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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th December 1867.

Read the following :—

No. 322. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th December 1867.

Read letter from the Collector of North Arcot, dated 5th December 1867, No. 340.

Read also letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore, dated 6th December 1867, No. 1,651.

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3. It appears that all the Tahsildars of the North Arcot District report that the crops have perished beyond recovery over large tracts of land, that the wet crops have already suffered severely, and that the standing rice-crop is in great danger in most parts of the district. Scarcely a tank in the district has received a proper supply of water, and not one of the rivers has been in fresh. And in Palmanair and parts of the Gudiattum Talook, in the north-west of the district, the want of water, even for domestic purposes, is reported to be severely felt.

4. The Collector submits returns of the rain-fall, cultivation, and prices, giving a comparison with the similar statistics of last year at this date. As, however, the fall of rain during the latter months of 1866 was unusually copious, and as the prices were seriously affected by the severe scarcity with which the district had been visited in June, July, August, and September of that year, this comparison is not of much value. On reference to the statistics of their Office, the Board find that the average rain-fall of the district from July 1st up to the end of October is 13·19 inches, (ascertained from the actuals of five years,) whereas in the present year only 11·94 inches had fallen up to the same date, or a little less than half the average annual district rain-fall which is 28·43 inches, ascertained from the details of five years. The average cultivation, arrived at in the same manner, is 313,251 acres of dry land, and 131,081 acres of wet land up to the end of October, against 281,063 acres of dry land, and 98,253 acres of wet land in the present year; but, as observed by Mr. Robinson, these are merely the returns of the lands *which have been sown*, and by no means represent the prospective local grain supply of the district. The *average* prices of second sort rice and raggy in the month of October (as ascertained from the Price Lists of that month for five years) are found to be Rupees 301 and Rupees 187 per garce, respectively, whereas the average selling price throughout the district during last October was Rupees 302 per garce for second sort rice, and Rupees 212 per garce for raggy.

5. It will thus be perceived that though the rain-fall of the year has been considerably below the average, and though cultivation has fallen off to rather an alarming extent, the prices of the staple food-grains have not yet risen to the rates that might have been expected under such circumstances. The highest price reached appears to have been $7\frac{1}{2}$ measures per Rupee (Rupees 427 per garce), at

which rate rice was selling at Palmanair on the 25th ultimo. Raggy was selling at the same place at 11¼ measures per Rupee (Rupees 284 per garce) on the same day. These grains are now selling at 9 and 13½ measures per Rupee, respectively, at Madras.

6. These prices, as already remarked, are not so high as might have been anticipated, but unless there should be an early and propitious change in the prospects of the season, prices must rise much higher, and even if rain does fall, the losses of the agriculturists must still be very heavy.

7. Appearances are now very threatening, and timely preparations should be made to meet any crisis which may occur. Fortunately the district is supplied with railway communication, and probably there are sufficient supplies of food-grain in other districts, which will doubtless reach North Arcot in due course should necessity arise. The Government have already authorized the Collector to commence any works which he may find necessary for the relief of the poor in any particular locality; but the Board would beg to suggest that immediate attention should be directed to the rapid completion of those lines of road by which grain will reach those parts of the district which are not in the immediate vicinity of the railway.

8. They would strongly recommend that a special grant of funds should be at once sanctioned for this purpose. There is a very important line of road from Triputty station easterly to Naidupett, now under construction, on an estimate of Rupees 34,000, of which Rupees 17,000 have been expended, which might with great advantage at once be completed from such a grant as that indicated. The same may be said of the roads from Coopum and Palmanair, on Bangalore branch north-easterly to Vencatagherrycottah and Palmanair, Arnee to Poloor and Chetput, Wandiwash to Arcot and many others, which are the avenues by which grain will enter the district. These lines open the district to supplies from Madras, South Arcot, Nellore, Mysore, and the Western Districts. Some expenditure might also be very advantageously made in sinking wells along these lines of road, as well as in any other localities where the want of drinking water is felt.

