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Average Bazar prices of Grain and Salt, per Madras garce, and Rain Report of all the Districts of the Madras Presidency for the month of August 1867, *Fasli* 1277.

Districts.		Prices of Grain and Sea Salt.												Rain-fall.				
		2nd Sort Rice.		2nd Sort Paddy.		Cholum.		Raggy.		Horse Gram.		Sea Salt.		Northern Section.	Southern do.	Eastern do.	Western do.	Average.
		Fasli 1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.	1276.	1277.					
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.
Northern Section.	Ganjam	651	264	268	104	403	129	381	194	449	173	281	284	6·70	9·40	6·30	8·20	7·60
	Vizagapatam	480	214	217	88	293	119	276	107	287	150	289	275	6·60	5·80	9·00	10·90	8·07
	Godavery	350	251	163	115	220	142	221	140	259	165	274	257	5·50	6·80	4·90	6·80	6·00
	Kistnah	407	388	181	180	211	229	266	201	300	225	292	261	9·70	3·70	5·90	6·64	6·47
	Nellore	409	372	191	175	284	234	243	190	346	278	259	257	5·[illegible]	2·90	4·41	1·22	3·51
Ceded Districts.	Cuddapah	573	475	271	217	425	276	405	251	508	260	368	340	2·80	5·80	4·10	3·80	4·12
	Bellary	862	484	364	209	735	276	672	264	793	307	522	461	2·10	0·40	1·40	1·40	1·32
	Kurnool	620	504	277	223	515	235	459	210	545	271	449	344	4·10	6·90	3·10	4·30	4·60
East Centre.	Madras	553	427	225	180	413	285	400	323	500	338	256	267	0·99	1·50	2·00	6·40	2·72
	North Arcot	566	411	259	180	413	267	382	282	461	288	249	267	2·90	6·70	5·40	2·10	4·30
	South Arcot	608	339	275	138	400	233	490	248	477	255	270	259	6·70	3·20	6·70	2·50	4·77
Cauvery.	Tanjore	528	411	245	193	371	265	317	223	452	280	234	258	2·80	1·20	2·80	0·10	1·72
	Trichinopoly	594	449	282	206	358	205	374	224	446	252	288	301	2·77	2·90	4·25	1·00	2·73
Southern Section.	Madura	627	492	305	247	356	247	383	262	417	277	299	287	2·18	3·95	"	0·06	1·54
	Tinnevelly	616	465	287	220	414	253	341	252	387	310	284	271	0·02	0·05	0·05	"	0·03
West Centre.	Coimbatore	766	497	378	239	609	281	567	261	618	245	357	343	1·30	2·00	2·00	0·20	1·40
	Salem	636	450	300	203	464	251	427	263	469	246	304	309	1·50	2·40	3·70	3·30	2·70
West.	South Canara	531	346	253	158	"	"	386	298	493	301	244	254	33·00	22·80	28·60	30·20	28·60
	Malabar	697	359	332	178	"	"	397	275	481	255	309	290	18·55	9·77	10·82	17·56	13·93

Remarks on the Season.

Northern Section. There was a copious fall of rain in the Districts of Ganjam and Vizagapatam, but in others, the fall was partial.

In Jeypore, all the standing crops were in an excellent condition.

In Vizagapatam, the transplantation of paddy was being busily carried on and all the dry crops cultivated in the previous months looked promising.

In the Godavery District, the Yellew, and the Godavery had been in fresh and the Anicut channels were well supplied. The wet cultivation under them was nearly completed and the crops were thriving. The dry crops such as Raggy, Cumboo, Varagu and Gingily were flourishing, except in the river islands, which had had been submerged by the freshes. Gingily crop was being cut, and the yield was excellent. Cotton cultivation had been commenced. The Sugarcane and Betel Gardens were doing well.

In the Kistnah District lands were being ploughed for Jowar and other dry crops. Wet cultivation was progressing particularly under the Anicut channels. Cotton and Indigo cultivation had been commenced, but the extent sown, was very limited.

So far as S.W. Division

In Nellore, the rainfall had been so partial that only a few tanks in parts of the District had

Rain N.E. Returns. The prospects of the year

received any supply. Jonna
Cotton and Varagu had been
cultivated in parts of the
District. Sunnamari and Pe-
shamun were sown in a few
localities. Agricultural ope-
rations had only lately been
commenced in Atmakur and
Angole Taligs. The standing
crops looked well.

Prices had been fall-
ing in all these Districts ex-
cept in Nellore, where they
had been stationary.

Fever still continued
in Jonjaun; Cholera and small
pox were more or less prevalent
in all the other Districts, ex-
cept in Nellore, where fever
and small pox had appeared in
some localities.

Cattle were not free
from disease.

Rain

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Seed Districts.

Rain fell in these Dis-
tricts, but it was very scanty
in Bellary.

In Cuddapah, the rain,
besides proving very beneficial
to most of the standing crops,
enabled the ryots to prepare
the ground for sowing. A small
quantity of Jonna and Baggy
had been harvested in a few
localities. Indigo was being sown
and Cotton sown in some places.

In Bellary, the scan-
ty rain, besides retarding
cultivation, had produced
an unfavorable effect upon
the early crops which
were being attacked by
insects.

In parts of Kurnool,
Horsegram and Ariga had

been so low.

Prices had remain-
-ed stationary in
these Districts.

The general
health of this sec-
-tion was tolerably
good. There were a
few cases of fever
and small pox in
Chingleput. Cholera
had entirely ceased
in Nellore, though fe-
-ver had been somewhat
prevalent.

Cattle were gene-
-rally healthy.

