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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th January 1877

No 358A. — Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th December 1876, No 3,328 —

The Board submit to Government the returns of prices and rainfall and the reports of relief for the distressed district for the week ending Saturday, the 23rd instant. The detailed returns of works submitted in original, and, those of last week not having yet been returned from the Government Office, no comparison of details is possible. The Kurnool and Kistna reports are telegraphic and imperfect.

2 Prices — Returns from three taluqs in Cuddapah, three of Nellore, and one of Chingleput are wanting. The prices given

* Hence some slight discrepancies between the average prices now entered for the 16th December and those given in the Board's last abstract. There were some slight errors in calculation of averages in the Bellary return.

3 Rice — Prices have fallen very slightly in Nellore and Bellary, but have risen elsewhere, especially in Chingleput and North Arcot.

4 Cholum — Prices have fallen fractionally in Coimbatore. Elsewhere they are either stationary or rising slightly. The apparent rise in Madura is due to the quotation of last week including some inferior descriptions as explained in last week's report.

5 Raggi — Prices may be said to be stationary in Coimbatore, but have risen elsewhere. The rise is trifling, except in Nellore (12.5 per cent) and Madura (8 per cent).

6 Cumboo was stationary in Bellary and there was a slight fall in Nellore and Kurnool. Elsewhere prices have risen, in Chingleput to the extent of nine per cent. Generally speaking, all prices show continual tendency to rise.

7 Rainfall — There was no rain during the week in any district except Madura, where partial rain fell. In Melur Taluq 1.7, in Madura 1.25, in Tirumangalam 0.75, and in Dindigul 0.65 inches were registered. None fell in the other taluqs. The rainfall has not affected prices in the district.

8 Relief — The amount of grants sanctioned by the Board and Government for relief works up to the 22nd December was Rupees 27,16,429. The accounts rendered as to appropriation for works sanctioned for execution are still very imperfect, and a comparison of the totals is useless. The Board will briefly review the returns received from each district as regards appropriation and outlay on works.

9 Bellary — Detailed returns of works are furnished only for ten taluqs. In Bellary and Dharmavaram specific estimates

or appropriations for works appear not to have been made, which is a grave irregularity to be at once put a stop to. The district returns are evidently not accurately prepared. Large outlay during the week appears against several works on which no coolies were employed on the 23rd instant, and many works are included on which no outlay was incurred within the week. These works may in both cases be completed, but the Collector's attention is called to the instruction that the proper way to show outlay on completed works is to include it in the "total outlay in the taluq since the commencement of distress". There are three works in the Bellary Taluq in which more than Rupees 50,000 have

Outlay to the End of the Week.

	Rs.
Bellary Taluq	873 32
Dharmavaram	43 44

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been spent without estimate. Of works for which estimate has been made, only two in the Rairug Taluq are to cost Rupees 30,000 or upwards. The outlay on relief works during the week amounted to Rupees 2,10,166, and up to the week on works The outlay in Adoni from 1st to 16th Dec. entered in the return Rs. 9,90,075, and December not included. It has not yet been reported.

10 *Kurnool*—The outlay in last week and Mirkapur excluded) as Rupees 1,5, and up to the week under report except Kolluntla. The outlay in this as in the week ending 16th instant was Rupees 7, 0,000 (the latter does not include outlay in Cumbum and Mirkapur for previous weeks). The Board doubt whether the Collector is right in stating that Kolluntla alone is excluded in the present statement. Mr. Davidon is requested to endeavour to introduce some system and accuracy into these reports, to which Government attach great importance. The grants to 22nd instant aggregated Rupees 3,21,000, considerably less than the sum spent.

11 *Cuddapah*—The Collector has reported last week's figures for Madanapalli and Pulivendla Taluqs. The totals for the district up to the week are, therefore, exclusive of the week's outlay in those taluqs. The Board resolve to add outlay for these taluqs at the same rate as last week, which will certainly be within the mark. So corrected, the outlay in the week will be Rupees 75,256, up to the week on works entered Rupees 2,92,474, and up to the week on all relief works Rupees 3,06,200. The grant to 22nd instant was Rupees 4,20,000. Specific estimates for works have not been sanctioned for any taluq except Proddatur. There are no works in this taluq for which 0,000 Rupees or more have been sanctioned, nor is there any work in the district on which a like sum has been spent.

12 *Nellore*—In this district detailed sanctions have not always been given, but there is no work entered as costing more than Rupees 30,000, or on which that sum has been spent. The outlay in the week was Rupees 16,308, and up to the week Rupees 82,947.

13 *North Arcot*—Here detailed sanctions aggregating Rupees 68,728, have been made against sum placed at the Collector's disposal—Rupees 26,100. The outlay to date is Rupees 32,290. Further sum will be granted in separate Proceedings. The outlay in the week was Rupees 11,08. There are no works of such magnitude as to require the sanction of the Government of India.

14 In *Chingleput* also specific appropriations have been made, and there are no large works. The sanctioned works amount to Rupees 62,270 out of a grant of Rupees 1,08,000. Outlay during the week Rupees 7,145, and up to the week Rupees 17,507. Attention is called to the remark of the Range Officer as to the work in Tirvellore quoted in the margin: 'I find that the willingness to work is more nominal than real. As far as I can see, the same people work at this as they would at any other time.'

15 *Salem*—The appropriations amount to Rupees 66,837 out of a grant of Rupees 96,000. There are large numbers of minor works especially in the subdivision, and no large works. The outlay in the week was Rupees 8,472, and the total outlay Rupees 20,229. In *Coimbatore* also the works are small, and the outlay in the week and up to it Rupees 4,543 and Rupees 12,704. The appropriations are Rupees 26,510 out of Rupees 1,00,000 grant.

16 In *Madura*—grant Rupees 40,470. Works costing Rupees 86,795 have been sanctioned for execution, but many are not commenced. The outlay in the week was Rupees 1,872 only, and up to the week Rupees 6,571. There are no large works, but a considerable number of irrigation repairs.

