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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 8th April 1867.

No. 132. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th March 1867, No. 2,010.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated on Circuit at Yelgode, 8th February 1867, No. 25 :—

1. In reply to Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 538, dated 25th January 1867, I have the honour to furnish the following report regarding the manner in which Mr. Turner, the Assistant Collector in this district, has been employed, only premising that I myself have not been much more than a month in the district.

2. Considering how well Mr. Turner is up in his work, I would consider that he had not only been very well employed, but that he has taken advantage of the opportunities afforded him. He has worked at the Village and the Talook Accounts, and was intrusted with the management of Munagalapad, a village on the west of Kurnool, in the management of which he took very great interest, and forwarded the report of his inquiries, the copy of which I have now the pleasure to enclose.

3. Mr. Turner has also been employed in hearing petitioners and abstracting their Arzis, and has a very good method in his way of disposing of them, and has translated several papers from the vernacular. He has also had an insight into the working of the treasury, and was actually in charge of that Office for more than a week.

4. Mr. Turner has, further, had the trying and disposal of several criminal cases, such as fall under the jurisdiction of a Sub-Magistrate of the second class.

5. The District Post Office has been very efficiently worked by him.

6. Two Offices now exist, which were not contemplated when the Government Orders regarding Assistants were first promulgated, and which take up by far the greatest portion of Mr. Turner's time, viz., that of the Superintendent of the Jail, and that of Vice-President of the Municipal Commission. As I have only one Assistant, and as he should generally be with me, especially during the Jummahbundy, I have asked the Inspector General of Jails to relieve Mr. Turner of the former charge. I cannot, however, spare his services from the Commission which is now in its infancy, and requires great care and constant attention to nurture.

7 I trust this report will satisfy the Board and Government that Mr. Turner's time during his residence in this district has been fully occupied, and I may promise that, as long as I stay in this district, that I will not allow the Assistants to remain idle, or be in want of work.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Report.

1. Submitted to Government, with reference to paragraph 7 of the Government Order, dated 15th January, No. 128.

2. The Board remark that the Collector is silent as to his Assistant's attendance at the Session Court during the trial of cases. The Board consider this of much importance.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 8th April 1867.

No. 133. ORDER THEREON, 8th April 1867, No. 817.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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Mungálpád

1. The total Amount of land attached to the village of Mungálpád amounts to acres 1852, cents 69. Of this acres 1,500 and cents 30 are black, acres 100 and cents 24 massub, and acres 252, cents 15 red soil. The ground is flat every where, mostly free from rubbish and weeds, but here and there where planted with yellow Cholum very stony - The land may be said to be divided into two distinct portions by the Canal. That on the South side Consists entirely of dry Cultivation, that on the North, being watered from the Canal, is planted with wet Crops. The greater portion of land, Amounting to upwards of acres 1000, is situate on the South bank. That on the North bank is merely a slip between the Canal and river Consisting of about acres 700

2. The village is situate on the North side, there being also a small hamlet on the South

south side. The total number of inhabitants are, men 130, women 70. Children 20. All the inhabitants are cultivating ryots, for the most part. Hindus, three houses only being the property of Mussulmen. The internal affairs of the village are arranged and conducted as usual in these settlements. Each department has its hereditary officer who is recompensed by a grant of land on favorable quit-rent, or, as in the Case of the Carpenter, potter, washerman &c, by a gift of land exempt from all rent. The live stock of the village consists of 70 bullocks, 14 buffaloes, 10 Calves, 3 horses. The stock of grain now in the village is Yellow cholum 3600 measures, Korra 3600, Paddi 14,400 -

3. There are two Chief divisions of the soil

Viz. Circar acres 704 — 39.

Inam . 1140 - 30.

Subdivision of Inam land -

(1) Davadatta 335 - 3.

(2) Battavarti 59 - 8.

(3) Kerreiyat 819. 25.

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(4) Reddy. 95 - 35.

(5) Kurmun. 164. 96.

(6) Taliary - 108. 25.

(7) Malavandlu 26. 8.

(8) Madigavandlu 33. 2.

(9) Tappati - 15. 1.

(10) Carpenters. Potters. Washermen Barbers &c. 92 - 2.

Circar land is sub-devided into 34 puttahs.

4. The products of the soil are —

White Cholum.

In Inam land 636. acres.

In Circar - - - 330. acres.

White cholum has only been planted about a month, it is about a foot in growth, very green, and looking well, planted in black soil -

Yellow Cholum

In Inam land 17 - 15.

In Circar - - - 74 - 0

The whole of the Yellow Cholum crops have been

been harvested in Stony grounds.

