

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
14th December 1867.*

No. 272. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th December 1867.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Madras, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 10th December 1867, No. 406 :—

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd November, No. 7,620, I have the honor to report upon the state of the season during the past week. Rain has fallen in two talooks only to any extent, viz., in Madurantakam and Conjeveram. In the former the Tahsildar states the smaller tanks received either a full supply of water, or a supply sufficient to last from two to three months.

2. The large tank at Madurantakam itself and the one at Uttramallur, the two largest in the talook, have received a very good supply compared with that to tanks elsewhere in the district, in the former the supply being said to be sufficient for six months, and in the latter to three months. In the Conjeveram talook slight rain fell on the 1st instant, but not enough to bring water into the tanks.

3. In the other talooks either no rain fell, or in such small quantities as hardly to moisten the ground.

4. Crops are reported to be perishing everywhere, but in the abovesaid talook of Madurantakam; there they are said to be in a promising condition, and the Varagu crop there, which was supposed to be dying for want of rain, has revived, and a fair average out-turn is now to be expected.

5. No material fluctuation seems to have taken place in the price of grain.

6. Ponneri is the only talook where any sickness is said to prevail. I hear fever is at Ennore and other villages along the sea-coast, and small-pox at Chinnambedu and other villages west of Ponneri. Cattle are also said to be suffering from a disease called "Dombay."

7. No scarcity of pasture is at present felt, but without doubt it will be so ere long unless rain falls before the end of the year.

1. Submitted for the information of Government.

2. Though the report given of the state of some portions of the district is satisfactory, the Board request that Mr. Fane will at once take measures to obtain complete details of the state of the crops, the stocks of grain, and the condition of the people in each talook of his district, and that he will report the same, together with the ruling prices, for the Board's information, with as little delay as possible.

No. 273. ORDER THEREON, 14th December 1867, No. 2,983.

Miscellaneous.

The Government await the further information called for by the Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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