17 *Numbers employed*—The marginal table shows the total numbers employed according to the last and present returns. It has been increased in all districts except *Coimbatore*. The decrease in this district is unexplained. The total increase is 179,144, or 27½ per cent. The total numbers on relief works were on the 23rd instant almost exactly 834,000.

18 *Distribution*—The following statement shows the distribution as regards sex and age of the coolies employed in each district as particulars are available—

	PERCENTAGE OF		
	Men	Women	Children
Bellary	38.0	46.7	15.3
Cuddapah	41.7	44.6	13.7
Nellore	40.0	41.6	13.4
North Arcot	39.9	40.7	19.4
Chingleput	57.1	34.7	8.2
Salem	39.9	17.1	13.0
Coimbatore	39.3	53.4	7.3
Madura	29.9	43.6	20.5

19 *Chingleput* and *Nellore* have still a very high proportion of adult males. The low proportion of men in *Madura* and the high proportion of children in that district and *North Arcot* demand explanation. The Collectors will report the cause.

20 *Rates of Wages*—The present reports give more information as to the rates of wages than was available last week when particulars were given only for *North Arcot*, *Coimbatore*, and *Kurnool*. For *North Arcot* and *Kurnool* the information was wanting, but the Board presume that there has been no change since last week. The Board will notice the rates in each district as compared with prices ruling. It is unnecessary to analyse the wages given to maistries, kolkars, and head coolies, to whom special wages, varying a good deal, but higher than the maximum fixed by Government, are given.

21 *Bellary*—Grain wages appear to prevail only in the Bellary Taluq, where they are as follows—

	lbs
Man 1 (Bellary)	2 21
Woman 2	1 65
Child 3	1 10

The rates are, therefore, in excess of those allowed by Government

The money wages ruling in six taluqs are reported In Dharmavaram, Hindupur, Hospett, and Randrug the wages—men 2 annas, women 1 anna and 6 pies and children 1 anna In Hurpunnahalli the rates for men are from 2 annas to 3 and 6 annas, for women 1 anna and 6 pies, and for children 6 pies to 1 anna The rates above 2 annas paid to men are probably for head coolies and the like The Collector will report on the subject and be careful to see that the information for the taluqs is given in next return The following are the quantities of rice which the ordinary money wages will purchase at the average price of the district—

	A P	lbs
Men	2 0	1 81
Women	1 6	1 38
Children	1 0	92

The money wages are thus high, but lower than those paid in grain in Bellary Taluq

22 *Cuddapah*—Information is given for six taluqs only The rates vary greatly In Budwal, Jammalamadugu, and Cuddapah an ordinary cooly gets 2 annas, a woman 1 anna and 3 pies, and a boy 6 or 9 pies In Pulivendla men get from 1 anna to 1 anna and 3 pies, and boys from 3 pies to 1 anna In Proddatur ordinary coolies get from 9 pies to 1 anna and 3 pies (sex and age are not discriminated) and head coolies only 2 annas Grain payments are made in this taluq—head coolie 2 seer (1 55 lbs), 2nd coolies 1 seer (1 29 lbs), and 3rd coolies 1 1/2 seer (1 03 lbs) It is possible that the gradations may be for men, women, and children In Pullumpett ordinary men coolies get 1 anna and 9 pie and 2 annas, women 1 anna and 3 pie, boys 9 pies, and girls 6 pies So great diversity in the rates as seems to prevail in this district is not advisable, and the Collector's attention is called to the necessity of regulating them on some system In future returns the wages of masons, carpenters, and supervising coolies should be distinctly discriminated On the whole, however, wages have been kept pretty low in Cuddapah, and hence perhaps the reason why the number employed have not increased so rapidly as in Bellary and Kurnool At the average price of the district 2 annas, which is the maximum rate for an ordinary cooly, will purchase 1 66 lbs, and 1 anna and 9 pies 1 45 lbs

23 For *Nellore* rates of wages are not given The Collector says they will be reported next week

24 *Chingleput*—The rates of wages in three taluqs (Trivellore, Chingleput, and Ponnari) are reported They are 2 annas for a man, 1 anna and 6 pies for a woman, and 1 anna and 3 pies for children except in Chingleput, where the rate is 1 anna

These rates will, at the prices ruling in the taluqs, purchase the following quantities of rice—

	Chingleput	Trivellore,	Ponnari
	lbs	lbs	lbs
Men	2 16	1 94	1 94
Women	1 8	1 46	1 46
Children	8	1 21	1 21

The Chingleput price quotation on which the calculation is based, is a little doubtful, but the rates in the district are somewhat high

25 In *Salcm* the rates are two annas for a man, 1 1/2 annas for a woman, and 1 anna for a child At the average prices of the district these rates will purchase 1 74, 1 50, and 0 87 lbs of rice

26 In *Coimbatore* the rate for a man is throughout 2 annas, for a woman 1 anna and 6 pies in Pulladum and Udumalpetta and 1 anna and 4 pies in Caroor and Erode, and for children 1 anna everywhere At the average prices of the district these rates will purchase of rice—

	A P	lbs
	2 0	1 88
	1 6	1 42
	1 4	1 25
	1 0	94

These rates are high at present prices

27 The *Madura* wages are reported only for the Tirumangalum Taluq They are—for men 2 annas, 1 anna and 9 pies, and 1 anna and 6 pies for women 1 anna and 6 pies and 1 anna and 3 pies, and for children 1 anna, 9 pies, 6 pies, and 3 pies The coolies can buy of rice at these rates the following quantities—

	Men	Women	Children
	lbs	lbs	lbs
	1 73	1 29	91
	1 52	1 06	69
	1 29		16
			23

These wages are not too high

28 *Gratuitous Relief*—The number of persons in receipt of this form of relief is no less than 46,071 There has been a large increase in Cuddapah, Bellary, and Chingleput, but a satisfactory decrease in Madura owing probably to the recipients being drafted to the relief works The numbers in other districts are small The