9. The Board would name 50,000 Rupees as a suitable sum at present, and if this be sanctioned at once, the Collector and Superintending Engineer can proceed immediately with the works.

10. The Board have gone carefully over the Road Fund Budgets of the year, and find it impossible to divert funds for these roads without stopping others quite as important.

11. The Board would also suggest that all the subordinate officers of the Revenue Department in the tracts of country, likely to be affected by scarcity, should be freely supplied with medicines for distribution to the people, as scarcity is always more or less accompanied by disease. They should also be warned to give timely notice if the services of Dressers should be needed.

12. If these precautionary preparations are made, the Board believe that all will be done which the occasion at present demands, and if unfortunately matters should become worse instead of improving, as there is yet reason to hope they may do, the experience which was gained last year will cause no difficulty to be felt in establishing Relief houses and initiating Famine Relief works, should they be found

13. As regards the Madras District, the Board have requested the Collector and Superintending Engineer to meet them and discuss its needs, and they will address Government separately at an early date on this subject. Meanwhile, they think it would be well to attach two more Assistants to the district, so as to be prepared for the worst.

No. 323. From the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 16th December 1867.

1. With reference to the concluding paragraph of the Board's Proceedings, under date 14th December 1867, I am directed to report, for the information of Government, that the Board have this day conferred with Mr. Fane and Colonel Boileau regarding the Madras District.

2. They have ascertained from the Collector that although he has not as yet received any specially unsatisfactory accounts of the condition of the people of the district, the prices are high in all quarters, and they are said generally to have a slightly upward tendency. Mr. Fane has but recently resumed charge of the district, and is not therefore in a position to give more complete information as to its present position and prospects; but the aspect of affairs in some localities has been so unsatisfactory as to induce him to call for fuller details of prices, cultivation, &c., than are at present before him; and when these are received, they will be submitted to Government.

Rain-fall in the Madras District.

Fuslies.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	Total.
	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.
1271 ...	0·91	3·63	5·97	0·50	7·78	18·79
1272 ...	2·00	4·65	2·86	5·65	5·52	20·68
1273 ...	3·39	4·02	2·91	12·38	2·89	25·50
1274 ...	1·55	5·83	3·41	5·62	10·85	27·26
1275 ...	2·89	...	1·67	2·11	7·46	14·13
Total...	10·65	18·13	16·82	26·26	34·50	106·36
Average...	2·13	3·63	3·36	5·25	6·90	21·27
Fusly 1277	2·08	2·72	2·34	...	2·77	9·91

	Acres.
* Average cultivation up to the month of November	2,84,028
Cultivation up to November in present year.	2,89,643

3. The District Monthly Returns have been received in the Board's Office up to the end of November, and the marginal statement exhibits the alarming intelligence that the rain-fall during the present revenue year (Fusly) has been less than half the average rain-fall up to the same period of the year. A reference to the Cultivation Return shews, however, that this deficient water supply has not as yet had any serious effect in diminishing the extent of land sown with cereals,* but, as observed by the Board in regard to the North Arcot District, the extent of land under crop in a bad season is a very poor criterion of the probable out-turn of the harvest, as a large proportion of the seed put down does not germinate, and a still larger proportion of the crop does not come to maturity in consequence of the want of seasonable rain.

4. There is every reason to fear, too, that the grain stocks of the district must be much exhausted, for the severe drought of the early part of 1866, and the drain

which they must have sustained owing to the famine prices which ruled during the latter half of that year, would have had no other effect upon them.

5. Under these circumstances, the Board are of opinion that it is only prudent that precautionary measures of the same nature as those recommended by the Board for North Arcot, should be taken in the Madras District also.