Cotton:

	Acres.
In Circar	28. 96.
In Inam	141. 8.

Cotton is not quite a foot in height in some cases in blossom, looking very well planted in black soil.

Bengalgram. Planted with white Cholum.

Greengram. Planted with yellow cholum.

Paddy

	Acres.
Circar	65-83.
Inam	61. 23.

Nearly all the Paddy crops are now harvested only about 30 remain.

Sugarcane 1-40.

Korra. Mixed with Cotton harvested.

Chillies. 4 acres.

Oil. 10 acres.

Trees

Mangoes.	450.
Guavas	600.
Apples	200.
Wood Apple	70.

} In Inam lands.

Tamarind	20.	In Inam lands.
Orange	50.	
Lemon	60.	
Cocoanut	20.	

5. One natural stream passes through the village lands at the time of the monsoon but its waters are not in any way utilized and it is now quite dry. The water for wet cultivation is entirely supplied from the Canal by means of two Sluices Nos. 10 & 11. From No. 10 no water can now be obtained as the Canal there about is perfectly dry. From Sluice No. 11 water and that not in sufficient quantity can only be obtained by means of buckets. The water rate fixed by the Company is Rupees 6 per Acre if applied for, and Rupees 12 if drawn without application. This year water for Acres 122.62 has been applied for. Acres 119.18 cultivated and Acres 7.88 cultivated without due application. The stoppage of the water from the Canal owing to the breaking of

In lieu of Acres

of the Anicut has caused injury to a certain Paddy crops, especially those at a distance from the Canal and watered from Sluice No. 10. I particularly marked the following.

In Circar land.

No. 14. Acres. 3.97.

No. 11. —"— 5.4.

In both these Cases the paddy had not come to maturity at the time of the stoppage of water, consequently their produce will not be so good, though not absolutely spoiled.

Inam land No. 6. About an acre of this No. seems utterly ruined, quite dried up. The crop was late.

6. As usual here all transit and means of Communication is very bad. There are two wretched roads or rather tracks. Every thing is Conveyed on mens shoulders or on buffaloes backs, or on buffaloe bandies.

7. The Gouvernment fixed yearly rent amounts to Rs. 683 for Circar land and Rs. 420-3-0 for Inam land. Of this Rs. 157-4-0 was collected on Circar and

Rs. 87-6-0 on Inam land in Fowlie. The total water tax amounts to Rs. 820-0-6.

8. Before the Construction of the Canal the cultivation was entirely restricted to dry grains. In 1864 the harvest was good. and the grain produced was sufficient for the village Consumption. In 1865 acres 50 were planted with paddy from the Canal. This crop was very good. But in the same year the dry crops, owing to want of rain, were thin and insect eaten. Consequently in 1866 there was not sufficient grain for Consumption and measures 5400 were imported from Kurnool. This year, no doubt much grain will be available for exportation. It is difficult to compute the ultimate advantages derivable from rice cultivation by means of the Canal Compared with the old dry cultivation. Setting aside the uncertain nature of the latter and its dependence on the seasons the following rough Computation was given me from

Experience

experience of last year. Putting cholum as the example of dry grains in general, one acre of the latter yields 90 measures ½ of which must be deducted for expenses. One acre of rice yeilds measures 900, ⅓ from which must be deducted for expenses.

9. There is much fever in all these villages situate near the Canal and in the midst of the irregation. I am informed that 50 adults are laid up with fever in the village only.

10. I cannot ascertain that any crime has been Committed in the village for the last 3 or 4 years.

11. The Reddy is ill and is not residing in the village. I inspected the Kurnum's Accounts, which, with a few exceptions in matters of detail, seemed quite correct. The accounts sent in last month to the Tahsildar, were

(1) No. 1. Cultivation Account

(2) No. 2. Abstract of Kist

(3) No. 3. Individual statement of Kist.

(4) Enclosure A in No. 4 i.e. Extent of cultivation with special crops.

(5) No. 10 Chittah, which I believe ought to have been kept in his own village.

(6) No. 11 Abstract of Chittah.

(7) No. 12 Jirsab.

(Signed) C. Turner.
Asst. Collector.

(True Copy)

J. Cundle
Asst. Collector.

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No. 885

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 29th March 1867.

No. 2,010.

Submitting to Government report of Acting Collector of Kurnool on manner in which Assistant Collector, Mr Turner, has been employed in district.

RECORDED.

No 885/67.

Enclosures in a letter No 25.

From Actg Collector of Kurnool

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue Fort St George

In Genl Con 594/67.

Report furnished by Asst Turner on the Village of Ramagalapad.

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