	10th Dec.	31st Dec.
	RS	RS
Cuddapah	3 308	10 815
Bellary	12 816	23 800
Chingleput	654	2 492
Total	16 778	12 107

Collectors of Cuddapah and Bellary will be called upon to explain the great increase which has taken place in the districts. In Bellary 8,150 out of the whole number are in the Hindupur Taluq against 1,161 on the 16th December. In Cuddapah 15,016 of 15,815 fed are in the Volpad Taluq where in the previous week there were only 2,596. The increase in Chingleput is great part due to the establishment of the relief camps in the Sydapet Taluq of out-stations of Madras. The proportion of men, women, and children gratuitously relieved in the three districts is shown in the margin. There is evidently some thing wrong in Cuddapah. The necessity for gratuitous relief cannot be confined to

	Percentage		
	M	W m n	C
Chingleput	18.5	32.4	
Bellary	14.0	25.5	
Cuddapah	44.0	43.7	

a single taluq, and the high proportion of men and women shows that there is a want of discrimination in the admission of applicants. The cost of gratuitous relief during the week was Rupees 12,554, and up to the week Rupees 26,501. The value of this kind of relief is not satisfactory.

29 The total outlay in the Presidency since the commencement of distress to the 23rd December, excluding special establishments and purchase of grain, was, as far as it can be ascertained at present, as follows —

	1st Week December	Up to the end of Week
On relief works	Rs 4,91,570	Rs 2,34,064
On gratuitous relief	Rs 1,75,511	Rs 26,501
Total	Rs 5,01,124	Rs 2,60,565

30 A memorandum of the grants sanctioned for relief works, &c, by the Board and Government up to the 28th instant is enclosed. The total is Rupees 3,31,429.

(A true Extract)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES
Acting Secretary

No 2 — Report of Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the Week ending Saturday the 23rd December 1876

District	Grants of funds sanctioned for relief works to 22nd December 1876	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 Persons in receipt of gratuitous relief on the 1st Day of the Week			
			In the Week	To the end of the Week	On Relief Works	Gratuitous Relief		Men	Women	Children	Total
K. tna	Rs 35,000	Rs Not completely given	Not given	Not given	Rs Not reported	Rs 76	Rs 26				33
N. Ilore	1,53,000		16,358	82,947	Rs 4,89,947			16,759	15,503	5,006	37,268
Cuddapah	4,20,000		5,256	2,92,471	Rs 5,06,233	2,717	1,917	56,252	60,111		1,16,363
Bellary	14,16,000		2,10,106	9,90,075	Rs 10,25,283	9,780	9,148	130,967	160,671	22,508	344,146
Kurnool	3,21,000		* 1,56,000	7,30,000	Rs 7,30,000	1,103	738	Not given			23,800
Chingleput	1,05,000	Rs 62,275	7,145	17,807	Rs 17,807	1,100	618	6,228	3,778	899	239,662
North Arcot	26,450	Rs 68,728	11,758	32,290	Rs 32,290	39		11,341	11,553	5,474	10,905
Madura	40,179	Rs 86,795	1,872	6,571	Rs 6,571	642	63	1,458	2,585	989	28,369
Combarore	1,00,000	Rs 26,510	4,543	12,704	Rs 12,704			3,652	4,953	675	4,812
Salem	96,000	Rs 66,837	8,472	20,229	Rs 20,229	44	44	9,506	11,241	3,103	9,280
Total	27,16,429		4,91,570	21,85,097	Rs 22,34,064	26,501					23,850
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											46,071

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No 1—Average Number of Government Seers of 80 Tols of Grams per Rupee and Rai in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the Week ending Saturday the 23rd December 1876.

District	Rice			Chilam			Ry		Cm		Wh		Hrsg		Rial	
	Ad to Rctm	Last Week's Return	Prose and to last	At date of Return	Pr	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm	At to Rctm
Kann	831	824	824	824	824	824	824	824	824	824	824	824	824	824	824	824
Kel	689	680	680	680	680	680	680	680	680	680	680	680	680	680	680	680
Cdnap	61	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
D Mary	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716	716
K ruel	610	6	1421	32	60	304	910	1014	67	1006	1116	60	301	63	1151	715
Chingleput	61	89	1653	9	304	910	1014	67	1006	1116	60	301	63	1151	715	715
North Arcot	620	70	1120	80	880	140	810	930	40	80	60	110	100	100	1800	3640
Madras	655	653	143	801	15	953	104	139	99	100	640	1040	970	959	2181	310
Coimbatore	733	6	1340	903	833	2	1001	1001	303	1214	12	65	627	863	137	411
Salem	69	710	1393	778	823	8	807	8	80	805	860	10	10	903	2315	3050

Talukwar Statement of Report of Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the Week ending Saturday the 23rd December 1876