No. 1. Chunambett to Trunk Road.
,, 2. Ponnery to Pulicat.
,, 3. Ootakottah to Trunk Road.
,, 4. Vulloor to Trunk Road.
,, 5. Wallajabad to Trunk Road.
,, 6. Konnatur to Streepermadur.
,, 7. Utramalloor to Chingleput.
,, 8. Trivellore to Nagalapoorum.
,, 9. Extension of the Cheyur and Chotpakam road towards the North Arcot frontier.

6. The marginal list of roads exhibits the lines by which, in the opinion of the local officers, food will be drawn into and distributed through the district, and the Board strongly recommend that a special grant of Rupees 50,000 be made for their completion.

7. The Board have gone through the Road Fund Budgets of the present and coming years with Mr. Fane and Colonel Boileau, and they concur with these gentlemen in considering that the requisite funds cannot be made available for any of these lines without hindrance to other equally useful roads.

8. Colonel Boileau informs the Board that he has estimates prepared for agricultural repairs to the amount of Rupees 1,36,000, a large number of which cannot be executed for want of funds. These, if unhappily the season should not improve, will afford suitable means of providing employment for the able-bodied poor.

9. It will be necessary in this district, as well as in North Arcot, to give the Collector and Superintending Engineer a liberal discretion in the matter of employing extra agency for the prosecution of these special works.

10. In conclusion, I am to state that the Collector expresses himself to be most anxious to have the services of the additional Assistants recommended by the Board in their Proceedings, dated 14th December 1867.

No. 324. ORDER THEREON, 17th December 1867, No. 3,005

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government approve the Board's suggestion that attention be more immediately directed to the further improvement of the lines of road by which grain will reach those parts of the North Arcot District which are remote from the Railway, thereby conferring a permanent advantage on the district, even should the present threatening scarcity not prove eventually so serious as now seems probable, and they resolve accordingly to place the sum of Rupees 50,000 at the Collector's disposal for employment in the manner proposed, in communication with the Superintending Engineer, enforcing at the same time the importance of using a portion of this sum for sinking wells along the roads in those localities where scarcity of drinking water is experienced.

2. The Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, will be instructed to meet the Collector's requisitions for medicines required for distribution in the talooks.

3. The Government also approve the Board's similar recommendation on behalf of the Madras District, and sanction accordingly a special grant of the same

amount (Rupees 50,000) for employment there, in the manner indicated by the Board.

4. As Mr. Gribble Turner's services are not immediately required in the Police Department, to which he stands posted, he will be temporarily attached to the Madras District for special duty, and Mr. Glenny, now Assistant to the Collector of Malabar, will be similarly attached to Madras for the present.

5. These gentlemen will join at once at the public cost.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department.
,, the Department Public Works.
,, the Inspector General of Madras Police.
,, the Collector of North Arcot.
,, the do. of Malabar.
,, the do. of Madras.
,, H. G. Turner, Esq.
,, W. H. Glenny, Esq.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Revenue Department

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(A true Extract)

Maxwell
Secretary

To, The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.
with copies of letters from the Collectors of North Arcot & Nellore.

W. Atkinson may be given back

Dft. Ld

Rd Rameswaram Date

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Th. Archbold
Circuit Office

Dear -

I have received a

My dear Hardiston

Please insert "up to the
same date" into "between the
same dates" that will make
it clear I think -

I am glad for Isaac
sanctioned the money as
Phillips remarks it will
do much good at any

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1272	2:11	4:31	4:22	4:44	15:18
1273	1:50	3:40	3:30	4:50	11:00
1274	3:02	6:50	1:20	5:50	16:22
1275	2:40	4:30	1:30	0:30	8:30
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gemiddelde	2:35	4:78	2:97	3:09	13:19
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Jaarlijkse 1277	2:52	4:30	2:10	3:02	11:94

North Arcot

No. 340. Collectors Circuit Office

Perumari Chittoor Taluq

5th December 1867.

From.

J. D. Robinson Esquire

Collector of North Arcot.

To. R. A. Dalyell Esquire

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Madras.

