 Rs. 582.
 " 19th February 1877 Rs. 880.
 " 21st February 1877 Rs. 906.
 " 2nd March 1877 Rs. 958.
 " 16th March 1877 Rs. 1115.
 " 16th March 1877 Rs. 1148.

The Board submit to Government the following review of the reports received from the Chellore District regarding the condition of the several Salegs in connection with the present famine, together with 3 statements showing (1) the area of

Rev. 1877 Rs. 474

7 Rs. 2357

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

8th April 1877

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Rs. 319

Rs. 3100

Rs. 26

Rs. 117

Rs. 17

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of cultivation, rainfall, the
estimated outturn of crops
and the probable remissions
(2) the course of prices and (3)
the expenditure on relief opera-
tions.

2. The area of the District
is about 8462 square miles and
the population 1374000. It is
divided into 9 Government
Talukhs and 4 Zemindary Divi-
sions. All the 4 Zemindary
Divisions belong to the estate
of the Rajah of Venkatasagiri
and contain an area of 1556
miles and a population of 215444.
The realizable Government demand
of the District ^{was} in 1885 a little
over 28 lakhs of Rupees of which
5 1/4 lakhs appertained to permanently
settled

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settled estates ~~and~~ shabrier
villages and the remainder for
ryotwari lands.

3. The season in 1885
was very unfavorable owing to
deficient rainfall and the yield
of the wet crops especially in the
south western part of the District
was far below the average. The
dry crops however yielded fairly
and there was no great distress
among the population excepting
that arising from mortality
of cattle which was very great
owing to insufficient pasturage
and deficiency of drinking water.
The failure of the S. W. monsoon
succeeding a year of bad harvest
and retarding cultivation opera-
tions caused suffering and the
famine.

First indication of it appeared
in the Western portion of the
Kavali taluk in August 1876
when relief works on a small
scale were immediately opened.
A good fall of rain at the end
of that month seemed to im-
prove matters but none having
fallen subsequently the pressure
increased. By the end of October
the condition of Elumatur and
Mangajiri Taluks became
critical and when the N.E.
monsoon which is due at the
end of October or the beginning
of November totally failed, the
distress resulting from want
of employment to the poorer
classes became widespread
and was much intensified by

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Rainfall,
Cultivation &
Outturn of
Crops

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by the high prices which pre-
vailed in consequence of the
severe famine in the adjacent
districts of Hurnoor, Budda-
pah and Bellary whence an
enormous demand fell upon
the Nellore stocks.

4. (a) The average rainfall
during the last 3 years was 35.8 in
of which 14.4 fell during the S.W.
monsoon or between the months
of April to September and 20.2
in during the N.E. monsoon
or between October to December.
In the present year the rainfall
under the S.W. monsoon has
been only 9.3 and under the N.E.
2.1 inches. In the months of Janu-
ary & February .7 inches against
an average of 1.1 inch. In no
Taluk

Salsette except Ongole has the rain fall of 1896 been half the average, in Godavari it was less than $\frac{1}{10}$ and in estuaries than $\frac{1}{8}$.

5. The Collector has not yet reported the particulars of cultivation in each Taluq although these have been more than once called for. The information is now daily expected and the particulars when received will be communicated to Government. The average cultivation during the last 5 years was 7,44,737 acres of which 22 percent or rather less than one fourth is wet and the remainder dry. The distribution of cultivation between the two seasons is as follows:-

	Dry	Wet	Total
S.W. Monsoon, from April to September	1,774,300	68,309	2,45,739
N.E. Monsoon from Oct. to Decr.	3,094,490	67,796	3,77,245
Janry. to March.	957,779	25,974	1,21,753
Total	5,826,569	1,62,079	7,44,737

The crops of the District comprising the Ongole, Kanigiri, and Mandur Taluqs and the Tadile and Darsi Divisions depends chiefly on the S.W. Monsoon. The remainder receives both monsoons, but the principal dry crops are matured under the N.E. Monsoon rains. In the current year the cultivation has been:-

	Dry	Wet	Total
From April to Sept.	1,187,990	48,248	1,67,047
Oct. to Decr.	1,056,340	239,229	1,29,569
Total	2,244,330	721,777	2,96,607

The cultivation for the months of January and February amounts to 79,000 acres - 74,000 dry & 5,000 wet. That for March has not been reported but it cannot have been very great. There was then a decrease of about $\frac{1}{3}$ in dry & wet cultivation under

under the S. W. Monsoon. Under
the S. E. Monsoon, the decrease
was much larger amounting
to nearly two thirds in the months
October, November & December,
and if the figures of the subse-
quent months be added, the
decrease is nearly $\frac{3}{5}$ and less
than half the normal area has
been brought under the plough-
6.

The outturn of crops
reported for the Salukis varies
from 4 annas to 1. This how-
ever represents in some cases only
the outturn of land that
yielded a crop and takes no
account of land not cultivated
& of those which though cultivated
yielded no crop whatever. It
is a maximum estimate of
outturn

outturn in the cultivated land
4 annas is probably correct, but
on looking into the relative propor-
tions for the different Salukis
the estimates do not seem to be
very reliable. The rainfall
was greater in Ongole than in
the Kanigiri Saluk and still
a large outturn is estimated
for the latter. No information
is available regarding the out-
turn of crops in the Zemindary
Divisions of Tentakajiri and
Polur, but it cannot differ
much from that of the adjacent
Government Salukis of Rapur
and Gudur. There was almost
entire failure of wet crops
in the District unless under
The exceptions were parts of
Ongole

Ongole in the North, some
 villages along the seacoast
 and parts of the Southern Taluk.
 The crops under wells alone
 were saved to any material
 extent. The yields of such dry
 crops as were not totally lost
 were very scanty. Owing to a
 large extent of well cultivation
 however the Zamindari
 Divisions of Podile and Darni
 appear to have fared better
 than the rest of the District.
 There will be on the whole a
 fair crop of ragi in these Divi-
 sions. There are no materials
 to form an estimate of the
 absolute proportion of total
 outturn of the District in 1877
 as compared with an ordinary
 year

year. The Board would give 2 annas
 as an extreme estimate of the yield
 on the whole. The District has,
 owing to the failure of the S.E.
 Monsoon suffered very heavily.
 (b) The Local officers estimate
 of remissions amount to Rs. 14,18,000.
 The Collector's estimate is $\frac{3}{4}$ of the
 net ryotwar demand of Sasli 1285
 or Rs. 10,68,000. In Sasli 1285 nearly
 2 lakhs were remitted on account
 of loss of crops, so that the Collector's
 estimate amounts really to Rs. 12,68,000.
 The estimates were framed before
 the recent rules on the subject were
 issued and evidently contemplate
 the remission of the whole assess-
 ment in dry waste and withered
 crops. The remissions estimated
 are excessive and in the case of
 Kavali, the figures furnished
 are

are absolutely wrong being
greater than the demand for
Fuel 1285. The Board do not
think that the remissions will
exceed 9 lakhs.

8/8. The estimates furnished of cattle
of mortality of cattle in the
several Talukhs are as shown
in the margin. These estimates

are probably in some
instances exaggerated
but there is no doubt
but that the mortality
has been very great
and has caused great
distress. About 25
percent have proba-
bly already died.
The agriculturists
cattle will here, as
elsewhere, be saved, if
possible. There have been heavy

Talukhs	Estimates
Angole.	Mortality very great, no estimate
Kandukur.	Past mortality $\frac{1}{2}$ future $\frac{1}{2}$
Kanigiri	3000 have died, $\frac{1}{3}$ of the remainders may die in future.
Magapuri.	Mortality great, no estimate
Kavali.	Past mortality $\frac{1}{4}$; future mortality $\frac{1}{4}$
Attur.	Do
Kellur.	$\frac{3}{4}$ have already died
Rajamahendravaram.	$\frac{1}{2}$ have died $\frac{1}{4}$ may die in future
Indur.	$\frac{1}{8}$ have died & $\frac{7}{8}$ will die in future
Darsi.	$\frac{2}{3}$ have died, $\frac{1}{3}$ may die hereafter.
Podile.	Nearly the whole will die

showers in the end of March, which
are described as ensuring the water
supply of the Kellur and central
Talukhs and have greatly improved
the prospects of live stock. Kellur
is famous for its breed of cattle,
cattle breeding receives great atten-
tion and the animals are very
valuable and much in request
in the surrounding Districts, and
form a considerable item of property.
Some have been sent to the Kistna
District and to the hills, others to
the villages on the coast where
the pasturage is less scanty.
They are also being fed on leaves
of forest trees of palmyra and
date and even on the thatch
of roofs of houses. Nothing can
be done by Government to miti-
gate the loss. Feeding with paddy
pear

pear has been recommended,
but it does not generally find
favour with the ryots.

The rivers Pennair, ^{Water}
Sivamamunthi & Gundakannam
Jungle streams, tanks and wells
are the usual sources of drink-
ing water in the District. The
rivers afford water in their sandy
beds. The villages in the sea

board are stated to have a
fair supply. The wells are going
down but there was enough for
drinking purposes at the date
of the reports except in particular
localities, chiefly in the North.

In these places too, there was no
absolute failure of water,
but the people had to go some
distance to procure it. Measures
have

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Have been taken to clear and
deepen wells wherever water shows
signs of failing. The recent rains
have been most opportune.
Pennair has received some good
freshes and the Board believe
that there is now no cause for
any serious apprehensions of
scarcity of water.

Prices. 10. (2)

The average weekly
prices of rice and cholam the
principal food grains in the
of 80 talahs for a Purped in the
months of October, November
and December of the current year
as compared with the average
of the corresponding months of
the previous 5 years are shown

below

below.

	Cholera		2 nd Fort Rice	
	1876	Average last 5 years	1876	Average of last 5 years
October				
1 st week	22.9		13.1	
2 nd "	20.4		12.3	
3 rd "	16.9		11.0	
4 th "	15.9		10.4	
Average	19.0	20.5	11.7	17.4
November				
1 st week	13.5		8.8	
2 nd "	12.7		8.2	
3 rd "	11.7		7.8	
4 th "	10.0		7.1	
Average	12.0	20.3	8.0	17.1
December				
1 st week	9.6		6.8	
2 nd "	9.1		6.4	
3 rd "	9.1		6.6	
4 th "	8.5		6.5	
Average	9.1	27.9	6.6	16.8

11. Since January there has been a tendency for it

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decline in prices

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	Cholera		2 nd Fort Rice	
	1877	Average of last 5 years	1877	Average of last 5 years
January				
1 st week	8.2		6.8	
2 nd "	8.2		6.9	
3 rd "	8.3		7.1	
4 th "	8.5		7.3	
Average	8.3	29.5	7.0	18.0
February				
1 st week	9.2		8.0	
2 nd "	9.2		8.1	
3 rd "	9.5		8.2	
4 th "	9.5		8.1	
Average	9.4	28.4	8.1	16.9
March				
1 st week	9.3		8.1	
2 nd "	9.9		8.0	
3 rd "	10.0		7.8	
4 th "	10.0		7.9	
Average	9.8	27.9	8.0	15.6

The quotations for the Saluk stations on the 24th March were as follows:-

Station	Cholera	2 nd Fort Rice
Angale	11.0	8.3
Kundukur	10.6	8.7
Hanijiri	9.7	7.9
Madayapi	"	7.9
Kavali	10.0	8.5
Atmakur	8.0	7.0
Nellore	10.5	8.0
Rapur	7.7	7.0
Undur	"	8.0

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No accurate information is available regarding the stock of grain in the District. It is however believed to be very small. The harvest of 1874 was a fair one but in 1873 the crops were severely damaged by flood and in 1875 by drought. In the months of October, November and December too, a very large quantity of the stock in the District was exported to the Ceded districts and Kurrumool. There cannot therefore be much grain other than that which has come into the market. Rice it is said is being freely imported by sea from Cochin and Balasore and also by the East Coast Canal (which however is no longer navigable) and by

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by land from Ellandur and Quindoor. Kottapattam is the principal port at which grain is landed and the supplies are thence distributed to the Talukks. Want of railway communication between the several parts of the District is a great drawback but the length of the sea board is some compensation. Trade seems to be sufficiently active & private enterprise may be relied upon to maintain supplies. The Collector does not say whether the supply is being continuously maintained in the remote village markets but presumably there is no difficulty at present. Owing to ample importations and the cessation of export to the Ceded District.

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 District the prices have some-
 what fallen but no material
 decline in prices is anticipated
 till there is a secure prospect
 for local cultivation.

(19) The population of the District according to the Census of 1871 classified according to caste is as follows:

Character
of Population

Hindus -	
Brahmins -	64,537
Kshatriyas -	12,090
Chetties -	64,882
Others -	11,69,238
Mahomedans -	65,670
Europeans -	101
Eurasians -	237
Others -	136
	<hr/> 13,76,811

The male adult population arranged with reference to Profession is as follows:

Learned Professions -	11,921
Domestic -	32,171
Commercial -	31,019
Agricultural -	200,360
Industrial -	76,560
Labourers -	118,249
Property holders -	57,320
Non-productive -	9,886
Others -	86,340
	<hr/> 4,94,532

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 The majority of the population is agricultural and poor. There are however some rich raddies and merchants. The Ongole Taluk is a rich one and Relief works on any but a trifling scale have not been found necessary there. The Rajah of Venkatagiri and the Zamindar of Kalachy are two of the wealthiest land holders. The estate of the Venkatagiri Rajah covers nearly $\frac{1}{4}$ of the area of the whole district. He promises to spend 2 lakhs of Rupees on relief works but after spending about 12,000 stopped the work and it is believed that his professions of willingness to help his people will come for nothing. A European officer has been lately appointed to inspect and

and report on the condition of
his estate. The Zemindar of Madras
has done nothing to help his
peasants. Very little assistance
can be looked for from other land
holders. Besides ryotwari pro-
prietors, there are only a few
small taluqars, generally in
debt.