District	Tlq	G to fund	P b l C t	O Tr	W k	T t	O r l	G t t	C t t	Nu	C i m		N mb of
											W m	Ch l d e	
Ch el p t	Ad a lakum	3500	3500	43	43	3339	3339	19	19	150	41	26	186
B l r y	Co j m	6775	6775	830	830	6160	6160	490	490	1707	836	10	631
	CL g p t	5040	5040	668	668	1387	1387	83	83	3	849	621	334
	T n g l	1000	1000	1281	1281	1731	1731	3	3	1297	89	157	2433
	S y d p t	1700	1700	2220	2220	306	306	496	496	143	114	167	1412
	F m e y	15000	15000	2994	2994	7976	7976	9	9	898	527	18	27
	T t l	62275	62275	1	1	1807	1807	110	110	68	878	899	2492
	P k d a	5668	5668	189	189	6160	6160	5	5	1367	1581	6402	1891
	A l	3916	3916	3916	3916	65182	65182	1103	1103	6417	11906	4876	394
	A y	170	170	170	170	54402	54402	24	24	8339	872	11	28
	B l r y	49649	49649	1556	1556	3300	3300	19	19	2	2	2	1
C dnap	Ad a lakum	2500	2500	7034	7034	3403	3403	31	31	8421	12	12	8130
	Co j m	90426	90426	730	730	548	548	50	50	8421	12	12	277
	CL g p t	66465	66465	538	538	4084	4084	40	40	97	3019	122	101
	T n g l	6306	6306	7000	7000	21315	21315	20	20	5017	332	2816	101
	S y d p t	44779	44779	6576	6576	51169	51169	356	356	298	880	951	1407
	F m e y	71741	71741	615	615	1774	1774	345	345	235	877	196	1407
	T t l	12782	12782	11851	11851	3885	3885	880	880	4927	8004	2758	15
	P k d a	15688	15688	7956	7956	46019	46019	561	561	6775	1047	238	1784
	A l	210166	210166	210166	210166	99075	99075	2080	2080	10967	160671	52808	2380
	B l r y	573834	573834	216	216	13408	13408	319	319	1984	298	914	229
C dnap	Ad a lakum	3035	3035	189	189	756	756	105	105	889	4181	159	308
	Co j m	15016	15016	15016	15016	28473	28473	186	186	11003	1051	218	15016
	CL g p t	2941	2941	2941	2941	7	7	2097	2097	5253	550	2941	308
	T n g l	15016	15016	15016	15016	28473	28473	186	186	11003	1051	218	15016
	S y d p t	189	189	189	189	756	756	105	105	889	4181	159	308
	F m e y	15016	15016	15016	15016	28473	28473	186	186	11003	1051	218	15016
	T t l	3035	3035	189	189	756	756	105	105	889	4181	159	308
	P k d a	15016	15016	15016	15016	28473	28473	186	186	11003	1051	218	15016
	A l	2941	2941	2941	2941	7	7	2097	2097	5253	550	2941	308
	B l r y	15016	15016	15016	15016	28473	28473	186	186	11003	1051	218	15016

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(Signed) ES
Secr tary

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE
Madras

Mr. J. S. ...
29th December 1876

12 *Proceedings of the Madras Government Revenue Department,
17th January 1877*

*Memorandum of Sums sanctioned by Government and by the Board of Revenue for Public Works
up to 28th December 1876 with Appendix up to 23rd December 1876*

Districts	Amount sanctioned	AMOUNT PAID UP TO 23rd DECEMBER 1876 AS REPORTED BY COLLECTORS	
		On Relief Works	Gratuitous Relief
1 Kistna	RS 30 000	Not paid	ES 70
2 Nellore	100 000	82 347	
3 Cuddapah	520 000	306 233	2717
4 Bellary	1816 000	1020 283	20750
5 Kurnool	321 000	750 000	1103
6 Chingleput	108 500	17 807	1100
7 North Arcot	26 400	30 290	39
8 Madura	40 100	6 771	612
9 Coimbatore	100 000	12 701	
10 Salem	96 000	20 229	44
11 Tanjore	10 000		
12 Trichinopoly	5 000		
Total	30 31 129	22 31 061	26 501

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29th December 1876

(Signed) H F STOKES
Acting Secretary

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(Signed)

J H GARSTIN,
Secretary to Government

To the Board of Revenue
the Financial Department
the Public Works Department

Lrd A F Goodall

Amount spent of
Amount \$23 Dec 96 as voted
by Committee
Disbursd Sanctions On Relief Gratefuous
wishes Relief

Total = 3231429 2234064 26501

H. H. Thomas
Ag. Secretary

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Average number of Government Sers of 80 Taluks of grain per Acre and Rain-fall in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the week ending Saturday the 23rd Decr. 1876

Districts	Rice 2 nd Sort			Cholera			Rage			Cumbos or Paddy			Wheat			Korrigram			Rain fall		
	At date of return	Last week return	Price on same date last year	At date of return	Last week return	Price on same date last year	At date of return	Last week return	Price on same date last year	At date of return	Last week return	Price on same date last year	At date of return	Last week return	Price on same date last year	At date of return	Last week return	Price on same date last year	During the week	From 1 st January to the end of the week	Average from 1 st January to the end of the year
Kistna	8 31	Novem	20 24	9 91	Villem	28 15	9 56	Novem	30 4	10 08	Novem	31 26	7 28	Novem	10 78	12 17	Novem	23 24	Not given		
Nellore	6 89	6 80	16 10	8 87	8 90	29 10	8 51	9 71	31 52	8 90	8 80	30 08	7 35	7 40	12 14	8 70	9 60	22 85	9 81 33 99		
Loudlapah	6 47	6 18	15 07	7 14	7 50	25 35	7 64	8 06	26 5	7 61	8 04	26 53	5 95	6 17	12 14	8 55	9 03	24 59	7 44 27 36		
Bellary	7 16	1 00	14 33	8 06	8 06	26 14	9 00	9 12	29 0	9 06	9 06	28 00	7 00	7 00	13 67	8 06	8 06	26 00	8 24 25 58		
Hurnool	6 10	6 27	14 91	7 39	7 60	28 14	9 24	8 71	25 9	7 86	7 60	28 01	6 32	6 73	14 57	7 15	8 35	22 99	Not given		
Chingleput	7 81	8 95	16 06	7 92	Nov	23 04	9 16	10 14	22 67	10 06	11 46	22 44	5 82	5 82	10 08	9 29	9 98	18 97	19 97 44 25		
N. Arcot	6 90	1 10	15 00	8 30	8 80	21 40	8 40	9 30	22 40	8 30	9 10	21 10	6 00	6 20	11 20	10 30	10 70	20 30	18 00 36 40		
Madura	6 58	6 93	15 42	8 91	12 35	35 23	9 68	10 45	34 3	9 92	10 20	33 90	6 16	6 40	10 40	9 70	9 88	24 81	0 12	17 73	31 02
Coimbatore	7 33	7 56	13 40	9 02	8 83	22 72	10 61	10 14	28 6	12 14	12 77	28 97	6 27	6 52	11 30	8 61	8 63	23 05	17 37 24 11		
Salem	6 78	7 10	13 98	7 78	8 22	22 85	8 07	8 55	22 8	8 05	8 60	21 93	5 10	5 31	13 10	9 02	9 03	23 15	16 15 30 50		