Sir, With reference to the Proceedings of the Board dated 29th Ultimo, Communicating Order of Government dated 28th Idem No 2826, I have the honor to submit three Statements, the first Showing the fall of rain up to October and during that month and November in comparison with the corresponding period of last year; the 2d giving the cultivation of Wet & Dry land up to the end of October & during November in Juseta position with the same Statistics for the previous season; and the third showing the prices of all the principal grains during the first three weeks of November and the Market rates as they stood on the 25th of that month, the date up to which my Statements is closed.

2. If the Board will refer to State-ment No 1 and the Columns of remarks, they

they will find that the rain fall up to date
falls far short of that of the previous year
and that during the months of October and
November which should be the busiest time
in the year there was little rain to speak of.

3 Statement No 2 shows an increase
in the extent of dry crop cultivation in all talugs
and a decrease in Wet throughout the District.
But this statement does not represent the
real state of matters as it includes all
Shanbat Bunger without distinction as to whether
the field has been wholly or only partially
cultivated, such distinction as the Board
know well, only appearing after the Adangal
account has been made up. There can be
no doubt that the rains in the end of
August and earlier part of September gave
dry land cultivation a tremendous stimulus
but it yet remains to be seen what pro-
portion of the land then taken up for
cultivation and returned in the accounts,
was actually ploughed and sown under
the discouraging influences of the two next
ensuing months October and November.
As it is, results will, I fear, fall deplorably
short of what present accounts represent
as cultivation and all the Tahsildars
in the District report that over large
tracts of dry land the crops have perished
beyond recovery, that there has already
been heavy loss in the wet crops and
that the standing paddy is still in great
danger in most parts of the District
unless a good shower soon come to its
early relief.

4 The light flying showers which have
fallen during the last week of November
have done much good to the horse gram
Bhatt and oil seed crops, but the Cumbu
and Varagu crops have suffered greatly
and that portion of these as does mature,
will

will give a very poor yeild. Thus far
good of dry crops prospects, for the wet
cultivation remains as it was and scarcely
a tank in the District has received any
supply since showery weather recommenced.
None of the rivers or ravines have flooded
even in the most partial degree and
even in the most partial degree and
the springs in river beds are so low that
even the tanks fed by anikat and river
channels are not being replenished. I have
received Petitions from the ryots of Palamanair
and of the Western parts of the Gudiatham
Talug complaining that there is a scarcity
of water even for drinking purposes. There
were also reports from some quarters that
pasture were failing but the showers we
have been having must ere this have re-
-newed the supply.

5 In Statement No 3 are shown the prices
at which the various kinds of Grain
were selling weekly in each Talug during
last month as well as the price on the
day on which the Return was closed. From
this the Board will find that prices in
the talugs of Arcot, Wandewash and Polur
are stationary whilst the rise in the
more northern markets is as yet very
gradual and slight. The Talugs, it will be
seen, where prices are lowest and most
stationary are precisely those in which
the rainfall has been heaviest but if the
monsoon pass away from us in the light
broken showers which have been falling
for the last 10 days, we must anticipate
a very sudden and rapid rise in the
price of the wet cereals. Meanwhile the
case is not hopeless, as at the time I write,
the aspect of the sky in the monsoon
quarter is very watery and a good

burst

burst even yet would greatly retrieve the prospects of the season —

6 The Board will gather from the foregoing remarks how it is that the season reports heretofore give little indication of impending disaster. Under the special arrangements now made, I shall be able to keep the Board closely informed of the state of the District as it unfolds itself —

7 Fever is beginning to show itself in different parts of the District, but generally speaking the health of the people and of the farm stock is, I am happy to say, satisfactory. I note the instructions conveyed in para 4 of the Government Order and will be prepared to submit a scheme for setting in motion works suited for relief purposes in the event of the necessity arising for affording such aid. I do not think that with reference to the price current herewith sent, the despatch of Weekly Telegrams has yet become necessary.