There has been no
immigration to any noticeable
extent. A few have left for
the Kistna District and have
gone to Madras from the Kistna
ryotwari zemindary in the south.
The Collector has notified
to the people the advantages
of immigration to the Mauritius
and Natal where there is
demand for labour, but
further immigration to any large
extent is not probable.

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Relief measures
(i)

The amount sanctioned
on account of relief works up
to 31st March 1877 amounts to
Rs. 9,53,000 and the probable
cost of works actually taken
up or sanctioned, to Rs. 5,40,432.
The works undertaken will afford
employment for the present except
in the zemindary tracts. They
consist of the construction of
roads, repair of tanks and the
improvement of water supply.
The District being deficient in
village communications a
large number of these works
have been taken up. The open-
ing of the East Coast Canal
between the Ponnai & Coimbatore
canal a distance of
82 miles has been commenced
and labourers of the District
are

are now admitted as well as
coolies from the Ceded District
and Kurnool. This work alone
is capable of employing 90,000
coolies for some months but
only about 30,000 are employed
on it as the people are unwilling
to leave the neighbourhood
of their homes. In case of
distress increasing the work
will meet fully the require-
ments of the District. In the
Zemindari tracts there has
been some difficulty in the
selection of work. The irregu-
lar work can't be made
taken by Government as they
all belong to the Zemindars
and as regards roads too com-
pensation has to be settled
with the Zemindars for land
taken.

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taken up. The Collector has
been directed to use his best
endeavour to have all persons
in quest of employment draft-
ed off to the Great Coast Canal
and considerable numbers have
already been transferred from
the District works. Thus it is hoped
will obviate the difficulty.
16. The following
statement shows the num-
ber of persons on relief
works and of those receiving
gratuitous relief from
1st December from
which regular returns are
available up to 24th
closed

March 1-

Date	On Relief Works				On gratuitous Relief			
	Men	Women	Children	Total	Men	Women	Children	Total
Dec 1	14533	13127	4260	31920	"	"	"	4440
22	16759	15303	5006	37268	"	"	"	450
30	20156	17637	5660	43453	368	365	378	1111
6 Jan	24390	21992	6130	52412	"	"	"	3400
13	24356	25755	8950	59061	"	"	"	6420
20	24768	26310	9235	59313	"	"	"	7956
27	20449	20899	7914	57262	"	"	"	9103
3 Feb	25539	25734	8709	59982	"	"	"	9539
10 Feb	26448	24319	7239	57996	"	"	"	5456
17	23666	24513	6770	54949	"	"	"	9025
24	17474	19252	5663	42389	"	"	"	5953
3 March	20393	21405	6691	48489	"	"	"	4081
10	23565	24303	6678	54546	"	"	"	5204
17	15907	17660	6153	39720	"	"	"	5695
24	13290	16691	5153	35134	"	"	"	6613

These figures are exclusive of those employed on the East Pakistan Survey for tribute supervision & transfers to the Canal. There has been a large reduction in numbers. The expenditure on relief works up to 24 March has been Rs 578208 and on gratuitous relief Rs 46200 - The

Hand... 425683
Inj... 62641
W... 29914
Miscellaneous... 578208

Charitable relief

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The village officers have been ordered to feed and send to the nearest poor house all persons in danger of death by starvation. At all sub-Magistrate's stations and in important villages, poor houses have been opened in which cooked food is served out to infirm & destitute persons.

Estimates of numbers on relief works for the future.

The local officer estimates the numbers likely to be on the hand of Government on 1st May at 104000 & on 1st July at 97000 but the Board think that the estimates will not be realized. If good showers fall in the month of April, cultivation operations will be commenced and large numbers will

will desert the relief works -
If there is no rain, the dis-
tress will certainly increase
and the present numbers may
be doubled (40,000) - It is
difficult to estimate what
the numbers will be if no
rain falls in June - There
will certainly be upwards of
100,000 -
(True Extract)

Wm. W. W.
Secretary

To
The Additional Secretary
to Government P.O.
With copies of 8 letters
& 23 enclosures for
returned, and 3 statements

Statement showing the
Number of description of
relief works for the
work ending 31st March
1897

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Statement showing the Number and description of relief works in certain Districts of
the work ending Saturday the 31st March 1877

District	Roads								Danks and channels (including canals)				Miscellaneous	
	New works				Repairs				New works		Repairs		Digging walls	
	In progress		Completed		In progress		Completed		In progress	Completed	In progress	Completed	removing	repair
	Number	Length in miles	Number	Length in miles	Number	Length in miles	Number	Length in miles	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
Kistna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	1	-	-
Nellore	29	289	6	23 1/4	1	1/2	1	1/4	-	-	7	5	63	59
Cuddapah	78	589 3/4	17	30 1/2	7	36 1/2	4	9	1	-	49	12	209	42
Bellary	129	964	45	99 7/8	55	780 1/4	6	11 1/2	10	4	152	61	460	387
Kurnool	Not received								-	-	-	-	-	-
Chingleput	11	89	11	42	6	35 1/2	1	2	16	8	86	8	113	171
N Arcot	44	265	5	2 1/8	70	160 7/8	14	9 1/2	2	-	65	-	498	69
S Arcot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	1
Trichinopoly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Madura	3	38	1	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	12	-	-
Tinnevely	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27	2	2	1
Coimbatore	6	36	-	-	62	760 1/4	22	151 3/4	-	-	20	7	216	56
Salem	54	386 1/2	3	75	32	288	7	67	24	12	341	42	842	500
Total	354	2657 1/4	88	288 1/2	233	2061 7/8	55	355 3/4	55	24	784	150	2422	1287

Revenue Board Office
Madras
6th April 1877

Secretary

ENCLOSURE in Board's Proceedings, dated
6th April 1877, to the
Additional Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.

Rs 2
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No. 1.

Average number of Government Seers of
80 Tolahs per Rupee of different Grains
and Rain report for the week ending
Saturday *31st March 1877*

*Average Number of Government Seers of 80 Tolahs per Rupee of different Grains and Rainfall in certain Districts of the
Madras Presidency, for the Week ending Saturday, the 31st March — 1877.*

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DISTRICTS.	RICE, 2ND SORT.			CHOLAM.			RAGI.			CUMBOO OR SAZZA.			WHEAT.			HORSEGRAM.			RAINFALL.		
	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	During the week.	From 1st January to the end of the week.	Average from 1st January to same date for three years.
Inches.	Inches.	Inches.																			
Tistna	8.26	8.33	19.53	10.97	11.10	30.22	13.19	13.20	37.11	10.53	10.80	36.65	7.04	7.14	13.50	11.16	11.39	29.18	1.46	3.69	0.02
Nellore	7.87	7.88	17.00	10.00	10.03	28.50	11.88	11.94	32.05	2.80	9.80	29.05	6.91	7.39	12.00	8.84	8.90	25.13	0.95	1.63	0.26
Cuddapah	7.91	7.85	13.87	9.53	9.51	24.37	9.91	10.02	26.04	8.36	8.23	24.60	6.48	6.51	12.07	8.58	8.42	26.63	0.20	1.59	
Bellary	7.41	7.38	14.29	9.05	9.14	25.01	9.30	9.43	28.72	8.64	8.80	22.25	6.75	6.82	13.06	9.06	9.94	26.82		0.34	
Hurnool	7.29	7.09	14.36	8.79	8.74	28.25	9.92	9.98	31.05	8.88	9.33	29.23	7.69	7.60	13.82	8.17	8.45	26.64	0.75	1.41	
Chingleput	9.40	9.53	16.51	10.98	10.60		11.26	11.03	23.24	10.78	10.78		6.35	6.35	9.94	11.26	11.26	20.56	0.47	0.52	0.30
North Arcot	8.58	8.36	15.00	10.58	10.07	22.03	10.38	10.14	22.04	8.91	8.71	20.20	5.52	5.87	10.62	10.43	10.40	24.68	0.20	0.57	0.32
South Arcot	Not received																				
Trichinopoly	8.12	8.04	13.92	16.80	11.80	28.00	10.87	10.81	24.63	10.32	10.32	22.86	6.07	5.94	9.77	10.86	10.70	25.10	0.18	0.73	0.79
Madurai	8.47	8.41	15.17	12.15	12.31	37.09	10.46	10.74	30.45	11.08	11.28	30.62	5.52	5.65	9.86	11.31	11.44	26.64	0.28	1.44	1.17
Tinnevely	8.40	8.18	8.42	9.00	9.00	22.50	11.47	10.53	29.97	10.85	11.20	29.10	6.10	6.70	8.50	11.27	11.07	18.74	0.31	2.45	1.30
Sannabatore	7.62	7.87	12.22	9.14	9.27	20.12	9.55	9.86	22.69	10.61	10.48	22.57	6.39	6.40	10.05	10.04	10.02	23.04	0.13	0.67	0.57
Salem	7.70	7.57	13.31	9.09	9.04	22.01	9.26	9.25	22.59	8.93	8.71	22.06	5.88	5.94	10.16	9.87	9.75	24.46	0.44	1.31	0.54
Malabar	Not received																				

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REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
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6th April 1877.

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Relief Report in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency, for the Week ending Saturday the 31st March 1877.

Districts.	Grants of funds sanctioned for relief works up to 31 st March 1877.	Probable cost of works or sum sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.		Total outlay since the commencement of distress.		Cost of gratuitous relief during the week.	Number of Coolies employed on the last day of the week.				Number of persons in receipt of gratuitous relief on the last day of the week.			
			In the week.	To the end of the week.	On relief works.	Gratuitous relief.		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Kistna	90000		5076	47807	62746	2022	151				1875				530
Nellore	952000	582925	16057	533868	533868	83285	1943	11592	13043	4189	28824	796	1690	2490	4976
Cuddapah	1720000	1347381	36699	1287803	1505445	6136	1258	29508	40020	9374	78902	1301	1553	3274	6129
Bellary	4316000	2705125	153326	2916501	3527566	207201	14312	81786	115974	27725	225485				82519
Kurnool	3021000		124290	3071991	3071991	32904	6737				202142				33753
Chingleput	145265	208125	7549	90084	136536	21012	1608	5186	4700	943	10829	1182	1799	3230	6211
N. Arcot	245450	427164	13914	163124	206189	2382	452	11953	13445	4071	29469	626	687	747	2060
S. Arcot	15000		Not received												
Trichinopoly	5000					2712									
Madurai	93748	110520	4339	45463	60078	2653	604	3149	4963	335	8447	363	626	495	1484
Tinnevely	64200	18548	1392	8458	9995	1216	172	1097	535	104	1736	86	189	140	415
Coimbatore	500000	247011	13982	145868	196917	2320	506	4388	15757	1387	21532	518	819	1401	2738
Dahom	361000	597022	25088	247093	287452	34560	3613	20357	23566	4252	48175	1871	3527	4745	10143
Malabar	5520		Not received								65746				150958
Total	11335283	6244121	401712	8538060	9601495	265691	31356								

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ENCLOSURE in Board's Proceedings, dated
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No. 2.

Relief Report in certain Districts of the
Madras Presidency, for the week ending
Saturday, the 1877.

Classified list of expenditure on Relief works in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the week ending Saturday the 31st March 1877

Districts	Road works				Irrigation works				Miscellaneous				Total	
	New works		Repairs		In progress		In progress		In progress		In progress		Total	
	Probable cost of works or amount sanctioned for their execution	Outlay on works in progress	On the work	To the end of the work	Probable cost of works or amount sanctioned for their execution	Outlay on works in progress	On the work	To the end of the work	Probable cost of works or amount sanctioned for their execution	Outlay on works in progress	On the work	To the end of the work		
Kistna													Rs.	Rs.
Nellore	468600	14064	437659	1500	1661	76000	330	67405	36825	1668	27143	582925	16057	533868
Cuddapah	1104576	27358	1002055	70413	1852	95903	3646	72294	71801	3843	117551	1347381	36699	1287803
Ballari	1322398	93916	1875135	946297	47413	767443	4121	134489	191551	7876	139434	2705125	153326	2916501
Karnool														
Chingleput	83149	773	32424	12000	169	6975	4149	29881	42302	2458	20804	208425	7549	90084
North Arcot	169297	3513	94309	48274	4360	14204	424	1757	189470	5617	52854	427164	13914	163124
South Arcot														
Trichinopoly														
Madura	51950	2113	28972											
Sivnerelly														
Coimbatore	18418	307	3412	171690	8731	102931	1247	13016	40998	3697	26509	247011	13982	145868
Dalme	107064	2142	71963	55880	3410	21645	4642	50123	263157	14894	103362	597022	25088	247093
Malabar														
Total	144186	3545929			65935	1010762	25400	428685		41901	500693		277422	5486069

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Classified list of
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Memorandum of
sums sanctioned
up to 5th April 1877
and expenditure
up to 31st March 1877

Memorandum of sums sanctioned
by the Board of Revenue for relief works up to
5th April 1877 and expenditure up to 31st March
1877.