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Madras
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H. Wilson
Acting Secretary

Report of Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the week ending Saturday
the 23rd December 1876

District	Grants of funds - sanctioned for relief works up to 22 nd December 1876	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	Remarks
			In the week	To the end of the week			Men	Women	Children	Total		
Chittoor	35000	Not con. fully given	Not given	Not reported	76	26	"	"	"	"	38	
Nellore	153000		16358	82747	82947		16759	15503	5006	37268	450	
Endlapur	420000		75256	292474	306210	2717	1917	56262	60102	18441	134805	15815
Bellary	1416000		210166	990075	1025280	20780	9148	130967	160671	52808	344446	23800
Hurnool B	321000		A 156000	730000	730000	1103	738	Not given		239662	1710	
Chunglaput	108500		7145	17807	17811	1100	618	6228	3778	899	10905	2492
N. Arcot	26450		11758	32290	32290	39		11341	11553	5474	28369	"
Madura	40479		1872	6571	6571	642	63	1438	2385	989	4812	1350
Sombatore	100000		4543	12704	12714	-		3652	4953	675	9280	"
Talarn	96000		8472	20229	20229	44	44	9506	11241	3103	23850	416
Total	2716429		491570	2185097	2234064					1833377	46071	

A - See para of Boas last week's report
B - The figures reported for Nellore are not included in the total number for the week
C - Reported from previous columns

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Madras
29th December 1876

H. H. H.
Acting Secretary

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District Talung

Grants of funds sanctioned for relief works up to 22nd December 1876

Probable cost of works or sum sanctioned for their execution

Outlay on work in progress

In the week To the end of the week

Shururantakam	5500	43	40
Bongeveram	6775	830	3636
Shinglepud	5000	668	1387
Tremethore	15000	1281	1731
Lyndapal	17000	2229	3034
Panner	15000	2094	7976
Total	108500	62275	7145

Pennakonda	5668	33359
Alur	18596	61690
Alur	39162	65162
Goaly	17270	54402
Lonkum	49648	370325
Thimmaru	15560	43448
Bellary	2520	7024
Perpet	9026	7366
Pandur	66465	5358
Kalyag	65176	730
Anantapur	44679	6576
Chimmaru	71744	6155
Indrapati	21774	498
Madhavar	12782	11851
Kundli	175688	7956

1416 573 834 210166 990075

43	19	19	150	42	26	217	186
636	490	98	1767	836	10	2613	531
1387	83		537	349	521	1407	334
1731	3	1	1397	879	157	2433	2
3034	496	496	1479	1146	167	2792	1412
7976	9	4	898	527	18	1443	27
17807	1100	618	6228	3778	899	10905	2492
50359+			855	13627	15841	6402	35870
61640+			5	11330	11996	4876	28202
65162+			1103	2617	28772	11222	66411
54402+			224	8339	12307	3716	24362
73306	19	19	25576	25442	3794	54812	9
6057	271	111	2733	5175	2760	10868	156
34703	10261	3887	8421	1024	4582	2327	8130
55364	2616	594	5246	8870	1924	16010	2977
35448			2967	3019	1522	7508	
54084	1781	470	3682	6195	1401	11878	1201
21315	236	20	5017	5442	2616	10575	61
51189	2556	500	2785	3840	951	7776	1407
21774	593	245	2925	3727	1956	8608	
57895	886	655	4927	8004	2758	15687	2175
46019	561	410	6775	10247	2028	19350	1784
1025233	2078	9148	130967	160671	52808	344446	23800

any up to the work is not reported in last week's return the amount spent up to last week was given at 25000 and this is now added to the sum reported as spent within the week not given by collector assumed from the previous column

Palumda	13408	x 14439	"	"	1984	2978	914	5876	"
Madrasally	62137	62137	319	40	7759	7587	2358	17704	229
Bondumil	4478	x 4495	"	"	1037	930	185	2152	"
Sedhona	7758	7758	"	"	1462	1525	319	3406	"
Tot Pand	57507	57507	2097	1716	11002	10571	2182	23755	15016
Cuddalore	15014	2775	130	105	5283	5505	2941	13729	368
Prodetor	10200	x 10260	"	"	3899	4131	1538	9568	"
Pullampett	36325	x 9466	"	"	2064	2507	349	4920	"
Radim	5215	x 57289	147	42	9384	12005	4518	25907	139
Jammalamas	16867	16649	24	14	5867	3951	776	8599	63
Cuddalore	3951	36030	"	"	8521	8307	2361	19189	"
	6143								
Total	421000	306253	2717	1917	56262	60102	13441	134805	15815
	36325								
	75256								
	292474								

Chittur	6954	1370	6498	6498	4	4	1162	734	523	2419	1
Chundraghany	1509	185	875	875	39	4	191	119	91	401	4
Palmanan	10715	882	5894	5894	4	4	946	704	319	1969	4
North Arcot	3000	449	941	941	4	4	270	270	4	540	4
Gudrattam	29200	2375	9118	9118	4	4	1607	3001	1051	5659	4
Vellor	8450	2185	2862	2862	1	4	6375	6281	3145	15801	4
Arcoth	8500	4310	6100	6100	4	4	770	445	345	1580	4
Wallajah	400	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	1
Pungamursum	68728	11758	32290	32290	39	4	1141	11554	5474	28369	4
Total 26450											

* Miscellaneous expenditure for the purchase of gram and cost of carriage for obtaining tools are stated & included in these items