Partial

East Centre. Partial showers of rain fell throughout this circle, and the fall in South Arcot had been copious.

In Madras the wet and dry lands were being cultivated. Gingilly, Raggy, and Kar were being harvested.

In North Arcot, Kar, Sumba, and Raggy were being raised in wet lands wherever irrigation was available. Cholum, Verugu, Horse gram, and other grains were being sown in dry lands. The standing crops looked well generally, though in a few localities they were said to be drooping from want of water. Cholum, Cumbu, Sudgi, and Gingely had been reaped, and the average outturn was generally fair, except in the case of Gingely the yield of which was very scanty.

In South Arcot, wet cultivation had been commenced in parts of the District. Cumbu, Raggy, and other dry grains were being sown throughout. In some localities Cumbu and Gingely had been harvested

and

and Sedjis cut.

There had been no perceptable fluctuations in prices in this Circle.

In North and South arcot the people had suffered from fever and small pox, which had proved fatal in some cases in the latter District. In parts of Madras, small pox had also prevailed to a certain extent.

Cattle had suffered from disease in this Circle.

There was a tolerably general fall of rain throughout this section. (Cauvery

In the District of Tanjore, the rain fall had been of much advantage to the standing wet crops, and had saved them from serious injury. The ryots had also been encouraged to bring more wet land under cultivation. The staple dry crops had withered for want of rain.

In parts of the District of Trichinopoly Cumbu and Sugar Cane were under cultivation in wet and Cumbu, cholum Raggy and other grains in dry lands. In a few Talukes Valum paddy Cumbu and cholum were being harvested.

Southern section.

There were tolerable freshes in the Cauvery and Coleroon, the dependent irrigating channels were well supplied.

Prices had slightly risen in this section.

The general health in Trichinopoly had been good, but cholera and small pox were prevalent throughout the Tanjore District.

There was slight rain in parts of this section.

In Madura, the ploughing operations in all descriptions of land were being carried on in anticipation of rain. The Kodey crops of Cholum Veragu and Raggy had been partially harvested. Cotton and Sedjis had been cultivated to a limited extent.

In Tinnevelly, the young standing crops had been suffering from want of water, while the more advanced ones were being reaped. Rapeseed Cumbu and Cholum were being sown in dry lands. Garden products were being raised on lands irrigated by wells. Cotton was being

being picked in parts of the District. 10

Prices had not fluctuated in this section.

The Public health was generally good in these Districts.

There was a general fall of rain in this Circle, though it was scanty in Coimbatore. West centre.

In Coimbatore the cultivation of Samba paddy had commenced under the Canneny, Bowany, and Amravathy Channels, and the early crops under them were doing well. Almost all the dry crops had suffered much from want of rain, and Cotton was likewise affected from the same

Cause

Cause. Sugar cane, plantains and Raggy under wells were in tolerable Condition. 11

In most parts of Salem, Paddy in wet lands, and Cumbu, Ulundu Cholum, and other grains in dry, were being extensively cultivated. The standing wet and dry crops were generally in good order, except in a few localities, where the first crop paddy, and Cumbu had been drooping for want of sufficient rain. Cotton plants looked well, though Indigo crops were fading.

Prices remained stationary in Salem, but showed a tendency to fall in Coimbatore.

The general health was tolerably good, though there were some

Cases

Cases of Fever and Small pox in parts of these Districts.

There had been an abundant fall of rain in this Circle. West

In South Canara, the Crops had been unusually promising and in a few localities paddy was ready for harvest.

The fall of rain in Malabar had been very favorable to the 2nd Crop wet cultivation.

Prices had considerably fallen in this Circle.

The Sanitary condition of Malabar was tolerably good, tho' fever was raging in South Canara. Some relief had been given to the sufferers by affording them medical aid and the latest reports shewed that the fever had been abating.

Statement.

Statement of Cotton and Indigo cultivation, with their Market prices, for the month of August 1867 *Fasli* 1277.

Districts.	Cotton.				Market rate of cleaned Cotton per candy of 500 lbs.	Indigo.				Market rate per maund of 25 lbs.
	Fasli 1276.		Fasli 1277.			Fasli 1276.		Fasli 1277.		
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.
1 Ganjam	497	9250	3378	7464	140	50	50	1	6	50
2 Vizagapatam... ...	14821	35741	9447	19539	150	1646	10676	669	5687	35
3 Godavery...	27	109	362	1160	126	3	3	41	141	45
4 Kistnah	3343	2779	332	419	103	1641	2965	581	1754	49
5 Nellore	2762	3361	127	134	122	8397	17578	4855	10652	42
6 Cuddapah...	3998	2278	5427	2825	106200	6295	28107	7982	49547	50660
7 Bellary	7928	4765	6378	6442	115	115	138	412	745	58
8 Kurnool...	7495	6720	18832	17393	109	621	2757	2663	8989	57
9 Madras	5	11	6	8	140	2019	6814	2490	5720	45
10 North Arcot	730	1803	662	1574	163	4184	9315	8272	17148	49
11 South Arcot	1789	3657	1255	2506	125	22253	55105	26806	50566	33
12 Tanjore	119	146	421	450	153	226	1077	670	2298	12
13 Trichinopoly	3360	5411	1823	2538	133	6	6	20	25	34
14 Madura	3872	4520	66	69	93	20	28	558	624	36
15 Tinnevelly	2887	1328	2021	1243	120	23	48	29	79	31
16 Coimbatore	14662	11693	26101	22436	109	"	"	"	"	25
17 Salem...	6100	9199	3734	5226	182	225	427	372	1503	43
Total...	78868	102771	80372	91126	"	47724	135034	56399	155190	"

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