I have &c &c

North Arcot
Collr's Cir: Office
Paramari Chittoor Taluq
5th December 1876

(Signed) J. D. Robinson
Collector

To

R. S. Dalyell Esqre
Secretary to the Bd of Revue
Madras.

(True Copy)

R. S. Dalyell
Secretary

Enclosure in Proceedings of
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the Secretary to Government
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Copy of a letter from
the Collector of North Arcot
to the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
dated 5th Decr. 1867 No
340.

Submitting his obser.
-vations on the State of
the Season.

Copy to Dec 11/67

No I.

Statement shewing the fall of rain

Name of Taloks.	Rain fall upto Octobter in Fusli 1276.			Rain fall upto Octobter in Fusli 1277.			Rain fall in Octobter in Fusli 1276			Rain fall in Octobter in Fusli 1277.			Rain fall in November in Fusli 1276.			Rain fall in November in Fusli 1277.			Remarks.
	Measures	Inches	Tenths	Measures	Inches	Tenths	Measures	Inches	Tenths	Measures	Inches	Tenths	Measures	Inches	Tenths	Measures	Inches	Tenths	
1	2			3			4			5			6			7			8.
Chendragherry	32	4	"	23	"	"	12	7	"	6	4	"	3	7	"	"	"	"	First burst in August and September only reached in full force the 2 Southern Taloks of Wandewash and Poloor. In all others the rain fall was far short of that for the corresponding period of the previous year. In Octobter as Columns 4 and 5 shew, the deficiency in the present year is very great. In November, Vide Columns 6 and 7, the fall this year is almost not.
Palamanair	37	"	7	18	3	5	19	3	2	4	4	"	1	2	7	1	"	8	
Gudiattum	34	4	"	14	7	7	22	"	"	4	6	5	4	4	0	"	"	"	
Wandewash	37	5	9	39	6	"	19	"	"	8	1	"	7	"	"	2	1	"	
Arcot	51	4	5	29	6	"	25	1	5	3	3	"	1	8	"	"	3	"	
Poloor	48	5	7	36	7	4	26	6	1	12	1	"	8	"	"	"	8	6	
Vellore	59	"	2	27	"	"	29	6	"	10	2	"	5	1	"	1	4	"	

North Arcot.
Collector's Circuit Office
Parnonary 5th Decr 1867.

Signed J. D. Robinson
Collector.

(A true Copy)

Walyell
Secretary.

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Enclosure in Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue
to the Secretary to Govt. R.D.
dated 14th December 1867 -
No.

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No. I.

Statement showing the
fall of rain -

No. II.

Statement shewing the Cultivation upto October Fusly 1276 and to November 1277.