Salem	Salem	17600	2022	3546	3546	6	6	3131	3321	663	7120	30
	Kamarb	10220	678	749	749	20	20	2645	1743	519	4901	216
	Tuchengode	10300	1133	1348	1348	12	12	893	1724	751	3368	120
	Ettingar	2430	215	365	365	5	5	176	227	33	436	49
	Darampura	11830	1905	5611	5611	1	1	1016	1272	283	2571	1
	Possur	6957	1177	4420	4420	"	"	862	1433	409	2704	"
	Ko Kungu	7500	1342	4190	4190	"	"	778	1521	445	2744	"
Total 96,000		66837	8472	20229	20229	44	44	9506	11241	3103	23850	416

Madura	Madura	44443	130	307	307	"	"	51	100	31	182	"
	Immangalam	4992	505	544	544	2	2	93	75	28	196	"
	Pulney	32776	524	4497	4497	429	Not given	655	1308	547	2510	955
	Arslar	3164	394	611	611	"	"	266	324	279	879	"
	Indignb	1420	319	612	612	211	61	373	568	104	1045	395
Total 40479		86795	1872	6571	6571	642	63	1438	2385	989	4812	1350
Nellore	Gudur	4100	2092	5929				2124	2645	718	5567	
	Rapur	4000	731	5295				1380	585	226	2191	
	Nellore	"	182	2827				123	375	50	548	
	Atmakur	"	1800	17725				1832	1671	323	3826	
	Kavali	"	1693	8266				1739	1722	692	4153	
	Edayagum	27000	5218	18441				3066	2703	973	6742	
	Kandukur	"	1040	11769				5271	4483	1464	11218	
	Kangum	"	1744	4708				193	159	"	352	
	Orugole											
	Addankur	1000	314	1073				260	304	86	650	
	Darsi do	2000	684	1024				122	75	53	250	
	Nandipett do	15,000	860	5890				649	781	341	1771	
Total 152,000		53100	16358	82947				16759	15823	5006	37268	450

Not given

Not given

Not given

Particulars not given

Comptroller	Corode	4300	1585	5660	5660	"	"	1102	1110	25	2237	"	
	Pulladum	8010	1660	3886	3886	"	"	1101	1932	465	3498	"	
	Caroor	1800	62	62	62	"	"	97	177	27	301	"	
	Adumalpetta	12400	1236	3096	3096	"	"	1352	1734	158	3244	"	
Total		100000	26570	4543	12704	12704	"	"	3652	4953	675	9280	"

Revenue Bd. Office
Madras
29th December 1876

W. H. Cotton
Ag. Secretary

Districts of the Madras Presidency for the

Total outlay since
the commence-
ment of distress

Number of coolies em-
ployed on the last day
of the week

On relief
works

Grati-
tious
relief

Book of gratifications
relief during the
week

Men Women Children Total

Number of persons in
receipt of gratifications
relief on the last day of
the week

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1843

Revenue Deposits

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 29th December 1876

The Board submit to Government the returns of prices and ransafac and the reports of relief for the distressed districts for the week ending Saturday the 23rd Instant. The detailed returns of work are submitted in original, and those of last week not having yet been returned from the Government office. To compare returns of details is possible. The returns of actual reports are telegraphic, and imperfect.

2 Prices — Returns from three taluqs in Giddapoh, three of a village and one of Chingleput are wanting. The prices given in the abstract are the averages of the remaining taluqs. Hence some slight discrepancies between average prices now entered for the 16th December and those given in the Board's last abstract. There were some slight errors in calculation of averages in the Bellary where the actual

prices of the four principal
grains are the lowest
Rice Prices have fallen very
slightly in Bellary, and Bellary
but have risen elsewhere. Espe-
cially in Chingleput and at about
Chola Prices have fallen
fractionally in Coimbatore and
Elsewhere they are either station-
ary or rising slightly. The ap-
parent rise in Coimbatore is due
to the quotation of last week
including some inferior de-
scriptions as explained in last
week's report.

Rays Prices may be said to
be stationary in Coimbatore,
but have risen elsewhere. The
rise is trifling, except in
Bellary (12.5 per cent) and Coimbatore
(5 per cent).

Gunpowder was stationary in
Bellary, and there was a slight
fall in Bellary and Kurnool.
Elsewhere prices have risen,
in Chingleput to the extent
of 9 per cent. Generally speak-
ing all prices show
continued tendency to rise.

3. Rainfall - There ²¹₁₀₄₅ was no rain during the
week in any district except Madras, where
partial rain fell. In the Bellary taluk
1.70, in Madras 1.25, in Srirangapatna
0.75, and in Pondicherry 0.65 inches were regis-
tered. None fell in the other taluks.
The rainfall has not affected prices
in the district.

4. Relief - The amount of grants sanctioned
by the Board and Government for relief
works up to the 22nd December was Rs. 27,16,429. The accounts rendered as to
appropriation for works sanctioned
for execution are still very imperfect,
and a comparison of the totals is lacking.
The Board will briefly review the
returns received from each district
as regards appropriation and outlay
on works.

Bellary

Bellary - Detailed returns of works are
furnished only for Ben taluqs In Bellary
and Dharmavaram specific
estimates or appropriations
Outlay to the end of the week
Bellary Taluq - 3,733 25
Dharmavaram 43,449

for works appear not to have been made,
which is a grave irregularity to be at
once put a stop to. The District returns
are evidently not accurately prepared.

Large outlay during the week appears
against several works on which ^{peonies} were
employed on the 23rd instant, and many
works are included on which no outlay
was incurred within the week. These works
may in both cases be completed, but the
Collector's attention is called to the instruc-
tion that the proper way to show outlay
on completed work is to include it in the
total outlay in the taluq since the
commencement of distress. There are three
works in the Bellary Taluq on which

The outlay in Bellary
from 1st to 16 Dec^r
not included. It has
not yet been re-
ported.

more than Rs 30000 have been spent on
estimates of works for which estimate has been
made only two in the Bellary taluk are to cost
Rs 30000 or upwards. The outlay on relief work
during the week amounted to Rs 210166 paid up
to the week on works entered in the return Rs
= Rs 999,075 and on all works Rs 1025283
from grants up to date Rs 141600.