Districts	Total outlay since the commencement of distress up to 31 st March 1877		
	Amount sanctioned -ed	On relief works	Gratuitous - relief
	Rs	Rs	Rs
Mistina	90000	62746	2022
Nellore	953000	533868	53285
Endrapah	1720000	1505445	6136
Bellary	4316000	3527566	207201
Hurnool	3021000	3071991	32904
Shingleput	145365	136536	21012
N. Arcot	245450	206189	2382
S. Arcot	15000	Not received	
Tanjore	10000	Do None	
Trichinopoly	5000	2712	
Madura	145000	60078	2653
Tinnevely	64200	9995	1216
Coimbatore	300000	196917	2320
Nilgiris	1210	Not received	
Palani	361000	287452	34560
Malabar	5520	Not received	
Total	11396493	9601495	365691

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Cuddalore

Jammalamadugu	104801	2599	76794	78308	851
Pulicat	220658	4150	109475	109557	38748
Pradattur	115000	1025	48118	52648	15768
Cuddalore	125920	3029	81589	102040	102848
Budalur	106691	4799	64739	64739	13643
Siddhant	66822	1594	47038	47098	"
Pillampett	104989	6740	87218	87468	1479
Kadisi	106691	3580	212522	231304	19553
Poyachali	225000	2139	96638	121251	34229
Madanapalli	277500	3573	267602	267822	35633
Vilpadi	106691	3471	197075	208384	25983
Total	1720000	1347381	36699	1287803	1508445

Adony	581700	28573	338936	604613	37840
Allur	305496	10166	305496	324031	2422
Goody	150961	4798	150961	237831	10313
Tadpatri	105000	5630	90682	106542	7820
Anantapur	137882	6250	96454	114084	1043
Tharmanuram	172572	3584	113756	145806	4126
Pennakonda	120251	1326	143232	143232	23805
Hindupur	30950	364	142077	151503	59410
Madakina	136801	4823	175458	175458	22584
Raidurg	79758	3323	107148	107148	1365
Bellary	106691	54144	659459	786539	1541
Kasipett	198236	8724	147144	166142	10580
Sunder	35300	1864	34206	34206	557
Kudligi	372944	3347	154532	157969	3815
Karapanthally	198280	8978	109030	120354	7389
Hannabally	202515	7932	147930	151882	5983

Total 436000 2705125 153326 2916501 3527566 207201

Salem

Salem	128969	2514	53870	59217	5745
Aktoor	42183	2984	12829	13037	622
Kamthal	53299	2186	23030	24203	1816
Trichingoda	75229	2494	27934	32924	2308
Tripahur	47474	2822	13070	13125	3889
Uttengiri	63395	2087	22284	23214	5123
Darampury	59532	4080	29189	38041	2017
Cotdoor	68871	2216	33684	44164	1335
Kishnagiri	58070	3705	31203	35112	1063
Total	361000	597022	25088	247093	287452

Chingleput

Madurantakam	29566	1798	10233	11727	694
Conjureram	28237	973	10671	16728	2647
Chingleput	12498	692	2564	9753	1353
Trinelloru	49990	452	15286	19747	185
Saidapett	72549	1755	34210	48449	15652
Ponnury	15565	1879	17120	30132	481
Total	145365	208425	7549	19084	136536

Trichinopoly

Trichinopoly	5000	"	"	2712	"
Errode	40640	"	13709	30145	100
Pulladam	49516	2200	33738	42164	268
Udumulpetta	48701	4390	36322	50909	750
Sathiyamangalam	16141	1047	10807	11307	301
Caroor	20190	1215	10517	12011	104
Bhowany	19370	1094	13693	13693	521
Pollachy	230	"	139	139	"
Coimbatore	21471	2754	15933	16689	106
Tharapuram	23222	1282	10902	10902	93
Collegal	7500	"	108	108	77

Total 300000 247011 13982 145868 196917 2320

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Bellary

214	3816	4347	650	8813	247	587	226	1060
26	2161	1899	310	4370	22	17	12	51
94	2003	1375	182	3560	106	256	38	400
346	2791	2395	394	5580	350	807	336	1493
382	1361	1611	522	3494	258	442	314	1014
939	3085	3613	759	7457	167	259	316	742
1169	2669	3940	800	7409	492	840	3116	4448
159	943	1588	183	2714	76	66	76	218
284	1528	2798	452	4778	153	253	311	717
3613	20357	23566	4252	48175	1871	3527	4765	10143
56	1174	859	341	2374	54	81	142	277
199	823	613	52	1428	324	410	723	1457
157	327	277	68	672	248	240	711	1199
60	164	910	30	1614	35	32	"	67
1118	835	1112	325	2272	484	989	1571	3044
48	1363	929	127	2417	37	47	83	167
1608	5186	4700	943	10829	1182	1799	3230	6211
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
68	1019	3327	326	4672	60	86	16	212
100	569	4840	"	5412	123	193	334	650
56	230	649	70	949	79	133	431	643
56	995	1981	219	3195	73	78	93	244
95	545	1566	153	2204	65	138	201	404
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
91	564	1275	433	2272	82	84	202	368
37	466	2176	186	2828	30	107	74	211
3	"	"	"	"	6	"	"	6
506	4388	15757	1387	21532	518	819	1401	27385

219	1328	1558	629	3515	173	90	213	476
2	2634	6116	1924	10674	3	4	6	13
151	1743	2651	573	4967	92	151	45	288
182	1333	1671	409	3413	"	"	"	"
42	3576	4019	1240	8835	34	59	17	110
	873	1101	188	2162	293	229	1461	1983
263	3961	5685	897	10543	"	"	"	"
5	2368	4010	963	7741	56	54	55	165
149	2490	3732	989	7211	294	368	554	1216
152	4076	4477	1024	9577	208	425	729	1362
93	4526	5000	538	10064	148	178	194	515
1258	29508	40020	9374	78902	1301	1553	3274	6129
1093	22324	24761	7564	54649	393	479	6968	7840
775	7281	9686	2768	19735	219	280	5227	5726
656	3038	5669	1476	10183	373	594	2053	3020
1321	2734	6811	1124	10669	359	530	12303	13192
145	2411	6887	2092	11390	119	191	185	495
162	603	627	321	1551	103	65	10	178
1313	606	1504	326	2356	495	757	728	1980
1616	211	465	135	811	761	1351	2459	4571
3025	3712	7168	1164	12044	1042	1349	2641	5032
502	2230	2912	1160	6302	970	1474	9804	12248
822	18158	19340	3801	41299	particulars not fully known			15704
785	5370	1994	1788	16202	763	727	3872	5362
197	1077	1746	164	2937	77	178	473	728
377	2719	4161	682	7562	66	60	521	647
582	5747	7280	1713	14740	272	306	1895	2473
941	3565	7863	1597	13025	468	544	2311	3323
14312	81786	115974	27725	225485	"	"	"	82519

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9	905	399	395	1699	7	1	52	60
5	381	575	50	1006	4	2	2	8
16	625	446	13	1084	14	11	1	26
5	231	414	12	657	"	"	"	"
54	700	2347	691	3728	235	244	197	676
"	56	93	27	176	"	"	"	"
"	580	644	65	1287	"	"	"	"
"	2387	4172	120	6677	241	248	198	687
47	401	466	196	1063	2	1	92	95
82	399	305	226	930	51	106	127	284
30	1390	695	69	278	19	11	9	39
"	1529	881	724	3134	29	34	49	112
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
9	690	350	344	1386	14	11	5	30
50	1578	1605	467	3650	"	2	"	2
145	101	53	46	200	10	16	15	41
452	11953	13455	4071	29469	626	687	747	2060
"	142	46	24	212	1	1	2	4
16	358	168	31	557	11	25	24	60
"	125	120	7	252	"	"	"	"
150	472	201	42	715	72	162	113	347
6	"	"	"	"	2	1	1	4
172	1097	535	104	736	86	189	140	415
116	882	620	39	1541	63	130	138	331
5	690	786	119	1595	5	7	1	13
11	100	187	1	288	11	20	1	32
4	52	156	"	208	Not correctly given numbers for by private subscription being included			
117	"	"	"	"	44	100	58	202
41	"	"	"	"	17	53	33	103
310	1425	3214	176	4815	223	316	264	803
604	3149	4963	335	8447	363	626	195	51484

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No. 3.

Palangar Abstract of Relief in certain
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244	419	607	201	1227	128	249	178	555
267	171	193	111	475	39	65	58	162
232	205	318	81	604	99	164	187	450
18	186	148	12	346	111	208	410	729
466	4635	3693	927	9255	125	383	696	1204
"	3338	4761	1951	10055	"	"	"	"
326	1171	1601	202	2974	85	200	295	580
"	46	86	10	140	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
28	206	332	73	611	13	23	10	46
"	221	403	155	779	"	"	"	"
75	623	407	267	1297	32	72	1	105
287	276	496	189	1061	164	326	655	1145
1943	11592	13043	4189	28824	796	1690	2490	4976

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

*Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,
dated 6th April, 1877.*

The Board submit to Government the relief reports for the week ending 31st March with the usual Statements and maps of the districts marginally noted. The South Arcot and Malabar reports are again wanting, and telegraphic summaries only have been received from Kistna and Kurnool.

Cuddapah.
Madura.
Salem.
Chingleput.
Nellore.
Bellary.
Coimbatore.

2. *Prices*—Are nearly stationary. In Cuddapah there has been a general decline of prices in Kadiri, but ragi has risen in three taluqs. Bellary prices show a slight tendency to rise, but there is a remarkable fall in rice at Harpanhally from 5·8 to 7 seers which affects the district average. In Chingleput rice has risen in Ponneri, but ragi is cheaper at Trivellore probably owing to the fall of rain which has taken place there. In North Arcot prices have fallen at Arcot, Arnee, Gudiattum and Kangundi. In Salem the recovery in Dharampury noticed last week is ascribed to large importation having set in. There is a fall at Ahtur, but no other changes to note in that district, or in Coimbatore except a rise in ragi and cumboo at Sattiamangalam and in ragi at Dharapuram. The prices of the better kinds of cholam and of ragi and cumboo have risen in the Sub-Division taluqs of Madura. Ragi is cheaper in Tinnevely. There is no change of importance in Trichinopoly.

3. *Rainfall*.—There has been very general rain during the week, Bellary being the only district from which none is reported. It has been heavy in Kistna, and fell in six taluks of Nellore, ranging from three inches in Kanigiri to '65 in Kandukur. The Pennair has again

been in fresh and water-supply is now pretty well assured. The rain in Cuddapah was heaviest in the south of the district, but nowhere reached an inch. There was rain in six taluqs of Kurnool. In Chingleput 2.6 inches fell at Trivellore and a shower at Conjeveram. There was good rain in the central portion of North Arcot reaching $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches at Narayana-vanam, and half an inch was registered at Pal-manair. Rain fell in five taluqs of Salem, the highest being 1.7 inches in Ahtur. In Madura 1.83 inches fell in Periyakolam and showers were received in the eastern parts of Trichi-nopoly and south of Coimbatore, and in four of the distressed taluqs in Tinnevelly. Rain thus fell in almost every district but the showers though heavy in places were scattered and capricious. They are too early for much be-nefit to cultivation, but will improve water-supply and forage for cattle. The cotton crop in Tinnevelly is reported to have benefited much by recent rains.

4. The grants for works and charitable relief made by the Board up to 31st March were Rs. 11,335,283; and Rs. 99,67,186 were expended on these objects. The grants have been exceeded in Kurnool and Chingleput and further funds will be separately placed at the Collector's disposal. The following is the usual abstract of the outlay on works in pro-gress so far as details are available:—

	In the week.	Up to the week.
Roads—New works...	144,186	35,45,929
Repairs.....	65,935	10,10,762
Total.....	210,121	45,56,691
Irrigation works.....	25,400	428,685
Miscellaneous.....	41,901	500,693
Total.....	2,77,422	54,86,069

A further statement shewing the numbers and magnitude of the works undertaken in all dis-

tricts except Kurnool is appended; and the following is a summary of it:—

	In progress.		Completed.	
	Num-ber.	Length in miles.	Num-ber.	Length in miles.
Roads—New works.....	354	2,657	88	289
Repairs.....	233	2,062	55	353
Total.....	587	4,719	143	642
Irrigation works.....	...	...	...	...
New works.....	55	...	24	...
Repairs.....	784	...	150	...
Miscellaneous.....	2,422	...	1,287	...
	3,848	...	1,604	...

The new road works are principally in Bellary, Cuddapah and Salem and the road repairs in Bellary, North Arcot, and Coimbatore. The irrigation works are most numerous in Salem, Bellary, Chingleput, and North Arcot. The great number of works classed as Miscellaneous are chiefly wells and drinking water tanks.

5. *Numbers on relief works.* The totals for each district are compared below with last week's report:—

	24th March.	31st March.	
Kistna	2,630	1,875	— 755
Nellore	35,134	28,824	— 6,310
Cuddapah	73,702	78,902	+ 5,200
Bellary	212,139	225,485	+ 13,346
Kurnool	185,443	202,142	+ 16,699
Chingleput	10,499	10,829	+ 330
North Arcot	23,245	29,469	+ 6,224
South Arcot	538	538	—
Madura	8,291	8,447	+ 156
Tinnevelly	1,930	1,736	— 194
Coimbatore	24,480	21,532	— 2,948
Salem	51,258	48,175	— 3,083
Total...	629,289	657,954	+ 28,665
East Coast Canal....	30,911	34,970	+ 4,059
Total...	660,200	692,924	+ 32,724*

6. There is thus a considerable increase during the week which but for a decrease in the numbers in Nellore, Coimbatore and Salem, would have amounted to some forty-five thousand. The report does not explain the decrease in Nellore, but it is due to some extent to drafts of coolies to the East Coast Canal.