Names of Talooks.	Description	Cultivation upto October Fusly 1276.		Cultivation upto October Fusly 1277		Cultivation in November Fusly 1276.		Cultivation from 1st to 25th Nov. Fusly 1277.		Comparison between the cultivation upto October of last Fusly and that upto the corresponding head of this fusly.				Comparison between the Cultivation of November of last Fusly and that of the same month of this.			
										Increase.		Decrease.		Increase		Decrease	
		Acres.	Rupees.	Acres	Rupees.	Acres.	Rupees.	Acres.	Rupees.	Acres	Rupees	Acres	Rupees	Acres.	Rupees.	Acres.	Rupees
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Chendragherry	Punjah	8572	13475	9753	15125	441	647	676	875	1187	1650	"	"	235	228	"	"
	Nunjah	5000	36290	4201	32117	360	1894	213	1238	"	"	799	4173	"	"	147	656
	Total	13572	49765	13954	47242	801	2541	889	2113	1187	1650	799	4173	235	228	147	656
Palamanair	Punjah	20296	25767	23097	28610	1575	1712	606	544	2801	2843	"	"	"	"	973	1168
	Nunjah	3524	17709	3816	18543	364	1654	93	432	292	834	"	"	"	"	275	1222
	Total	23820	43476	26913	47153	1943	3366	699	976	3093	3677	"	"	"	"	1244	2390
Gudiatthum	Punjah	46184	70588	46668	71066	5317	8222	7625	10937	484	478	"	"	2308	2715	"	"
	Nunjah	12331	75058	11374	73866	1707	10099	1206	7101	"	"	957	1192	"	"	501	2998
	Total	58515	145646	58042	144932	7024	18321	8831	18038	484	478	957	1192	2308	2715	501	2998
Wandewash	Punjah	39759	61314	50179	73964	2821	3555	2834	5344	10420	12650	"	"	13	1789	"	"
	Nunjah	23547	143971	26486	151994	5237	32875	2159	28462	2939	8023	"	"	"	"	3078	4413
	Total	63306	205285	76665	225958	8058	36430	4993	33806	13359	20673	"	"	13	1789	3078	4413
Arcot	Punjah	29463	46530	34564	54793	4549	8137	4378	6835	5701	8263	"	"	"	"	171	1302
	Nunjah	19856	125348	18595	120986	5624	36993	5238	30473	"	"	1261	4362	"	"	386	5520
	Total	49319	171878	53159	175779	10173	44130	9616	37308	5701	8263	1261	4362	"	"	557	6822
Poloor	Punjah	32729	40366	34444	42345	1959	2587	1721	2588	1715	1979	"	"	"	1	238	"
	Nunjah	11918	63335	11777	62321	3847	20570	2918	15272	"	"	141	1014	"	"	929	5238
	Total	44647	103701	46221	104666	5806	23097	4639	17860	1715	1979	141	1014	"	1	1167	5238
Chittoor	Punjah	38620	50460	42071	54062	1503	1637	3569	1446	3457	3602	"	"	2066	"	"	191
	Nunjah	11815	79924	11928	80355	375	2346	638	2235	113	431	"	"	263	"	"	111
	Total	50435	130384	53999	134417	1878	3983	4207	3687	3564	4033	"	"	2329	"	"	302
Vellore	Punjah	42161	77076	40287	74301	2584	4057	1843	2798	"	"	1874	2775	"	"	741	1259
	Nunjah	11784	82052	10076	69634	945	5618	300	2029	"	"	1708	12418	"	"	645	3589
	Total	53945	159128	50363	143935	3529	9675	2143	4827	"	"	3582	15193	"	"	1386	4848

North Arcot Collrs. Circuit Office
Penamary 5th December 1867

(Signed) J. D. Robinson
Collector.

(True Copy)

Wakrell
Secretary

Enclosure in Proceed-
-ing of the Board of
Revenue to the Secretary
to Govt. R. D. dated 14th
December 1867 No.

R: 3395/67.

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No. II.

Statement shewing the
Cultivation upto October
Fusly 1276 and to November
1277.

R 14th Dec 1867
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Statement shewing the prices of all principal grains in the first 3 weeks of November and the market rates as they stood on the 25th of that month.-