K. moob The outlay in last week was stated
for 6 taluks only (Cannur and Markapur
excluded) as Rs 152891 paid up to the week
Rs 674157. The outlay in the week under
report is given as Rs 123693 for all
taluks except Kollanilla. The outlay in this taluk
may be assumed to be at least as great as in
the week ending 16 instant. The Board therefore
enter the outlay in the week as Rs 156000, and
up to the week Rs 730,000 (the latter does not
include outlay in Cannur and Markapur
for previous weeks). The Board doubt whether
the Collector is right in stating that Kollanilla also

is included in the present statement. Mr. D. B. is requested to endeavor to introduce some system and accuracy into these reports to which Government attach great importance. The grants to 22nd District aggregated Rupees 321,000 considerably less than the sum spent

Pondicherry The Collector has repeated last week's figures for Madhavapalle and Pulwundla taluks. The totals for the district up to the week are therefore exclusive of the week's outlay in those taluks. The Board

Madhavapalle Rs.	7449	resolved to add outlay for
Pulwundla	2176	these taluks at the same
		rate as last week which

will certainly be within the mark. So corrected, the outlay in the week will be Rupees 75,256 up to the week on works entered Rupees 2,92,414 and up to the week on all relief works Rupees 3,06,233. The grant to 22nd District was Rupees 4,20,000. Specific estimates

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for works have not been sanctioned for any taluk except Poddutur. There are no works in this taluk for which 30,000 Rupees or more have been sanctioned, nor is there any work in the district on which a like sum has been spent.

Nellore In this district detailed sanctions have not always been given, but there is no work entered as costing more than Rupees 30,000 or

in which that sum has been
spent the outlay in the week
was Rupees 16,358 and up to
the week Rupees 82,947

North Arcot. There detailed
sanctions aggregating Rupees 68,728
have been made against sums
placed at the Collector's disposal
Rupees 26,450. The outlay to-date
is Rupees 32,290. Further funds
will be granted in separate Pro-
ceedings. The outlay in the
week was Rupees 11,758. There
are no works of such magnitude
as

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as to require the sanction of
the Government of India.

In Chingleput also specific
appropriations have been made
and there are no large works.
The sanctioned works amount
to Rs 62,275 out of a grant
of Rs 1,00,000. Outlay during the
week Rs 7,145, and up to the
week Rs 17,807. Attention is
called to the remarks of the Range

* I find that the
willingness to work is
more nominal than
real. - As far as
I can see the same
people work at this
as they would at
any other time -

Officers as to the work
in Trivellore quoted
in the margin.

Salem. The appro-
priations amount to
Rupees

Rupees 66,837 out of a grant of Rupees 96,000 -

There are large numbers of minor works, especially in the sub-division, and no large works. The outlay in the week was Rupees 8,472, and the total outlay Rupees 20,229.

In Coimbatore also the works are small and the outlay in the week and up to it Rupees 4,543 and Rupees 12,704.

The appropriations are Rupees 26,570 out of Rupees 1,00,000 granted.

In Madura - Grant Rupees 40,479, works costing Rs. 86,795 have been sanctioned for execution, but many are not yet commenced. The outlay in the week was Rupees 1872 only, and up to the week Rupees 6571. There are no large works, but a considerable number of irrigation repairs.

X.		5	Numbers employed	The marginal table shows the total numbers employed according to the last and present returns. There has been increase in all districts except Coimbatore. The decrease in this district is unexplained.
Chittoor	16 Dec	23 Dec	Increase	
Bellary	31920	37268	+ 5348	
Cuddalore	266352	344446	+ 78094	
Tirunelveli	102340	134805	+ 32465	
Tirumool	203497	239662	+ 36165	
North Arcot	15822	28369	+ 12547	
Chingleput	8844	10905	+ 2061	
Salem	11492	23850	+ 12358	
Coimbatore	11278	9280	- 1998	
Madura	2708	4812	+ 2104	
	622233	796128	+ 173895	
	654253	833397	+ 179144	

The total increase is 27 1/2 per cent. The total numbers on relief works were on the 23rd instant almost exactly 834,000, the Krishna district, from which some have been received from the Distribution. The following statement shows the distribution as regards sex and age of the coolies employed in each district, so far as particulars are

are available -

	Percentage of		
	Men	Women	Children
Bellary	38 0	46 7	15 3
Loddapah	41 7	44 6	13 7
Nellore	45 0	41 6	13 4
North Arcot	39 9	40 7	19 4
Chingleput	57 1	34 7	8 2
Galem	39 9	47 1	13 0
Combatore	39 3	53 4	7 3
Madura	29 9	49 6	20 5

Chingleput and Nellore have still a very high proportion of adult males. The low proportion of men in Madura and the high proportion of children in that district and North Arcot demand explanation. The collector will report the cause.

Rates of wages. The present reports give more information as to the rates of wages than was available last week, when particulars were given only for North Arcot, Combatoore and Kurnool. For North Arcot and Kurnool the information is now wanting but the Board presume that there has been no change since last week. The Board will notice the rates in each district as compared with prices ruling. It is unnecessary to analyse the wages given to masons, coolies, & head coolies

to whom special wages, varying a good deal, but higher than the maximum fixed by Government, are given.