It however occurs chiefly in the Atmakur and Kanigiri taluqs which are remote from the Coast and where some large works seem to have bene finished. The Collector is requested to report on the continued decrease in numbers in the last few weeks.

7. The increase in Cuddapah occurs in the four sub-division taluqs where the numbers have risen from 27,617 to 34,793. In Pulivendala, Prodattoor and Pullampet there is a further increase of 2,280; but in other taluks a decrease. The Sub-Collector appears to have taken it upon himself to defer reduction of wages to those fixed for lower tasks and a report on the subject is before the Board and

	24th March.	31st March.	
Adoni.....	52,575	54,649	+ 2,074
Alur.....	17,640	19,735	+ 2,095
Gooty.....	12,178	10,183	- 1,995
Tadpatri.....	9,956	10,669	+ 713
Anantapur.....	9,298	11,390	+ 2,092
Dhurmavaram.....	1,887	1,551	- 336
Pennakonda.....	1,865	2,336	+ 471
Hindupur.....	878	811	- 67
Madaksira.....	5,987	12,044	+ 6,057
Raidrug.....	9,363	6,302	- 3,061
Bellary.....	48,659	41,299	- 7,360
Hospett.....	13,673	16,202	+ 2,529
Sundur.....	2,926	2,987	+ 61
Kudlighi.....	6,352	7,562	+ 1,210
Harpanhulli.....	12,290	14,740	+ 2,450
Hadgalli.....	7,772	13,025	+ 5,253
Total.....	212,139	225,485	+ 13,346

will be separately submitted. The taluq details for the Bellary district are given in the margin. There is a general tendency to increase, but the causes of the variations are not given in all cases. The Board regret

to notice increase in Adoni and Alur, but the fall in Bellary is satisfactory. The increase in Alur is ascribed to return of coolies rejected on weeding gangs; in Madaksira and Kudlighi to abatement of cholera panic; and in Harpanhulli and Hadagalli to influx from the Nizam's country. The decrease in Gooty is due to work being available at the Railway station and to concentration.

8. The Collector of Kurnool states that the increase in the District is to a great extent nominal and due to defective returns chiefly from the Cumbum Division in the previous week. In North Arcot there is a great increase in the Wallajah taluq (2,896 to 6,679) and in Punganoor, Chittoor, Chendragheri and Vellore,

numbers have also risen. The aggregate number on works in the Eastern Zamindary tracts is 8,940, against 8,745 on the 24th March. Those employed on the railway works near Arconum are not included in the report. The returns for Coimbatore and Salem exhibit a decrease. That in Coimbatore is due to report from Erode taluq not having been received. The Collector will take due notice of this default. There is increase in Coimbatore and Dharapuram taluqs and decline in Udumalpettah, owing to return of coolies from the Madura district. In Salem there is an increase of about 400 in Uttengerai and Dharampuri, but decrease in all other taluqs, probably owing to prospects being more hopeful from recent rains. The decrease in Tinnevely is due to mitigation of distress by the same cause and to commencement of agricultural operations. The Madura returns call for no remark.

9. Rates of wages.—Higher task rates are given in ports of Cuddapah; in the principal division rates are fixed with reference to rice. The state of affairs in the sub-division has been above alluded to. The old rates (2 as., 1 a. 4 p. and 10 p.) are still in force in Kaderi. The new scale, with lower task-rates is in force throughout Bellary; but the rate for a man cooly varies from 1 a. 2 p. to 1 a. 9 p., owing to the adoption sometimes of rice and sometimes of cholum as the standard grain. In Salem, a single rate, to 7½ seers the average price of rice seems to be adopted, which is wrong. The new scale is in force throughout Nellore, Chingleput, North Arcot, and Tinnevely, rates for higher task appearing in the following taluqs: Saidapett, Pulladam, Udumalapetta, Caroor, Coimbatore, Dharampuram, Srivilliputtur, Sattur, Sankaranainar Kovil, Ottapidaram, Addanki, Kanigiri and Darsi. The scale in Nellore seems not very correctly worked. There is great diversity of rates in all districts in which it is in operation owing apparently to different grains being adopted. The attention of Collectors is called to the subject. If the instructions are properly observed, greater uniformity should appear. In the Madura district, wages at the old rates appear in Madura and Tirumangalum

talus and wages in kind are given in Palni. The Collector should enquire on both points.

10. *Gratuitous relief*.—The total numbers in each district are compared below:—

	24th March.	31st March.	
Kistna	235	530 +	295
Nellore	6,613	4,976 —	1,637
Cuddapah	3,268	6,129 +	2,861
Bellary	33,102	82,519 +	49,417
Kurnool	25,572	33,753 +	8,181
Chingleput	6,030	6,211 +	181
North Arcot	2,089	2,060 —	29
South Arcot	59	59	...
Madura	1,263	1,484 +	221
Tinnevely	417	415 —	2
Coimbatore	2,291	2,738 +	447
Salem	5,846	10,143 +	4,297
	86,785	151,017 +	64,232

This enormous increase is due to the inclusion of children of persons on the works allowed 3 pies a head and to the initiation of village relief. The former is the more important of the two causes. The Board hope to be able in next report to give full details regarding the extended gratuitous relief now being afforded, but information has not yet been furnished from all districts in the form prescribed. The new orders appeared to have been worked in their entirety only in the Ceded districts and in Salem. The Collector of Coimbatore says, that as the coolies earn sufficient at the higher task rates, the concession to children is not required, and he is of opinion that there is no need of village relief in his district. If deterioration in physique of the labourers is observed, the allowance for the children now supported from their parents' wages should be introduced:—

11. The outlay during the week and up to it is classified as follows:—

	In the week.	Up to the week.
	Rs.	Rs.
Relief works.....	401,712	9,601,495
Gratuitous relief..	31,536	365,691
	433,248	9,967,186

The usual Memorandum showing grants sanctioned by the Board to date is enclosed, the total is Rs. 11,396,493.

12. The following are details of advances from famine funds under the Land Improvement Act, for digging wells.

In the week. Up to the week.

	Rs.	Rs.
Nellore.....	...	12,846
Cuddapah.....	7,945	33,188
Bellary.....	...	1,270
Chingleput.....	7,475	7,475
Madura.....	1,275	1,275
Tinnevely.....	1,915	16,970
Salem.....	3,779	4,229
	22,389	77,253

The considerable advances made during the week is satisfactory.

13. The Establishment returns are summarized below. Return has not been received from Nellore. The expenditure on establishment is steadily rising.

Superior officers included.	Monthly pay.	
	Number.	Rs.
	...	8,178
	13	3,655
	26	9,857
	1	641
	4	2,391
	3	1,735
	1	350
	1	425
	4	1,910
	62	29,142
Total.	Monthly pay.	
	Number.	Rs.
	...	13,630
	424	21,469
	1,158	22,758
	880	2,326
	103	5,497
	264	3,663
	59	1,847
	76	6,551
	144	78,426
Accounts.	Monthly pay.	
	Number.	Rs.
	...	Not received.
	76	94,114
	66	76,154
	2	907
	103	834
	51	851
	12	152
	70	1,026
	475	6,494
	3,382	6850
Wages.	Monthly pay.	
	Number.	Rs.
	...	...
	225	64
	276	687
	16	3145
	30	2947
	6	189
	...	...
	...	...
	30	...
	30	...
	10	132
	630	6850
Relief.	Monthly pay.	
	Number.	Rs.
	...	...
	266	11,797
	857	16,781
	538	19,304
	87	2,110
	155	4,633
	38	2,802
	72	667
	102	1,695
	162	5,393
	2277	65,082
	630	6850
	3,382	6850
	78,426	78,426

14. The report of the Commissioner of Police, Madras, gives the following details. Average number of resident paupers in relief camps, 11,813; number now resident, 12,411; number in hospital on 31st March, 512; deaths—120

in hospital, 14, in camps; outlay in the week, Rs. 24,260, and up to the week, Rs. 318,703. The paupers resident on 31st March belonged to the following districts. Chingleput, 6,062; North Arcot, 2,509; Nellore, 3,057; others, 131; total, 11,759. The Board have also been favoured by the President, Municipal Commission, with a return of the numbers employed on relief works carried on by him from Famine Funds placed at his disposal, and of the inmates of a relief camp which he has established at Sattankad, on the northern canal. The relief labourers numbered 4,483, and the resident paupers 760, on the 31st March.

(True Extract.)

H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

To

The Additional Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, with 17 original
returns, 10 maps, and 6 statements.

Statement showing the number of description of Relief Works in certain Districts, for the week ending
Saturday, the 31st March, 1877.

Districts.	Roads.						Tanks and Channels (including canals.)						Miscellaneous, digging wells, removing prickly pear, &c.		REMARKS.
	New Works.			Repairs.			New works.		Repairs.		In progress.	Completed.			
	In progress.	Completed.	Length in Miles.	In progress.	Completed.	Length in Miles.	In progress.	Completed.	In progress.	Completed.					
											Number.	Number.	Length in Miles.	Number.	
Kistna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nellore	23	23½	289	1	1	36½	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah	78	30½	593½	7	4	780½	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary	129	99½	964	55	6	114½	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kurnool	...	Not received.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chingleput	11	42	89	6	1	35½	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N. Arcot	44	24½	265	70	14	160½	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
S. Arcot	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Trichinopoly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura	3	16	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tinnevely	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore	6	35	35	62	22	760½	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem	54	38½	385½	32	7	288	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	354	2,657½	88	233	55	2,061½	55	353½	24	784	150	2,422	1,287		

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MADRAS, 6th April, 1877.

H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

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Average number of Government Seers of 80 Totals per Rupee of different Grains and Rainfall in certain districts of the Madras Presidency for the week ending Saturday, the 31st March, 1877.

Districts.	Rice, 2nd sort.			Cholam.			Ragi.			Cumbao or Sazza.			Wheat.			Horse Gram.			Rainfall.		
	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	At date of return.	Last week's return.	Price on same date last year.	During the week.	From 1st January to the end of the week.	Average from 1st January to same date for three years.
Kistna	8-26	8-33	19-53	10-97	11-10	30-22	13-19	13-20	37-04	10-53	10-86	36-65	7-04	7-14	13-50	11-16	11-39	29-18	1-46	3-69	0-02
Nellore	7-87	7-83	17-00	10-00	10-03	28-50	11-88	11-94	32-05	9-30	9-80	29-05	6-31	7-39	12-00	8-84	8-90	25-13	0-95	1-63	0-26
Cuddapah	7-91	7-85	13-87	9-53	9-51	24-37	9-91	10-02	26-04	8-86	8-33	24-60	6-48	6-51	12-07	8-58	8-42	26-63	0-20	1-59	...
Bellary	7-41	7-38	14-29	9-05	9-14	25-01	9-30	9-43	23-72	8-64	8-80	22-25	6-75	6-82	13-06	9-06	9-94	26-82	...	0-34	...
Kurnool	7-29	7-09	14-36	8-79	8-74	28-25	9-92	9-98	31-05	8-88	9-33	29-23	7-69	7-60	13-82	8-17	8-45	26-04	0-75	1-41	...
Chingleput	9-40	9-53	16-51	10-98	10-60	...	11-25	11-03	23-24	10-78	10-78	...	6-35	6-35	9-94	11-26	11-26	20-56	0-47	0-52	0-30
North Arcot	8-58	8-36	15-00	10-58	10-07	22-03	10-88	10-14	22-04	8-91	8-71	20-20	5-52	5-87	10-62	10-43	10-40	24-68	0-20	0-57	0-32
South Arcot	8-12	8-04	13-92	16-80	16-80	28-00	10-87	10-81	24-63	10-32	10-32	22-86	6-07	5-94	9-77	10-86	10-70	23-10	0-18	0-73	0-79
Trichinopoly	8-47	8-41	15-17	12-15	12-31	37-09	10-46	10-74	30-45	11-08	11-28	30-62	5-52	5-65	9-86	11-31	11-44	26-64	0-28	1-44	1-17
Madura	8-40	8-18	8-42	9-00	9-00	22-50	11-47	10-53	29-97	10-85	11-20	29-10	6-10	6-70	8-50	11-27	11-07	18-74	0-31	2-45	1-30
Tinnevelly	7-62	7-87	12-23	9-14	9-27	20-12	9-55	9-86	29-69	10-61	10-48	22-57	6-39	6-40	10-05	10-04	10-02	23-04	0-13	0-67	0-57
Coimbatore	7-70	7-57	13-31	9-09	9-04	22-01	9-26	9-25	22-59	8-93	8-71	22-06	5-88	5-94	10-16	9-87	9-75	24-46	0-44	1-31	0-54
Salem...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Not received.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malabar	...	...	...	...	...	...	Not received.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
MADRAS, 6th April, 1877.

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

Relief Report in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the week ending Saturday, the 31st March, 1877.