Name of Talooks	Prices in the month of November 1866.-														Prices in the month of November 1867											
	Average in the 1st week				Average in the 2nd week				Average in the 3d week				Prices on the 25th				Average in the 1st week-				Average in the 2nd week.				Average in the 3d week				Prices on the 25th			
	Amount per Garce	per Rupee Measures	Annas	Chittangs	Amount per Garce	per Rupee Measures	Annas	Chittangs	Amount per Garce	per Rupee Measures	Annas	Chittangs	per Rupee Measures	Annas	Chittangs	Amount per Garce	per Rupee Measures	Annas	Chittangs	Amount per Garce	per Rupee Measures	Annas	Chittangs	Amount per Garce	per Rupee Measures	Annas	Chittangs	per Rupee Measures	Annas	Chittangs	Amount per Garce
Chittoor	268	11	15	4	293	10	15	-	285	11	3	6	10	15	-	154	Puddy 1st Sort. 20	12	3	165	19	11	.	181	17	10	13	16	14	.
Chendragherry	270	11	13	4	270	11	13	4	275	11	10	4	11	4	-	205	15	9	12	205	15	9	12	211	15	2	8	14	6	.
Palamnair	256	12	8	-	284	11	4	-	284	11	4	-	10	10	-	185	17	3	.	185	17	8	.	212	15	1	.	14	6	.
Gudiathum	284	11	4	-	341	9	6	-	320	10	-	-	10	-	-	183	17	8	.	183	17	8	.	183	17	8	.	16	4	.
Vellore	285	11	4	-	328	9	12	-	310	10	5	-	9	6	-	164	19	8	.	164	19	8	.	108	17	.	.	17	8	.
Poloor	341	9	6	-	249	12	14	-	267	12	-	-	11	-	-	141	22	11	.	141	22	11	.	157	21	1	.	21	1	.
Wandewash	244	13	8	-	244	13	8	-	250	12	8	-	12	8	-	157	21	4	.	157	21	4	.	157	21	4	.	21	4	.
Arcot	284	11	4	-	284	11	4	-	301	10	10	-	10	-	-	177	18	2	.	174	18	5	12	170	18	12	.	18	12	.

273	11	11	13	293	10	15	"	293	10	15	"	10	15	"	197
301	10	10	"	297	10	12	4	275	11	10	4	11	4	"	270
213	15	"	"	233	13	12	"	233	13	12	"	12	8	"	213
284	11	4	"	320	10	"	"	320	10	"	"	10	"	"	233
270	11	14	"	320	10	"	"	340	9	6	"	8	12	"	206
188	17	"	"	237	13	8	"	284	11	4	"	10	6	"	164
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
297	10	12	8	341	9	6	"	341	9	6	"	9	6	"	197.

Cumber.

16	4	"	233	13	12	"	213	15	"	"	15	"	"
11	14	4	270	11	14	4	270	11	14	4	11	14	"
15	"	"	184	17	3	"	213	15	"	"	12	8	"
13	12	"	233	13	12	"	233	13	12	"	13	12	"
15	8	"	213	15	"	"	256	12	8	"	12	8	"
19	7	"	~~1~~64	19	7	"	176	18	2	"	18	2	"
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
16	4	"	206	15	8	12	222	14	6	"	14	6	"

																Horsegram													
568	5	10	"	580	5	8	2	585	5	7	8	5	7	8	228	14	1	.	227	14	3	3	213	15	.	.	15	"	.
466	6	13	12	465	6	14	"	504	6	5	8	5	10	"	301	10	10	.	301	10	10	.	301	10	10	.	10	10	.
427	7	8	"	427	7	8	"	427	7	8	"	6	14	"	213	15	.	.	223	14	6	.	201	15	15	.	12	8	"
410	6	4	"	410	6	4	.	465	6	14	"	6	14	"	244	13	2	.	244	13	2	"	244	13	2	.	15	"	.
569	5	10	"	602	5	5	"	569	5	10	"	5	5	"	229	14	.	.	229	14	"	.	229	14	.	.	13	12	.
507	6	5	"	492	6	8	"	492	6	8	"	6	8	"	224	14	4	.	224	14	4	.	224	14	4	.	14	4	.
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	512	6	4	"	6	4	"	284	11	4	.	284	11	4	.	284	11	4	.	11	4	.
569	5	10	"	569	5	10	"	569	5	10	"	5	15	"	244 5	13	2	.	244	13	2	.	234	13	10	12	13	12	.

North Arcot,
Collector's Circuit Office,
Penamari 5th December 1867.

(Signed) J. D. Robinson.
Collector.

(True Copy)

J M Dalzell
Secretary

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Nellore
Collectors Office.
6th December 1867.

No. 1051.

From
J. A. C. Boswell Esq.
Ag. Collector of Nellore.

To
R. A. Dalyell Esq.
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings, dated 22nd. November 1867, No. 7029, requesting me to report on the prospect of the harvest in the District under my charge.

