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No. 238. Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of the Kistna District, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Masulipatam, 8th June 1867, No. 19 :—

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 29th April, No. 962, I have the honour to forward, herewith, copy of a letter from the Acting Head Assistant Collector, dated 4th instant, No. 109, giving detailed information about the hail-storm that occurred in Nandigama talook in March last.

From the Acting Head Assistant Collector of the Kistna District, to the Acting Collector of the Kistna District, dated Kunkepad, 4th June 1867, No. 109.

1. With reference to Collector's endorsement on the Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 29th April 1867, No. 962, I have the honour to report some further particulars about the storm of hail which fell in the Nandigama talook on the 27th March.

2. This storm came across from the south side of the Kistna to Vedadry on the north bank, and took a course which may be described as a small arc of a large circle, the chord of which would stretch from Vedadry north-east to the village of Vachanaya, near the Nizam's boundary (beyond which place it has not been traced), passing through the villages of Posampilli, Gowravaram, and Penaganchiprolu, the whole distance being about fifteen miles. It broke over Vedadry at 5 o'clock P. M., and lasting about quarter of an hour at each of the villages through which it passed, reached Vachanaya in about two hours. The stones are described as being about the size of large pebbles, except in the village of Gowravaram, where they were said to have been as large as limes, and to have continued the whole night ; but I do not believe this last statement.

3. A good deal of damage was done to the hot-weather paddy crop, and the cotton and oil-seeds, amounting, by estimate of the villagers, which the Tahsildar says should be reduced by a quarter to Rupees 2,593 ; no one was hurt, except in the village of Gowravaram, where two men were severely bruised by the falling stones, but recovered in three days, and two cows died from the effect of the hail. The storm was everywhere accompanied by violent wind ; it appears to have burst suddenly at the close of a calm day.

No. 239. ORDER THEREON, 18th June 1867, No. 1,353.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Revenue Board and to the Government Astronomer.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Kistna District.
,, the Board of Revenue.
,, the Government Astronomer.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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From

The Collector of the

Kistna District.

To

The Secretary to Government

Fort Saint George.

Dated 8th June } 1867.

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