Districts.	Grants of Funds sanctioned for Relief Works up to 31st March, 1877.		Revenue cost of works or sum sanctioned for their execution.		Outlay on works in progress.		Total outlay since the commencement of distress.		Cost of gratuitous relief during the week.		Number of persons in receipt of gratuitous relief on the last day of the week.			
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	In the week.	To the end of the week.	On relief works.	Gratuitous relief.	RS.	RS.	Number of persons employed on the last day of the week.		Number of persons in receipt of gratuitous relief on the last day of the week.	
											Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Kistna	90,000	47,807	5,075	52,716	2,022	131	...	...	...	...	No.	No.	No.	No.
Nellore	9,53,000	5,33,868	16,057	5,33,868	53,285	1,943	13,013	4,189	28,834	796	1,690	2,490	4,975	4,975
Cuddapah	17,20,000	12,87,503	35,699	15,05,445	6,196	1,258	40,030	9,374	78,902	1,301	1,553	3,274	6,129	6,129
Bellary	43,16,000	29,16,501	1,58,325	35,57,566	2,07,201	4,312	115,974	27,725	225,455	...	...	...	82,519	82,519
Kurnool	30,21,000	30,71,991	1,24,290	30,71,991	32,904	6,737	4,700	943	10,829	1,182	1,799	3,230	33,753	33,753
Chingleput	1,45,355	90,084	7,549	1,36,536	21,012	1,608	13,445	4,071	29,469	626	687	747	6,211	6,211
North Arcot	2,45,450	1,53,121	13,914	2,05,189	2,382	452	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,060	2,060
South Arcot	15,000	...	...	...	...	Not received.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Trichinopoly	5,000	...	...	2,712	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura	93,748	45,463	4,339	60,978	2,653	604	4,963	335	8,447	363	626	495	1,484	1,484
Tinnevely	64,200	8,458	1,392	9,995	1,216	172	535	104	1,736	86	189	140	415	415
Coimbatore	3,00,000	1,45,868	13,982	1,95,917	2,320	506	15,737	1,387	21,532	518	819	1,401	2,798	2,798
Salem	3,51,000	2,47,093	25,038	2,87,452	34,560	3,513	23,566	4,212	48,175	1,871	3,527	4,745	10,143	10,143
Malabar	3,520	...	...	...	...	Not received.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1,13,33,283	85,53,060	4,01,712	96,01,495	3,65,691	3,356	...	...	657,416	...	...	...	...	150,998

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MADRAS,
6th April, 1877.

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Tabular Abstract of Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency, for the week ending Saturday, the 31st March, 1877.

Talukwar Abstract of Relief on certain Districts of the Madras Presidency, for the week ending 31st March, 1877.																			
District.	Taluk.	Grants of Funds sanctioned for Relief Works up to 31st March, 1877.	Probable cost of works for their execution.		Outlay on works in progress.		Outlay since the commencement of distress.		Cost of execution as met during the week.		Number of coolies employed on the last day of the week.				Number of persons in receipt of gratuitous relief on the last day of the week.				Remarks.
			RS.	RS.	In the week.	To the end of the week.	On Relief Works.	Gratuitous relief.	RS.	RS.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
Cuddapah.	Jammalamadugu	...	...	RS.	76,794	...	78,308	808	219	1,338	1,558	629	8,515	173	90	213	476		
	...	1,04,801	2,509	1,09,475	...	1,09,357	8	2	2,634	6,116	1,924	10,674	3	4	6	13			
	Pollavenda	...	2,20,658	4,150	48,118	...	52,648	633	151	1,743	2,651	573	4,967	92	151	45	238		
	Proddatur	...	1,15,000	1,025	81,589	...	1,02,040	260	182	1,383	1,671	409	3,413	...	...	...	...		
	Cuddapah	...	1,25,920	3,029	64,739	...	10,284	266	42	3,576	4,019	1,240	8,835	34	69	17	110		
	Budavil	...	1,06,691	4,799	47,038	...	1,364	...	...	873	1,101	188	2,162	293	229	1,461	1,983		
	Sidhant	...	65,822	1,594	87,218	...	87,468	...	...	...	3,361	5,685	897	10,543	...	...	...	...	
	Pulampett	...	1,04,989	6,740	87,218	...	1,479	...	263	2,968	4,010	963	7,941	56	54	55	165		
	Kadiri	...	Not given.	3,680	2,12,522	...	2,31,304	466	5	2,968	4,010	963	7,941	291	368	554	1,216		
	Royachoti	...	2,25,000	2,130	95,633	...	1,21,351	838	149	2,490	3,732	989	7,211	208	425	729	1,362		
	Madanapalli	...	2,77,500	3,073	2,67,602	...	2,67,822	1,081	152	4,076	4,477	1,024	9,577	148	173	194	515		
	Vellipand	...	Not given.	3,471	1,97,075	...	2,08,384	1,190	93	4,326	5,000	538	10,064	1,301	1,553	3,274	6,129		
Total...			56,699	12,87,803	...	15,05,445	6,186	1,938	29,508	40,020	9,374	78,902	1,301	1,553	3,274	6,129			
...	Adodi	...	28,573	2,38,936	...	6,04,613	37,840	1,093	22,324	24,761	7,564	54,649	393	479	6,968	7,840			
	Alur	...	10,168	3,95,496	...	8,24,031	2,422	775	7,381	9,686	2,768	19,705	219	280	5,227	5,726			
	Gooty	...	4,798	1,50,961	...	2,37,631	16,931	656	3,033	5,869	1,476	10,168	373	594	2,053	3,030			
	Talpa	...	5,630	90,682	...	1,06,547	7,830	1,321	2,734	6,311	1,124	10,669	359	530	12,303	13,192			
	Anantapur	...	6,250	96,454	...	1,14,081	1,043	145	2,411	6,327	2,092	11,390	119	191	185	495			
	Dharmavaram	...	3,584	1,13,756	...	1,45,801	4,126	163	603	1,504	236	2,336	495	757	728	1,980			
	Pemakonda	...	1,326	1,43,232	...	1,43,232	23,805	1,313	311	211	135	811	761	1,351	2,459	4,571			
Hindupur	...	30,950	1,364	1,42,077	...	1,51,507	22,584	3,025	3,712	7,168	1,134	12,044	1,042	1,343	2,631	5,082			
Madakura	...	13,680	4,323	1,75,458	...	1,75,458	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		

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Bel.	Raidrug	...	...	79,758	3,323	1,07,148	1,07,148	1,355	502	18,158	19,340	2,912	1,160	6,302	970	1,474	9,801	12,218
	Bellary	...	...	Not com-pletely gvn	54,114	6,59,459	7,85,929	1,541	822	214	3,816	4,347	650	41,209	particulars not fully known	...	...	15,704
	Hospett	...	...	1,38,296	8,724	1,47,144	1,66,142	10,580	785	2,161	1,999	1,994	1,738	16,202	763	727	5,872	5,862
	Sundur	...	...	35,300	1,864	34,206	34,206	557	197	1,077	1,746	1,746	1,738	2,987	77	178	473	728
	Kudligi	...	...	2,72,944	3,347	1,54,532	1,57,969	3,815	347	2,719	4,161	4,161	682	7,562	66	60	521	647
	Harpahalli	...	...	1,98,980	8,978	1,09,090	1,20,954	7,389	582	1,361	2,395	2,395	394	5,580	350	807	336	1,493
	Humthadgally	...	...	2,02,515	7,382	1,47,930	1,51,882	5,983	941	3,565	7,863	7,863	1,594	14,740	272	306	1,895	2,473
	Total	...	...	27,05,125	1,53,826	29,18,501	35,27,566	2,07,201	14,312	81,786	1,15,974	27,725	9,254,485	...	...	...	...	3,323
	Salem	...	...	1,28,969	2,514	53,870	59,217	5,145	214	3,816	4,347	650	41,209	...	...	...	...	82,519
	Alathur	...	...	42,183	2,984	12,829	13,037	522	26	2,161	1,999	1,994	1,738	...	...	...	...	1,060
	Namkal	...	...	53,299	2,166	23,030	24,203	1,816	94	2,003	1,375	182	3,560	...	...	...	...	51
	Trichungode	...	...	75,229	2,494	27,934	32,924	2,308	346	2,791	2,395	394	5,580	...	...	...	...	400
	Triptore	...	...	47,474	2,822	13,070	13,135	3,889	382	1,361	1,611	522	3,494	...	...	...	...	336
	Uttengiri	...	...	63,395	2,087	22,284	23,214	5,123	939	3,085	3,013	759	7,457	...	...	...	...	1,014
	Darampury	...	...	59,532	4,080	29,189	38,041	10,011	1,169	2,669	3,940	800	7,409	...	...	...	...	742
	Ossoor	...	...	68,871	2,216	33,684	44,164	3,752	159	943	1,588	189	2,714	...	...	...	...	4,448
	Kistnagiri	...	...	58,070	3,705	31,403	35,112	1,994	284	1,528	2,798	452	4,778	...	...	...	...	218
	Total	...	...	5,97,022	25,088	2,47,093	2,87,432	34,560	3,613	20,357	23,566	4,252	48,175	...	...	...	...	717
Chingleput	Madurantakam	...	...	29,566	1,798	10,235	11,727	694	56	1,174	859	341	2,374	...	...	...	...	10,143
	Conjeveram	...	...	28,237	973	10,671	16,728	2,647	199	823	613	68	1,488	...	...	...	...	277
	Chingleput	...	...	12,498	692	2,564	9,753	1,353	157	327	277	27	68	...	...	...	...	1,457
	Trivellore	...	...	49,990	432	15,286	19,747	1,855	30	664	910	30	1,604	...	...	...	...	1,199
	Saidanpett	...	...	72,569	1,765	34,210	48,449	15,632	1,118	835	1,112	325	2,272	...	...	...	...	67
	Ponneri	...	...	15,565	1,879	17,120	30,132	481	48	1,363	929	127	2,419	...	...	...	...	3,044
	Total	...	...	2,08,425	7,549	19,084	1,36,536	21,012	1,608	5,186	4,700	943	10,829	...	...	...	...	1,571
	Trichinopoly	...	...	...	...	...	2,712	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	167
	Erode	...	...	40,840	...	15,709	30,145	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	83
	Palladam	...	...	49,516	2,200	33,738	42,164	268	68	1,019	3,327	326	4,672	...	...	...	...	212
	Udumalpetta	...	...	48,731	4,390	36,322	50,909	750	100	569	4,843	...	5,412	...	...	...	...	650
	Sattiamangalam	...	...	16,141	1,047	10,807	11,307	301	56	250	649	70	949	...	...	...	...	643
	Caroor	...	...	20,190	1,215	10,517	12,011	104	56	995	1,981	219	3,195	...	...	...	...	244
	Bhowany	...	...	19,370	1,084	13,693	13,693	521	95	545	1,506	153	2,204	...	...	...	...	201
	Pollachy	...	...	280	...	139	139	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Coimbatore	...	...	21,471	2,754	15,933	16,589	106	91	564	1,275	433	2,872	...	...	...	...	368
	Darapuram	...	...	23,222	1,282	10,902	10,902	93	37	466	2,176	186	2,828	...	...	...	...	91
	Collegal	...	...	7,500	...	108	108	77	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
	Total	...	...	3,00,000	13,982	1,45,808	1,96,917	2,920	505	4,388	16,757	1,387	21,632	...	...	...	...	2,738

Talaguar Abstract of Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the week ending Saturday, 31st March, 1877. — (Continued).

Districts.	Taluga.	Grants of Funds sanctioned for Relief Works up to 31st March, 1877.	Probable cost of works for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.		Outlay since the commencement of distress.		Cost of gratuitous relief during the week.	Number of coolies employed on the last day of the week.			Remarks.				
				In the week.	To the end of the week.	On Relief Works.	Gratuitous relief.		Men.	Women.	Children.		Total.			
1	2	3	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
North Arcot.	Chittoor...	...	23,264	1,241	14,502	24,975	41	9	905	399	395	1,699	7	1	52	60
	Chendragiri	...	22,445	529	4,283	4,843	227	5	381	575	50	1,006	4	2	2	8
	Palmanair	...	15,798	546	6,708	20,821	30	16	625	446	13	1,084	14	11	1	26
	Gudiatnam	...	30,371	452	5,718	5,718	48	5	231	414	12	657	...	...	...	...
	Vellore ...	...	69,958	1,923	37,997	45,650	207	54	700	2,347	691	3,738	235	244	197	675
	Polar ...	...	450	50	50	1,633	...	...	55	93	27	176	...	...	...	...
	Arcot ...	...	49,753	617	21,172	22,469	388	...	580	644	65	1,289	...	...	...	...
	Wallajah	...	62,126	1,866	18,098	18,098	...	...	2,387	4,172	120	6,679	241	248	198	687
	Tripatty	...	8,992	304	605	642	77	47	401	466	196	1,063	2	1	92	95
	Kulstury	...	7,442	179	179	237	413	82	399	305	236	930	51	106	137	284
Tinnevely.	Narayanaram	...	26,398	785	1,589	1,589	112	30	1,390	695	695	2,780	19	11	9	39
	Punganur	...	71,316	1,945	29,369	31,905	110	...	1,629	881	724	3,134	29	34	49	112
	Kangundy	...	1,935	...	...	15	...	...	690	350	344	1,384	...	11	5	30
	Aroonum	...	18,369	826	11,289	11,289	66	9	1,478	1,605	467	3,650	...	2	...	2
	Tirutany	...	17,264	2,305	10,947	10,947	350	50	1,578	1,605	467	3,650	...	2	...	2
	Maderpauk	...	1,510	126	618	631	313	145	101	53	46	200	10	16	15	41
	Total...	...	4,27,164	13,914	1,63,124	2,06,189	2,382	452	11,953	13,455	4,071	29,469	696	687	747	2,060
	Servilliputhur	...	4,305	410	2,182	2,702	41	...	142	46	24	212	1	1	2	4
	Satur	...	8,979	431	3,530	3,723	95	...	358	168	31	557	11	25	24	60
	Sankaranainkovil	...	650	142	330	1,154	137	...	125	120	7	252	...	...	...	...
Tinnevely.	Ottapidaram	...	4,614	409	2,416	2,416	986	...	472	201	42	715	...	162	113	347
	Nanganeri	...	...	...	...	...	7	6	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	4
	Total...	...	18,548	1,392	8,458	9,995	1,216	172	1,097	535	194	736	86	189	140	415
	Total...	...	64,200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE, MADRAS,]
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Classified list of Expenditure on Relief Works in certain districts of the Madras Presidency, for the week ending Saturday, the 31st March, 1877.