Bellary Grain wages appear to prevail only in the Bellary taluk, where they are as follows:

Man	1 (Kistay?)	2 21
Woman	3/4	1 65
Child	1/2	1 10

The rates are therefore in excess of those allowed by Government. The money wages ruling in the other taluks are reported. In Dharmavaram, Hindupur, Hospett, and Rardrag, the wages are men 2 annas, women 1 anna 6 pice, children 1 anna. In Hurspunchille and Hudgalle the rates for men are from 2 annas to 5 1/2 annas, for women 1 anna to 3 pice, and for children 6 pice to 1 anna. The rates above 2 annas paid to men are probably for head coolies and the like. The collector will report on the subject and be careful to see that the information for all taluks is given in next return. The following are the quantities of rice which the ordinary money wages will purchase at the average price of the district.

Do. 1/2 1/2	Man	2 6	1 84
Do. 1/2 1/2	Woman	1 6	1 38
Do. 1/2 1/2	Children	1 0	92

The money wages are thus high, but lower than those paid in grain in Bellary taluk.

Loddapah

Chudalapah Information is given for 6 taluks only. The rates vary greatly. In Padwal, Saumalamadaga and Chudalapah an ordinary cooly gets 2 annas a woman 1 anna 3 pice & a boy 6 or 9 pice. In Pulvandal men get from 1 anna to 4 annas, but the rates in excess of 2 annas seem to be for head coolies, women from 1 anna to 1 anna 6 pice, & boys from 3 pice to 1 anna. In Proddatur Ordinary Coolies get from 9 pice to 1 anna 3 pice (sex and age are not discriminated), and head coolies only 2 annas. Grain payments are made in this taluk, head coolies $\frac{3}{4}$ seer (1 55 lbs), 2nd coolies $\frac{5}{8}$ seer (1 29 lbs), & 3rd coolies $\frac{1}{2}$ seer (1 03 lbs). It is possible that these gradations may be for men, women, and children. In Pulbempett ordinary men coolies get 1 anna 9 pice & 2 annas, women 1 anna 3 pice, and boys 9 pice, and girls 6 pice. So great diversity in the rates as seems to prevail in this district is not advisable, and the collector's attention is called to the necessity of regulating them on some system. In future returns the wages of mastsrees, gangers and supervising coolies should be distinctly discriminated. On the whole however wages have been kept pretty low in Chudalapah.

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and hence perhaps the reason why the numbers employed have not increased so rapidly as in Bellary and Tumkur. At the average price of the district, 2 annas which is the maximum rate for an ordinary cooly will purchase 1 66 lbs, and 1 anna 9 pice, 1 45 lbs.

For Bellary rates of wages are not given. The collector says they will be reported next week.

Chingleput The rates of wages in 3 taluqs (Inwellare, Chingleput and Ponnore) are reported. They were annas for a man, 1 anna 6 pice for a woman and 1 anna 3 pice for children, except in Chingleput where the rate is 1 anna. These rates will at the prices ruling in the taluqs

	Chingleput	Inwellare	Ponnore
Men	2 16	1 94	1 94
Women	1 78	1 46	1 46
Children	1 18	1 21	1 21

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The Chingleput price quotation in which this calculation is based is a little doubtful, but the rates in the district are somewhat high.

In Salem the rates are two annas for a man, $1\frac{1}{2}$ annas for a woman and 1 anna for a child.

At the average prices of the district these rates will purchase 1.74, 1.30 & 0.87 lbs of rice.

In Coimbatore the rate for a man is throughout 2 annas, for a woman 1 anna 6 pies. in Palladam & Adimalpetta, and 1 anna 4 pies. in Caroor and Sode; and for children 1 anna everywhere. At the average prices of the district these rates will purchase, of rice,

2 annas	1.88
1 as 6 pies	1.42
1 as 4 pies	1.25
1 anna	.94

These rates are high at present prices.

The Madura wages are reported only for the Irumbayalam taluk. They are for men 2 annas 1 anna 9 pies and 1 anna 6 pies; for women 1 anna 6 pies and 1 anna 3 pies and for children 1 as 9 pies, 6 pies and 3 pies.

The Coolies can buy of rice at these rates the following quantities:—

Men	Women	Children
1.73	1.29	.91
1.52	1.06	.69
1.29		.43
		.23

These wages are not too high.

7. Gratuitous relief. The numbers of persons in

in receipt of this form of relief is no less than 46071. There has been a large increase.

	16 th Dec.	23 rd Dec.	
Cuddapah	3308	15815	in Cuddapah, Bellary
Bellary	12816	23800	
Chingleput	654	2492	& Chingleput, but a
	16778	43107	

satisfactory decrease in Madura, owing probably to the recipients being drafted to the relief works. The numbers in other districts are small. The Collectors of Cuddapah & Bellary will be called upon to explain the great increase which has taken place in those districts.

In Bellary 8130 out of the whole number are in the Kudupur taluk against 116 on the 16th December. In Cuddapah 15016 of 15815 fed are in the Vollpand taluk where in the previous week there were only 2596. The increase in Chingleput is in great

great part due to the establishment of the relief camps in the Sydapett taluk on the outskirts of Madras

		Percentage		
		men	women	Children
The proportion of men	Chingleput	185	324	491
women & children greater -	Bellary	140	255	605
heavily relieved in the	Cuddapah	440	437	123

three districts is shown in the margin there is evidently something wrong in Cuddapah

The necessity for gratuitous relief cannot be confined to a single taluk and the high proportion of men & women shows that there is a want of discrimination in the admission

of applicants. The cost of gratuitous relief during the week was Rs 12554, & up to the week Rs 25358. The increase in this kind of relief is not satisfactory

The total outlay in the Presidency since the commencement of distress to the

outlay in Madras, South Eastern Railway & purchase of grain, was as far as can be ascertained at present as follows -

	in the week ending 23 rd Dec.	up to the end of the week
On relief works	Rs 491570	2234064
on gratuitous relief	12554	26501
	5,04,124	22,60,565

A memorandum of the grants sanctioned for relief works by the Board and Government up to the 28th Instant is enclosed. The total is Rs 3231,429

(True Extract)

W. C. C. C.

As Secretary

To The Secretary to Government R & D

\$40.00
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 31 Dec 1891

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