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No. 387. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th December 1866, No. 8,802.

Read the following letters, reporting upon the working of the District Presses during the year 1865-66:—

From	Collector of Ganjam,	dated	18th May	1866, No.	949.
Do.	,, of Vizagapatam,	,,	28th do.	,, ,,	52.
Do.	,, of Godavery,	,,	16th do.	,, ,,	98.
Do.	,, of Kistna,	,,	2nd August	,, ,,	271.
Do.	,, of Nellore,	,,	22nd May	,, ,,	145,
recorded in Board's Proceedings,		dated	8th August	,, ,,	5,481.
Do.	,, of Cuddapah,	dated	28th May	,, ,,	79.
Do.	,, of Bellary,	,,	5th June	,, ,,	109.
Do.	,, of Kurnool,	,,	13th September	,, ,,	189.
Do.	,, of Madras,	,,	14th June	,, ,,	180.
Do.	,, of North Arcot,	,,	2nd ,,	,, ,,	142.
Do.	,, of South Arcot,	,,	23rd July	,, ,,	149.
Do.	,, of Tanjore,	,,	17th May	,, ,,	115.
Do.	,, of Trichinopoly,	,,	2nd July	,, ,,	130.
Do.	,, of Madura,	,,	2nd June	,, ,,	182.
Do.	,, of Tinnevelly,	,,	15th May	,, ,,	192.
Do.	,, of Coimbatore,	,,	13th June	,, ,,	159.
Do.	,, of Salem,	,,	16th June	,, ,,	104.
Do.	,, of South Canara,	,,	22nd May	,, ,,	80.
Do.	,, of Malabar,	,,	9th June	,, ,,	176.

1. The Board proceed to submit to Government their Annual Report on the operations of the District Presses during the year 1865-66, with the usual General Statements Nos. 1 and 2. The Statement No. 1 exhibits the number of papers printed under the several heads in each district, with the estimated value of the work turned out during the year under review, of which the following is an abstract; the results of the preceding year being entered for comparison:—

Items.	1864-65.		1865-66.		Comparison of the value of work.	
	Number of papers.	Value of work.	Number of papers.	Value of work.	Increa e.	Decrease.
		RS.		RS.	RS.	RS.
Office work	6,969	42,590	8,322	44,959	2,367	.....
District Gazette	1,239	73,564	1,233	85,759	12,195	.....
Selection from Records... ...	26	246	2	80	.....	166
Judicial Department	1,944	7,205	2,302	6,627	.....	578
Other Public Offices	1,341	6,256	1,774	9,241	2,985	.....
Private work	697	2,583	860	1,940	.....	643
Total...	12,216	1,32,444	14,493	1,48,604	17,547	1,387
Deduct Decrease...	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,387	.....
Net Increase...	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,160	.....

2. It is satisfactory to observe that, compared with 1864-65, the value of the work turned out has increased by Rupees 16,160, and it is still more satisfactory to find that the work has been steadily increasing year after year, as shewn in the margin. The increase in 1865-66 is in great measure due to the Printing Establishment having been placed on an efficient footing from the commencement of that year.

	Rs.
1857-58...	28,186
1858-59...	42,298
1859-60..	53,262
1860-61...	64,166
1861-62...	81,284
1862-63...	92,034
1863-64...	1,10,704
1864-65...	1,32,444
1865-66...	1,48,604

3. The Board are glad to find that the District Gazettes obtained a wider circulation during the year under review, and that there was an increase in the number of subscribers in almost every district. This is probably attributable in a considerable degree to the concession made by Government, as proposed by the Board, for the distribution of the Gazettes to private subscribers through the Tahsildars instead of by post; but the continuous efforts of the local officers have, doubtless, tended to promote this desirable end. In Ganjam, Vizagapatam, and Nellore, the number of subscribers is very small compared with other districts. In Ganjam and Vizagapatam, it may be owing to the greater part of the districts being Zemindary, but there is no apparent reason why the number should be so small in Nellore. In Cuddapah and Bellary, the widest circulation occurs, but in the other districts it is gradually extending, and the Board trust that ere long, not a single Ryotwar village will be left without at least one copy of the District Gazette being supplied to it. The Gazette is a valuable means of disseminating useful information among the people generally; and to attain the desired extent of circulation is not difficult, if the efforts of the local officers are steadily directed to this end. The following abstract shews the average number of subscribers in the several districts during the past year, compared with 1864-65:—

Districts.	1864-65.			1865-66.			Number of Government villages in the district.
	On full subscription.	On reduced subscription.	Total.	On full subscription.	On reduced subscription.	Total.	
1. Ganjam	29	30	59	32	48	80	1,412
2. Vizagapatam...	29	18	47	38	25	63	157
3. Godavery ...	47	431	478	51	584	635	977
4. Kistna	20	225	245	22	409	431	1,310
5. Nellore	13	52	65	12	57	69	873
6. Cuddapah ...	12	1,050	1,062	15	1,058	1,073	1,083
7. Bellary	23	1,272	1,295	36	1,188	1,224	2,294
8. Kurnool... ...	19	314	333	27	329	356	698
9. Madras	14	227	241	20	371	391	1,708
10. North Arcot...	12	140	153	12	361	373	2,917
11. South Arcot ...	5	221	226	6	834	840	2,987
12. Tanjore... ...	14	199	213	24	478	502	4,800
13. Trichinopoly...	5	152	157	6	164	170	1,266
14. Madura... ...	33	182	215	40	235	275	783
15. Tinnevelly ...	16	46	62	32	341	373	1,009
16. Coimbatore ...	26	393	419	29	544	573	1,534
17. Salem	22	138	160	26	204	230	2,604
18. South Canara ..	54	560	614	55	674	729	1,278
19. Malabar... ...	37	562	599	52	595	647	433
Total...	430	6,213	6,643	535	8,499	9,034	30,213