Classified list of Expenditure on Relief Works in certain districts of

Districts.	New Works.			Repairs.			Irrigation Works.			Miscellaneous.			Total.		Remarks.			
	Probable cost of works or amount sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.		Probable cost of works or amount sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.		Probable cost of works or amount sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.		Probable cost of works or amount sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.		Probable cost of works or amount sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.				
		Rs.	To the end of the week.		Rs.	To the end of the week.		Rs.	To the end of the week.		Rs.	To the end of the week.		Rs.		To the end of the week.	Rs.	To the end of the week.
Kistna	...	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	...		
Nellore	4,68,600	...	...	...	1,661	76,000	5,076	67,405	36,825	1,663	27,143	5,83,925	16,057	5,83,868	...	...		
Cuddapah	11,04,576	27,368	10,02,055	95,903	1,01,091	3,646	72,294	71,301	3,843	1,17,551	13,47,381	36,699	12,87,803	...	...	...		
Bellary	13,22,398	93,916	12,75,135	7,67,443	2,44,879	4,121	1,34,489	1,91,551	7,876	1,89,434	27,05,125	1,53,326	29,16,501	...	...	...		
Kurnool	...	...	...	...	Telegraphic summary received.	...	...	42,302	2,458	20,804	2,08,425	7,549	90,084	...	...	...		
Chingleput	83,149	773	32,424	6,975	70,974	4,149	29,681	1,89,470	5,617	52,854	4,27,164	13,914	1,63,124	...	...	...		
North Arcot	1,69,297	3,513	94,309	14,204	20,123	424	1,757	...	Not received.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
South Arcot	...	...	...	...	...	Not received.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Trichinopoly	...	...	...	...	...	Nil.	...	17,105	974	7,689	1,10,520	4,339	45,463	...	...	...		
Madura	51,950	2,113	28,972	41,465	8,430	1,232	8,802	10,128	870	5,347	18,548	1,392	8,458	...	...	...		
Tinnevely	...	...	...	...	15,905	513	3,111	40,998	3,697	26,509	2,47,011	13,982	1,45,868	...	...	...		
Coimbatore	18,418	397	3,412	1,71,690	1,02,931	1,247	13,916	50,123	14,894	1,03,362	5,97,022	25,088	2,47,093	...	...	...		
Salem	1,07,064	2,149	71,963	55,880	21,645	4,642	50,123	2,63,157	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Malabar	...	...	...	...	...	Not received.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Total	1,44,186	...	35,43,939	65,455	10,10,762	25,400	4,28,685	...	41,901	8,00,693	2,77,422	54,86,969	...	...	...	...		

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
MADRAS, 6th April, 1877.

MEMORANDUM of sums sanctioned by Government and by the Board of Revenue for Relief Works up to 5th April, 1877, and expenditure up to 31st March, 1877.

Districts.	Amount sanctioned.	Total outlay since the commencement of distress up to 31st March, 1877.	
		On Relief Works.	Gratuitous Relief.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Kistna	90,000	62,746	2,022
Nellore	9,53,000	5,33,868	53,285
Cuddapah	17,20,000	15,05,445	6,136
Bellary	43,16,000	35,27,566	2,07,201
Kurnool	30,21,000	30,71,991	32,904
Chingleput	1,45,365	1,36,536	21,012
North Arcot	2,45,450	2,06,189	2,382
South Arcot	15,000	Not received.	
Tanjore	10,000		Do.
Trichinopoly	5,000	2,712	...
Madura	1,43,000	60,078	2,653
Tinnevely	64,200	9,995	1,216
Coimbatore	3,00,000	1,96,917	2,320
Nilgiris	1,210	Not received.	
Salem	3,61,000	2,87,452	34,560
Malabar	5,520	Not received.	
Total...	1,13,96,493	96,01,495	3,65,691

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
MADRAS, 6th April, 1877.

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Secretary.

F. No. 2,236.

Revenue {1877} Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,

Dated 6th }
Despd. 6th } April, 1877.
Recd. 6th }

Submitting to Government Relief Reports for the
week ending 31st March, 1877.

Lawrence Asylum Press—1877.

Cuddapah
Madura
Salem
Chingleput
Nellore
Biddam
Combatore

Revenue Department.
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue 55
Dated 6th April 1877.

The Board submit to Government
the relief reports for the week ending 31st of
March with the usual Statements and maps
of the districts marginally noted. The South
Arcot and Malabar reports are again wanting
and telegraphic summaries only have been
received from Krishna and Kurnool.

2. Prices are nearly stationary. In
Cuddapah there has been a general decline
of prices in Kadiri, but rasi has risen
in 3 taluks. Biddam prices show a slight
tendency to rise, but there is a remarkable
fall in rice at Harpanahally from 5.8 to
7 Sars which affects the district average.
In Chingleput rice has risen in Ponnur,
but rasi is cheaper at Tirvellore probably
owing to the fall of rain which has
taken place there. In North Arcot prices
have fallen at Arcot, Arnee, —

Gudiatnam

Gudiattem and Kamsundi. In Salem
the recovery in Dharampury noticed last
week is ascribed to large importation
having set in. There is a fall at
Ahtur, but no other changes to note in
that district, or in Coimbatore except
a rise in rafi and Cumbos at
Sattionunfalum and in rafi at
Dharapuram. The prices of the
better kinds of Cholam and of
rafi and Cumbos have risen in
the Sub Division taluks of Madura.
Rafi is cheaper in Tinivelly. There
is no change of importance
in Trichinopoly.

3. Rainfall. There has
been very general rain during
the week, Bellary being the

only district from which none is reported.
It has been heavy in Kistna, & fell in
six taluks of Stettore, ranging from
3 inches in Thanigiri to 15 in Mandukur.
The Permain has again been in fresh
& water supply is now pretty well assured.
The rain in Cuddalore was heaviest
in the south of the district but
nowhere reached an inch. There was
rain in six taluks of Tiruvol - In
Chingleput 2.6 inches fell at Tiruvollore
& a shower at Conjeeraram. There was
good rain in the central portion of
it. At least reaching $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches at Kara-
yanavaram, & half an inch was
registered at Palmanair. Rain
fell in 5 taluks of Salem, the
highest being 17 inches in Ahtur.
In Madura 1.83 inches fell in
Periyakolam and showers were received

in the Eastern parts of Trichinopoly and South of Coimbatore, and in four of the distressed taluks in Tinnevely.

Rain thus fell in almost every district but the showers though heavy in places were scattered & capricious: They are too early for much benefit to cultivation, but will improve water supply & forage for cattle. The Cotton crop in Tinnevely is reported to have benefited much by recent rain.

4. The grants for works & charitable relief made by the Board up to 31st March were Rs 113,35,283; and Rs 99,67,186 were expended on these objects. The grants have been exceeded in Kurnool & Chingliput & further funds will be separately placed at the collectors' disposal. The following abstract,

of the outlay on works in progress so far as details are available:-

	In the week	Up to the week
Roads-		
New Works - - - -	144186	3545929
Repairs - - - - -	65935	1010762
	210121	4656691
Irrigation works - -	25400	428685
Miscellaneous - - - -	41901	500693
	277422	5486069

A further statement shewing the numbers & magnitudes of the works undertaken in all districts except Kurnool is appended; and the following is a summary of it.

	In progress		Completed	
	Number	Length in miles	Number	Length in miles
Roads -				
New works - - -	354	2657	88	289
Repairs - - - -	233	2062	55	353
Total - - - - -	587	4719	143	642
Irrigation works -				
New works - - -	55		24	
Repairs - - - -	784		150	
Miscellaneous - -	2420		1287	
	3848		1604	

The new road works are principally in Bellary, Cuddapah, and

and Salem and the road repairs in Bellary, St. street, & Coimbatore. The irrigation works are most numerous in Salem, Bellary, Chingleput and Coimbatore. The great number of works classed as Miscellaneous are chiefly wells and drinking water tanks.

5. Numbers on Relief works. The totals for each district are compared below with last week's report:-

	24 th March	31 st March	
Kistna	2630	1875	-755
Kullow	35734	28824	-6310
Cuddapah	73702	78902	+5200
Bellary	212139	225485	+13346
Amurul	185443	202142	+16699
Chingleput	10499	10829	+330
St. street	23245	29469	+6224
S. street	538	538	"
Madura	8291	8447	+156
Tirumangal	1980	1786	-194
Coimbatore	24480	21532	-2948
Salem	57258	48775	-3083
	629289	657954	+28665
	30911	34970	+4059
P. Coast Mandal	660200	692924	+32724

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6. There is thus a considerable increase during the week which but for a decrease in the numbers in Kullow, Coimbatore and Salem, would have amounted to some forty five thousand. The report does not explain the decrease in Kullow, but it is due to some extent to drafts of coolies to the East Coast Canal. It however occurs chiefly in the Attur and Ranigeri taluks which are remote from the Coast and where some large works seem to have been finished. The Collector is requested to report on the continued decrease in numbers in the last few weeks.

7. The increase in Cuddapah occurs in the four subdivision taluks where the numbers have risen from 27617 to 34793. In Pulerendala, Prodattoor and Kullampet there is a further increase of 2288; but in other taluks a decrease. The Subcollector appears

appears to have taken it upon himself to defer reduction of wages to those fixed for lower tasks and a report on the subject is before the Board and will be separately submitted. The taluk details for the Bellary district are given in the margin. There is a

general tendency to increase but the cause of the variations are not given in all cases. The Board report to notice increases in Adoni and Alur, see the fall in Bellary is set off by the increase in Alur is ascribed to return of coolies rejected on medical grounds; in Kodakkeira and Kudliji to abatement of cholera panic; and in the panchalli and Hadafalli to influx from the Mysore country. The decrease in Gooty is due to work being available at the Railway station and to concentrations

	24 th March	31 st March	
Adoni	52575	54649	+ 2074
Alur	17640	19735	+ 2095
Gooty	12178	10183	- 1995
Sadpatri	9958	10669	+ 713
Anantapur	9298	11390	+ 2092
Dhatmavaram	1887	1651	- 336
Pinkonda	1865	2336	+ 471
Hindapur	678	871	+ 193
Kodakkeira	5087	12044	+ 6957
Raidurg	9363	6302	- 3061
Bellary	48659	41299	- 7360
Koppet	13673	16202	+ 2529
Sundar	2926	2987	+ 61
Kudliji	6352	7562	+ 1210
Hospanhalli	12230	14740	+ 2510
Hadafalli	7772	13025	+ 5253
	212139	225485	+ 13346

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 P. The Collection of Kurivool states that the increase in the District is to a great extent annual and due to defective returns chiefly from the Amulur Division in the previous week. In North Arcot there is a great increase in the Waller taluk (2896 to 6679) and in Pingavoor, Chittoor, Chendragheri and Telloor numbers have also risen. The aggregate number on works in the East - ern by amulur to is 8940, against 8745 on the 24th March. Those employed on the railway works near Amulur are not included in the report. The returns for Coimbatore and Salem exhibit a decrease. That in Coimbatore is due to report from Dool Salug not having been received. The Collection will take due notice of this default. There is increase in Coimbatore and Dharapuram taluks and decline in Udumalpet.

be held owing to return of coolies
from the Madras District.

In Salem, there is an increase
of about 400 in Uttengarai and
Dharanpuri, but decrease in
all other taluqs, probably owing
to prospects being more hope-
ful from recent rains. The de-
crease in Tamirvelly is due to in-
igation of district by the same
cause and to commencement of
agricultural operations. The Madras
returns call for remarks.

9. Rates of Wages. Higher task
rates are given in posts of Chudda-
poh; in the principal division
rates are fixed with reference
to rice. The state of affairs in
the Sub-division has been above
alluded to. The old rates (20s, 12 4p
and 10 p) are still in force in
Kadisi. The new scale, with lower
task rates is in force throughout
Belur; but the rate for a man only varies
from

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from 12 4p to 12 9p owing to the adoption
sometimes of rice and sometimes of
Cholam as the standard grain. In
Salem, a single rate, to 7 1/2 seers the
average price of rice, seems to be
adopted, which is wrong. The new scale
is in force throughout Stallor, Chingapur,
North Street, and Tamirvelly, rates for
higher task appearing in the following
Taluqs. Sandipett, Pulladam, Kodumudi,
Petta, Caroor, Conibatur, Therapuram,
Sivilliputhur, Sallur, Tankaranam,
Movil, Ottapidaram, Addanki,
Manigiri and Darsi. The scale in
Stallor seems not very correctly
worked. There is great diversity of rates
in all districts in which it is in
operation owing apparently to different
grains being adopted. The attention
of Collectors is called to the subject. If
the instructions are properly observed,
greater uniformity should appear.

11. The outlay during the week and up to it is classified as follows.

	In the week Rs	Up to the week Rs
Relief works	401,712	9601,495
Gratuitous relief	31,536	3,65,691
	<u>4,33,248</u>	<u>9967,186</u>

The usual Memorandum showing grants sanctioned by the Board to date is enclosed, the total is Rs 11396493.

12. The following are details of advances from famine funds under the Land Improvement Act, for digging wells.

	In the week Rs	Up to the week Rs
Mellor	"	"
Buddapah	7945	12,846
Bellary	"	33,188
Chingleput	7475	1270
Madura	1275	7475
Tinnevely	1915	1275
Salem	3,779	16,970
	<u>22,389</u>	<u>77,253</u>

The considerable advances made during the week is satisfactory.