2. I do myself also the honor of acknowledging the receipt of their Subsequent Proceedings under date the 29th. idem. directing my special attention to the concluding para of the Government Order dated and numbered as in the margin, conveyed in the same.

28th. November 1867 No. 2826.

3. In reply to the former, I beg to state that the season has been uniformly good and promising throughout the District. The Pennar has flooded more than once over the crest of the anicut. Its freshes have supplied all the anicuts

Conclosure in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 14th December 1867. No.

Rp. 339/67.
Rep. Dept. dt. 4.12.67.

No. III.

Statement showing the Area of Principal grains in the first three weeks of November 1867.

P. 1/12 # 2222
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Anicuttanks with an abundance of water.
More or less there was rain all over the District.
The rain fed tanks too have been generally filled.
The ryots have cultivated the dry and wet crops.
The former, it appears, have been affected a little from
blight. Cattle murrain, Small pox, fever and ague
have been slightly prevalent in parts, and vigorous
measures are being adopted and proper medicines
circulated for relief. It is a singular fact that
the prices of the principal grains have been sta-
tionary, notwithstanding the fair prospects of the
weather. This is attributable mainly to the large
quantities of rice carried into the Central Districts of
Bellary and Cuddapah.

4. With reference to para 3 of the latter
Proceedings, I have the honor to State that at pre-
sent I consider weekly telegrams quite unneces-
sary as the present aspect of Season is favorable.
I shall draw out and submit as soon as practicable
in consultation with the Superintending Engineer
a list of works which at any time might be put
in hand to afford work and relief should such
a necessity arise.

I have &c
(Signed) J. A. B. Boswell
Ag Collector
(A true Copy)

W. Thomas
Secretary

Encl. 3005.

17th Dec. 67
19
and 16 Jan 67

Bd. Lr. of 14 Dec 67

Gov.

The Govr. approves the Bd's suggestion that attention be immediately directed to the further improvement of the Inlets from the Sea to Corio Bay & Lake Connewarre by the construction of Training Walls &c. &c. &c.

Nil

Draft Lr. sent to Bd. Inlaby.

by K

Encl. Proceedings of the Board of Works to the Secretary for Lands & Public Works Department dated 14th December 1867.

1867 Dept.

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Recd. 19th Dec. 1867.

Letter from the Collector of Customs dated 16th December 1867 No. 1851 regarding the state of Inlets.

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the present threatening
scarcity of water from
drought & serious
as now seems probable
and they resolve accordingly
to place the ~~proposed~~ sum
of Rs. 50000 at the Col.'s
disposal for employt.
in the manner proposed
in communication
with the Supt. of Engrs.
~~leaving it to his discretion~~) enforcing at the same time the ~~expediency~~ importance of using a portion of this sum for sinking
~~to use the ... [illegible]~~
~~may be necessary for~~
~~sinking~~ wells along
the roads in those
localities where
scarcity of drinking
water is experienced.

The Inspr. Genl. Indian
Medl. Dept. will be
instructed to meet
the Col.'s requisitions
for medicines
required for
distribution in
the talukas.

and sanction accordingly a special grant of the same amt. (Rs. 50000) for employt. there in the manner indicated by the Bd.

The Govt. ~~accept~~ also approve
the Bd.'s similar recommendn.
on behalf of the
Madras district.
~~Meanwhile~~ Asst.
Griffith Turner's services
are not immediately
required in the
Abkari Dept. to wh.
he stands posted.
he will be temporarily
attached to the
Madras district
for special duty
and

and
Lt. Gunnery Instr.
assist. Surgeon
of Barbadoes. Sch
to similarly attached
& Endorsed for the
present. J

Messengers to ship
at sea at the
public cost. J.R.

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1 — N.G. Turner Esqre
1 — W.H. Glenny Esqre

Reported to England
per 11th January 1 of 1868

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No 3005

Proc of the Madras Govt
dated 17th December 1867

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