13. The Establishment returns are summarized

Mellor. Return has not been received from Mellor. The expenditure on establishment is steadily rising.

	Relief	Payment of wages	Accounts	Total	Pay of Superintendents
	Monthly pay	Monthly pay	Monthly pay	Monthly pay	Monthly pay
Mellor					
Buddapah	266 11797	64 687	94 1146	424 13630	13 8170
Bellary	857 16781	225 3145	76 1543	1158 21469	9 3680
Hurnool	538 19204	276 2647	66 907	880 22758	26 7880
Chingleput	89 2110	16 189	2 27	105 2326	1 6140
North Arcot	155 4633	6 30	103 834	264 5497	4 2290
Madura	38 2882	"	51 851	89 3653	3 1935
Tinnevely	72 667	3 20	1 8	76 695	1 350
Coimbatore	102 1695	30	12 152	144 1847	1 425
Salem	162 5323	10 132	70 1026	242 6551	4 1910
	<u>2277 6582</u>	<u>630 6850</u>	<u>475 6494</u>	<u>3382 7226</u>	<u>62 29145</u>

14. The report of the Commissioner of Police Madras gives the following details: average number of resident paupers in relief camps 11813; number non-resident 12411; number in hospital on 31st March 512; deaths, 120 in hospital 14 in camps; outlay in the week Rs 24,260, and up to the week Rs 318,403. The paupers resident

on 31st March belonged to the following
districts. Chingleput 6062; North Arcot
2509; Nellore 3087; others 131; total 11759.

The Board have also been favoured by
the President Municipal Commission
with a return of the numbers employed
on relief works carried on by him from
Famine Funds placed at his disposal,
and of the inmates of a relief camp which
he has established at Tattankad, on
the northern Canal. The relief labourers
numbered 4483 and the residents paupers
760 on the 31st March.

(True Extract)

H. C. S. S.

Secretary

To

The Additional Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
with ¹⁷original returns & 6 statements

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Board's Review of
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Three copies of the Board's review of the reports on the condition of the several Taluqs of the Nellore District are herewith circulated for the use of the Members of Government.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,
dated 7th April, 1877. 1573:-

Read letters from the Collector of Nellore, submitting Taluqwar reports on the state of the district,

Dated 15th January 1877, No. 257.
" 20th January 1877, No. 381.
" 6th February 1877, No. 582.
" 19th February 1877, No. 880.
" 21st February 1877, No. 906.
" 2nd March 1877, No. 958.
" 16th March 1877, No. 1,115.
" 16th March 1877, No. 1,148.

The Board submit to Government the following review of the reports received from the Nellore district regarding the condition of the several taluqs in connection with the present famine, together with 3 statements shewing, (1) the area of cultivation, rainfall, the estimated out-turn of crops, and the probable remissions, (2) the course of prices and, (3) the expenditure on relief operations.

2. The area of the district is about 8,462 square miles, and the population 1,374,000. It is divided into 9 Government taluqs and 4 Zemindary divisions. All the 4 Zemindary divisions belong to the estate of the Rajah of Venkatagiri, and contain an area of 1,555 miles and a population of 215,747. The realizable Government demand of the district was in Fasli 85 a little over 28 lakhs of Rupees, of which 5½ lakhs appertained to permanently settled estates and shrotriem villages, and the remainder to ryotwari lands.

3. The season in Fasli 1285 was very unfavorable owing to deficient rainfall, and the yield of the wet crops, especially in the south-western part of the district was far below the average. The dry crops, however, yielded fairly.

believe that there is now no cause for any serious apprehensions of scarcity of water.

10. (e.) *Prices.*—The average weekly prices of rice and cholum, the principal food-grains, in seers of 80 tolahs for a Rupee, in the months of October, November and December of the current year, as compared with the average of the corresponding months of the previous 5 years, are shewn below:—

	Cholum.		2nd Sort Rice.	
	1876.	Average of past 5 years.	1876.	Average of past 5 years.
October—				
1st Week	22.9		13.1	
2nd do	20.4		12.3	
3rd do	16.9		11.0	
4th do	15.9		10.4	
Average ...	19.0	28.5	11.7	17.4
November—				
1st Week	13.5		8.8	
2nd do	12.7		8.2	
3rd do	11.7		7.8	
4th do	10.0		7.1	
Average ...	12.0	28.3	8.0	17.1
December—				
1st Week	9.6		6.8	
2nd do	9.1		6.4	
3rd do	9.1		6.6	
4th do	8.5		6.5	
Average ...	9.1	27.9	6.6	16.8

11. Since January there has been a tendency to a decline in prices:—

	Cholum.		Second Sort Rice.	
	1877.	Average of past 5 years.	1877.	Average of past 5 years.
January—				
1st Week	8.2		6.8	
2nd "	8.2		6.9	
3rd "	8.3		7.1	
4th "	8.5		7.3	
Average	8.3	29.5	7.0	18.0
February—				
1st Week	9.2		8.0	
2nd "	9.2		8.1	
3rd "	9.5		8.2	
4th "	9.5		8.1	
Average	9.4	28.4	8.1	16.9
March—				
1st Week	9.3		8.1	
2nd "	9.9		8.0	
3rd "	10.0		7.8	
4th "	10.0		7.9	
Average	9.8	27.9	8.0	15.6

The quotations for the taluq stations on the 24th March were as follows:—

Stations.	Cholum.	Second Sort rice.
Ongole.....	11.0	8.3
Kandukur.....	10.6	8.7
Kanigiri.....	8.7	7.9
Udayagiri.....	...	7.9
Kavali.....	10.0	8.5
Atmakur.....	8.0	7.0
Nellore.....	10.5	8.0
Rapur.....	7.9	7.0
Gudur.....	...	8.0

12. (f.) *Stocks of grain.*—No accurate information is available regarding the stock of grain in the district. It is, however, believed to be very small. The harvest of 1874 was a fair one, but in 1873 the crops were severely damaged by floods, and in 1875 by drought. In the months of October, November and December too, a very large quantity of the stock in the district was exported to the Ceded Districts and Kurnool. There cannot, therefore, be much grain other than that which has come into the market. Rice, it is said, is being freely imported by sea from Conacada and Balasore, and also by the East Coast Canal (which, however, is no longer navigable), and by land from Madras and Guntoor. Kottapatam is the principal port at which grain is landed, and the supplies are thence distributed to the taluqs. Want of railway communication between the several parts of the district is a great drawback, but the length of the seaboard is some compensation. Trade seems to be sufficiently active, and private enterprise may be relied upon to maintain supplies. The Collector does not say whether the supply is being continuously maintained in the remote village markets, but presumably there is no difficulty at present. Owing to ample importations and the cessation of export to the Ceded Districts, the prices have somewhat fallen, but no material decline in prices is anticipated till there is a secure prospect for local cultivation.

13. (g.) *Character of population.*—The population of the district, according to the Census

of 1871, classified according to caste, is as follows:—

Hindus:—

Brahmins.....	64,537
Kshatriyas.....	12,090
Chetties.....	64,802
Others.....	1,169,238
Mahomedans.....	65,670
Europeans.....	101
Eurasians.....	237
Others.....	136

1,376,811

The male adult population, arranged with reference to profession, is as follows:—

Learned Professions.....	11,921
Domestic.....	32,171
Commercial.....	31,019
Agricultural.....	200,360
Industrial.....	76,560
Labourers.....	118,249
Property-holders.....	5,732
Non-productive.....	9,886
Others.....	8,634

494,532

The majority of the population is agricultural and poor. There are, however, some rich Reddies and merchants. The Ongole taluq is a rich one, and relief works on any but a trifling scale have not been found necessary there. The Rajah of Venkatagiri and the Zemindar of Kalastri are two of the wealthiest landholders. The estate of the Venkatagiri Rajah covers nearly $\frac{1}{4}$ of the area of the whole district. He promised to spend 2 lakhs of Rupees on relief works, but after spending about 12,000 stopped the works, and it is believed that his professions of willingness to help his people will come to nothing. A European officer has been lately deputed to inspect and report on the condition of his estate. The Zemindar of Kalastri has done nothing to help his tenants. Very little assistance can be looked for from other landholders. Besides ryotwari proprietors, there are all poligars, generally in debt.

14. (h) *Emigration*.—There has been no emigration to any noticeable extent. A few have left for the Kistna district and have gone to Madras from the Venkatagiri Zemindary in the south. The Collector has notified to the people the advantages of emigration to the Mauritius and Natal, where there is demand for labour, but further emigration to any large extent is not probable.

15. (i) *Relief measures*.—The amount sanctioned on account of relief works up to 24th March, 1877, amounts to Rs. 9,53,000, and the probable cost of works actually taken up or sanctioned, to Rs. 5,70,432. The works undertaken will afford employment for the present except in the Zemindary tracts. They consist of the construction of roads, repair of tanks, and the improvement of water-supply. The district being deficient in village communications, a large number of these works have been taken up. The extension of the East Coast Canal between the Pennair and Commanore Canal, a distance of 82 miles, has been commenced and labourers of this district are now admitted as well as coolies from the Ceded Districts and Kurnool. This work alone is capable of employing 90,000 coolies for some months, but only about 30,000 are employed on it, as the people are unwilling to leave the neighbourhood of their homes. In case of distress, increasing the work will meet fully the requirements of the district. In the Zemindary tracts there has been some difficulty in the selection of works. The irrigation works could not be undertaken by Government as they all belong to the Zemindars, and as regards roads too, compensation has to be settled with the Zemindars for lands taken up. The Collector has been directed to use his best endeavours to have all persons in quest of employment drafted off to the East Coast Canal, and considerable numbers have already been transferred from the district works; this, it is hoped, will obviate the difficulty.

16. The following statement shews the number of persons on relief works and of those receiving gratuitous relief from 16th December,

from which regular returns are available up to 24th March:—

Dates.	On relief works.				On gratuitous relief.			
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
16th December, 1876	14,533	13,127	4,260	31,920	...	...	...	440
23rd do.	16,759	15,503	5,006	37,268	...	...	...	430
30th do.	20,155	17,637	6,080	43,851	...	...	...	1,111
6th January, 1877	24,290	21,092	6,180	51,412	368	565	278	3,400
13th do.	24,336	25,755	8,050	58,061	...	...	...	6,420
20th do.	24,768	25,310	9,235	59,313	...	...	...	7,866
27th do.	20,449	22,899	7,914	51,262	...	...	...	8,103
3rd February, 1877	25,539	25,134	8,109	58,782	...	...	...	9,639
10th do.	25,448	24,319	7,239	57,006	...	...	...	5,405
17th do.	23,666	24,513	6,770	54,949	...	...	...	9,025
24th do.	17,474	19,252	5,663	42,389	...	...	...	5,953
3rd March, 1877	20,393	21,405	6,491	48,289	...	...	...	4,081
10th do.	23,565	24,303	6,678	54,546	...	...	...	5,204
17th do.	16,907	17,660	6,153	39,720	...	...	...	5,095
24th do.	13,390	16,091	5,153	34,634	...	...	...	6,613

These figures are exclusive of those employed on the East Coast Canal. Owing to stricter supervision and transfers to the Canal, there has been a large reduction in numbers. The expenditure on relief works up to 24th March has been Rs. 518,238* and on gratuitous relief Rs. 46,200.

* Road.....	Rs. 425,683
Irrigation works.....	62,641
Miscellaneous.....	29,914
	518,238

17. (j.) *Charitable relief*.—The village officers have been ordered to feed and send to the nearest poor house all persons in danger of death by starvation. At all Sub-Magistrates' stations and in important villages, poor houses have been opened in which cooked food is served out to infirm and destitute persons.

18. (k.) *Estimates of numbers on relief works, &c., for the future*. The local officers estimate the numbers likely to be on the hands of Go-

vernment on 1st May at 104,000, and on 1st July at 97,000, but the Board think that the estimates will not be realized. If good showers fall in the month of April, cultivation operations will be commenced and large numbers will desert the relief works. If there is no rain, the distress will certainly increase and the present numbers may be doubled (70,000). It is difficult to estimate what the numbers will be if no rain falls in June. There will certainly be upwards of 1,00,000.

(True Extract)

H. E. STOKES,

Secretary.

To

The Additional Secretary to Government, R. D., with copies of 8 letters and 23 enclosures to be returned, and 3 statements.

Land Revenue demand for Fasli 1285. (Arrears and Current.)										Rough proportion of early and late cultivation, (ryotwari.)				Average of actual cultivation during the last five years, (ryotwari.)	
Taluka	Area	Population	Permanently Settled and Shrotriem Jodi.		Ryotwari and Miscellaneous.		Period.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	April to September, S. W. Monsoon.	
			Arrears.	Current.	Arrears.	Current.									Total.
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
1 Ongole	790	196,379	630	7,596	12,217	3,21,448	3,41,921								
2 Kandukur	726	138,742	1,571	81,849	14,101	2,54,097	3,01,618								
3 Kanigiri	705	125,790	289	1,465	12,634	47,377	61,765								
4 Udayagiri	592	100,509	131	5,913	4,521	56,800	67,365								
5 Kavali	523	80,926	2,029	7,798	72,443	1,32,028	2,14,298								
6 Atmakur	606	104,443	3,128	9,449	89,068	1,78,984	2,80,629								
7 Nellore	638	182,824	6,692	18,371	2,72,908	2,95,236	5,93,207								
8 Gudur	820	142,344	6,333	16,359	1,53,947	2,59,936	4,36,575								
9 Rapar	540	63,726	833	9,094	20,737	89,215	1,19,879								
Zemindari Divisions															
10 Polur	185	50,686													
11 Venkatagiri	477	51,457	21,405	3,77,103			2,98,508								
12 Podile	405	62,918													
13 Darsi	488	76,268													
Total	7,495														
Unsurveyed portion, Hills	967														
Grand Total	8,462	4,374,012	43,041	4,84,997	6,52,576	16,37,617	28,18,231	April to September... October to December... January to March	30.4 53.3 16.3	42.1 41.8 16.1	177,430 68,309 245,739				

Actual cultivation of the current year (ryotwari.)

Average of actual cultivation during the last 5 years (ryotwari.)

Taluka	October to December, N. E. Monsoon.			January to March.			Total.			April to September, S. W. Monsoon.			October to December, N. E. Monsoon.			Total.		
	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.
1 Ongole																		
2 Kandukur																		
3 Kanigiri																		
4 Udayagiri																		
5 Kavali																		
6 Atmakur																		
7 Nellore																		
8 Gudur																		
9 Rapur																		
Zemindari Div.																		
10 Polur																		
11 Venkatagiri																		
12 Podile																		
13 Darsi																		
Total																		
Unsurveyed portion, Hills																		
Grand Total	309,449	67,796	377,245	95,779	121,753	582,658	162,079	744,737	118,799	48,248	167,047	105,634	23,929	129,563	224,483	72,177	298,610	1571 72

Particulars not reported by Collector.

No particulars of cultivation are available for Zemindari Divisions.

Taluk	Average rainfall during the last 3 years.				Rainfall in the current year.			An estimate of the amount (if any) of the crop saved calculated in Annas on the assumption of an average yield being represented by 12 annas, any prospect of further sowings.	Remission.			Remarks.		
	April to Sep.	Oct. to Dec.	Jan. to March.	Total.	April to Sep.	Oct. to Dec.	Total.		Dry.	Wet.	Total.			
1 Ongole	17.7	14.9	5	33.1	15.15	2.55	17.70		1/2 anna.		157,411			
2 Kanchipuram	16.5	15.2	2.0	33.7	9.95	1.65	11.60		1 anna.	89,887	75,353	174,240		
3 Kanigiri	15.7	8.7	3	24.7	5.65	1.65	7.30		(a) 2 annas.			36,000		
4 Udayagiri	12.6	14.8	1.5	28.9	6.25	3.80	10.05		(a) Only a bonus crop on a small area saved. Out turn will not exceed 2 annas and will probably be nil.	25,886	9,114	35,000		
5 Karali	13.4	30.7	1.3	45.4	10.77	0.82	11.59		There are 2 crops yet due on a small area. Out turn may be 4 annas.	48,752	96,455	145,207		
6 Almakur	13.1	26.8	8	34	4.30	0.20	4.50		(b) Wet failure. Dry 2 annas.			264,000*		
7 Nellore	12.4	22.8	1.0	36.2	10.21	3.30	13.51		(b) 1/2 anna.	Particulars		86,000		
8 Gudur	14.5	17.5		32.0	2.70		2.70		(b) 3 annas.	not given by Collr.		263,006		
9 Rapur	15.7	24.8	5	41.0	6.95	2.65	9.60		(b) Wet 1 anna. Dry 2 annas.			257,000		
Zamindari Divisions														
10 Polur	No particulars	available.							No information					
11 Venkatagiri	16.2	21.7	1.0	38.9	9.0	3.80	12.80		(b) 4 annas.					
12 Podile	No particulars	available.			6.95	2.20	9.15							
13 Darsi	13.1	9.2		22.3										
Total...									(a) There was no data for calculating the proportion of total out turn saved to that of an ordinary year.			1,418,063		
Unsurveyed portion, Hills														
Grand Total...	14.4	20.2	1.1	35.8	9.34	2.09	11.43		(b) In these cases it is not clear whether the estimates show merely the outturn of such lands only as yielded anything or are meant to denote the proportion of the total outturn of an ordinary year. It is presumed that the latter is meant.					

* The Collector says that Rupess 50,000 can only be collected out of a demand of Rupess 4,50,000, but the demand of Rupess being only Rs. 2,14,300. Rs. 2,14,000 have been entered as remissions.

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE, MADRAS, }
7th April, 1877.

H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

Nellore. — Prices of principal Food-grains.

Taluka.	Names of Food-grain.	October, 1876.				November, 1876.				December, 1876.				Average for the past 6 years in December.	Average for the past 6 years.
		Average for the past 6 years in October.				Average for the past 6 years in November.				Average for the past 6 years in December.					
		1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.	1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.	1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.		
1 Gudur	{ Rice, 2nd sort Cholum Cumbu Ragi	14.00 ... 24.00	12.50 ... 24.00	12.00	11.00	20.50 31.85 27.00 33.75	8.00	8.50	7.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	19.85 29.10 32.00 32.00	19.37 31.31 32.87 34.81	
2 Rapur	{ Rice, 2nd sort Cholum Cumbu Ragi	13.00 19.25 22.75 22.75	13.00 17.75 21.50 21.50	11.00 16.00 21.00 21.00	10.60 15.75 21.00 21.00	16.55 27.21 30.69 32.44	9.30 12.25 14.00 14.00	9.40 11.75 13.00 13.00	7.00 9.00 10.50 10.50	7.00 7.75 8.75 8.75	7.00 7.75 8.75 8.75	6.12 7.87 8.75 8.75	16.10 26.20 30.31 32.55	16.50 27.12 29.31 31.25	
3 Nellore	{ Rice, 2nd sort Cholum Cumbu Ragi	22.25 25.50	16.00 20.00	16.00 20.00	...	18.60 28.00 32.00 31.80	11.00 11.00 11.00 11.00	11.00	7.50	7.00 8.00 8.00 8.00	6.25 8.00 8.00 8.00	6.50 7.25 7.25 7.25	18.15 26.65 27.85 29.50	17.94 28.37 28.56 32.94	
4 Almakur	{ Rice, 2nd sort Cholum Cumbu Ragi	12.50 22.00 23.00	11.50 16.00 19.00	8.75 13.00 14.00	8.75 13.00 14.00	19.75 32.78 30.00 36.25	7.00 10.50 11.00 11.00	7.00 10.50 11.00 11.00	7.00 10.50 12.00 12.00	6.00 8.00 11.00 12.00	6.00 10.00 11.00 12.00	6.00 8.00 9.00 9.00	18.75 30.00 33.87 37.19	19.50 30.62 33.87 37.19	
5 Karali	{ Rice, 2nd sort Cholum Cumbu Ragi	13.00 23.50 25.50	10.00 17.50 20.00	9.75 14.00 21.25	9.00 14.00 18.00	18.10 30.00 34.10	8.25 14.00 14.00	7.00 13.00 13.00	8.50 13.00 14.00	6.50 8.00 10.00	6.50 8.00 10.00	7.00 8.00 9.00	17.05 28.25 32.50	18.75 29.00 32.50	
6 Udayagiri	{ Rice, 2nd sort Cholum Cumbu Ragi	18.00 20.00	17.50 19.25	14.00 15.75	13.50 14.80	18.12 27.79 38.00 36.27	12.25 14.00 15.75	12.25 13.12 13.12	9.00 10.50 10.50	7.56 27.97 36.79 34.74	7.56 27.97 36.79 34.74	5.25 7.50 7.50	16.66 26.95 31.40 31.15	16.66 26.95 31.40 31.15	
7 Kandukur	{ Rice, 2nd sort Cholum Cumbu Ragi	15.00 27.00 32.00	15.00 27.00 32.00	12.00 16.00 21.00	12.00 16.00 21.00	15.56 27.99 31.35 34.54	12.00 16.00 24.00	10.00 13.00 17.00	9.00 12.50 12.50	15.17 28.11 33.35 34.21	15.17 28.11 33.35 34.21	7.40 8.75 10.50	15.70 27.15 31.60 34.05	15.87 27.63 30.37 33.60	
8 Kanigiri	{ Rice, 2nd sort Cholum Cumbu Ragi	11.25 24.50 24.50 24.50	11.25 24.50 24.50 24.50	9.50 19.25 21.00 21.00	9.50 19.25 18.60 15.60	15.03 26.25 27.90 31.27	7.25 14.00 14.00 15.75	7.25 14.00 14.00 15.75	7.00 12.25 12.25 14.00	14.59 28.00 32.84 23.27	14.59 28.00 32.84 23.27	6.56 10.50 10.50 10.50	14.75 26.95 31.40 31.15	14.37 26.87 27.75 32.69	

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NELLORE — Prices of principal Food-grains. — Concluded.

Talucs.	Names of food-grain.	October, 1876.				November, 1876.				Average for the past 5 years in November.	December, 1876.				Average for the past 5 years in December.	Average for the past 5 years.
		1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.	1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.		1st Week.	2nd Week.	3rd Week.	4th Week.		
9 Ongole	Rice, 2nd sort	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	8.75	7.00	13.78	7.00	7.00	7.12	7.40	14.45	14.69
	Cholum	27.00	27.00	27.00	21.00	18.50	16.00	12.25	10.50	24.56	10.50	8.75	9.50	8.75	27.20	26.13
	Ragi	30.00	30.00	30.00	26.00	23.50	21.00	...	10.50	27.87	10.50	...	10.00	9.20	26.87	33.19
<i>Zemindary Divisions.</i>																
10 Darsi	Rice, 2nd sort	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14.20	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	14.20	...
	Cholum	...	...	...	22.32	...	...	...	...	24.85	...	...	...	...	26.82	...
	Ragi	...	...	...	19.99	...	...	...	...	27.82	...	...	...	...	27.5	...
11 Podili	Rice, 2nd sort	...	...	...	10.50	...	...	...	...	14.85	12.25	11.50	11.50	11.50	30.92	...
	Cholum	...	...	...	18.48	...	...	...	...	8.75	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	14.0	...
	Ragi	...	...	...	16.94	...	...	...	...	13.44	12.25	8.75	8.75	8.75	29.90	...
12 Venkatagiri	Rice, 2nd sort	...	...	...	13.92	...	...	...	...	12.32	12.25	10.50	8.75	8.75	33.20	...
	Cholum	...	...	...	12.47	...	...	...	...	13.08	12.25	10.50	8.75	8.75	34.40	...
	Ragi	...	...	...	15.20	...	...	...	...	8.37	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.0	18.60	...
13 Polur	Rice, 2nd sort	...	...	...	11.50	...	...	...	...	19.85	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	31.0	...
	Cholum	...	...	...	13.92	...	...	...	...	23.73	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	30.86	...
	Ragi	...	...	...	15.20	...	...	...	...	31.45	9.0	8.75	8.75	8.0	31.0	...
<i>Zemindary Divisions.</i>																
14 Venkatagiri	Rice, 2nd sort	...	...	...	11.50	...	...	...	...	16.5	8.0	8.50	8.50	8.50	16.5	...
	Cholum	...	...	...	13.92	...	...	...	...	33.60	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Ragi	...	...	...	15.20	...	...	...	...	32.63	...	...	...	...	30.78	...

* N.B.—Monthly averages alone are available for the months of October and November, 1876, for Zemindary Divisions. The average of the previous 4 years is given for comparison.

Revenue Board Office,
Madras, 7th April, 1877.

H. E. STOKES,
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Talucs.	Grant of Funds sanctioned for relief works up to 24th March, 1877.	Probable cost of works or sums sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay since the commencement of distress.		Number of coolies employed on 24th March, 1877.				Number of persons in receipt of gratuitous relief on 24th March, 1877.				Estimate of the number of persons on 1st May.		Estimate of the number of persons on the 1st July.	
			On relief works.	Gratuitous relief.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	On works.	On gratuitous relief.	On works.	Total.
Gudur	Rs. 38,698	Rs. 26,600	6,220	6,220	645	881	331	1,857	134	248	132	514	...	...	...	3,000
Repur	26,135	19,092	2,389	2,389	64	96	50	210	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nellore	13,632	12,622	3,492	3,492	364	604	189	1,157	113	263	643	1,019	2,500	2,500	5,000	7,500
Atmakur	97,495	90,700	15,207	15,207	2,100	2,797	608	5,505	122	260	425	807	15,000	3,000	20,000	25,000
Kavali	96,750	91,103	7,133	7,133	3,743	3,430	890	8,063	254	436	840	1,580	19,000	4,000	35,000	43,000
Udayagiri	1,15,387	1,13,402	1,677	1,677	3,145	5,053	1,877	10,075	158	389	354	901	20,600	700	18,090	18,540
Kundakur	90,225	86,251	3,492	3,492	569	898	176	1,553	77	210	281	568	5,000	...	...	...
Kanigiri	34,000	32,095	712	712	861	1,094	321	2,276	75	174	23	272	15,000	1,000	...	...
Ongole	790	177	1,055	1,055	13	13	...	13	60	80	99	239	...	1,000	...	...
Addanki Divn.	9,720	8,455	248	248	427	730	243	1,400	14	20	9	43	...	...	...	...
Zemindary "	8,000	7,115	8	8	291	356	131	708	...	...	...	...	4,840	900	6,140	...
Darsi	5,600	4,050	584	584	723	326	135	1,184	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Podile	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Zemindary Tracts.	34,000	26,486	3,343	3,343	410	516	202	1,128	...	...	...	630 Not reported	...	...	...	...
Total	9,53,000	5,70,432	5,18,238	46,200	13,290	16,691	5,153	35,134	...	...	...	6,613	...	...	102,940	97,040

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MADRAS, 7th April, 1877.

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