The rate of full subscription is 3 Annas.
Do. reduced do.. is 2 Annas.

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4. It is to be regretted that no further progress was made in printing Selections from the Records in the past year in any district except Nellore and Madura, and the general reason assigned is, that the Press was fully occupied with the current work of the Office, and that the supply of type is insufficient. The reason cannot be regarded as satisfactory, and, as observed by Government in reviewing the Board's Press Report for 1864-65, the difficulty probably arises from apathy on the part of the Officers in charge of the Presses, rather than from the insufficiency of their establishments or plant. A few Collectors have submitted lists of papers selected for publication with reference to the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, dated 27th September 1865, and promise to make such progress as they can in the current year. Others appear very indifferent about the matter. Something, however, has been done, as shewn by the list appended to this report, and as much might at least be effected in every district, if the District Officers would take a little more interest in the matter. The Board will hope that the progress may be more satisfactory hereafter, than it has hitherto generally been. The Collector of Trichinopoly requested to be permitted to send to Madras certain papers selected to be printed; but the Board observe that the value of the work turned out in his district during 1865-66 was very small compared with some other districts. In Tanjore it was Rupees 11,526, while in Trichinopoly it was less than half this sum, amounting to no more than Rupees 5,676; and the Board have, therefore, reason to believe that, under proper management, the papers selected can be gradually printed in the Collector's own Press.

5. In Statement No. 2, the Demand, Collection, and Balance of each district, and in the Enclosure A. of Statement No. 1, the charges under different heads are given. The demand of the year on account of the several items amounted to Rupees 18,126-5-10, and together with this sum that was outstanding at the beginning of the year, amounted to Rupees 20,420-8-1. Of this sum, Rupees 17,311-2-5 was collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 3,109-5-3 at its close. The balance brought forward in the Kistna District will be found to differ from what was shewn in the Return for 1864-65. In explanation of this, the Collector states that the accounts of 1864-65 having been lost during the cyclone, the present return has been prepared from the accounts received from the talooks. The following abstract exhibits the Demand, Collection, and Balance of each item during the year for the whole Presidency:—

Items.	Outstanding balance at the end of 1864-65.	Deduct amount of irrecoverable balance, &c., written off.	Net amount.	Demand.	Total.	Collections.	Balance.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Work done for private individuals ...	729	13	716	1,941	2,657	1,846	811
Subscription to District Gazettes ...	1,537	...	1,537	15,004	16,541	14,356	2,185
Sundry items, such as sales of printed books, &c.	41	...	41	1,181	1,222	1,109	113
Total...	2,307	13	2,294	18,126	20,420	17,311	3,109

6. The sum of Rupees 13, deducted as irrecoverable from the outstanding balance on account of work done for private individuals, belongs to Malabar, being the value of work performed for the projected Tramway Company, which was afterwards abandoned. This sum was ordered to be written off the accounts, the Collector having stated that it was irrecoverable.

7. Of the demand of Rupees 2,657, inclusive of the previous year's balance of Rupees 716 for work done for private individuals, Rupees 1,846 was collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 811. More than half of this sum appertains to the Kistna District; but no explanation of the delay in the collection is offered. In Tinnevelly also there is a balance of Rupees 141; but a large portion of this, viz., Rupees 120, is due on account of a Tamil book partially printed. The Collector states that when the remainder of the work is completed, the total cost will be realized.

8. The demand on account of subscription to District Gazettes amounted to Rupees 15,004, or Rupees 4,771 in excess of the year 1864-65. Together with the previous year's balance, the demand amounted to Rupees 16,541, of which Rupees 14,356 was collected, leaving Rupees 2,185 to be realized in the current year. Of this balance, Rupees 653 belongs to South Arcot. In the six districts noted in the margin also, there were large balances outstanding. The Collectors of these districts generally promise to realize their balances within the current year. They ought not to have been allowed to accumulate to such an extent.

	RS.
Kistna	374
Cuddapah	290
Madras	235
Salem	194
South Canara	125
Kurnool	146

9. The Collectors of the five districts noted in the margin request sanction for writing off the sum set opposite to each in the accounts of the current year. These sums the Board find, from the explanation of the Collectors given in their reports, to be irrecoverable; and they accordingly authorize the Collectors to write them off the accounts.

	RS.	A.	P.
Cuddapah	1	2	9
Bellary	3	0	0
Tanjore	8	1	2
Salem	3	9	10
South Canara	0	10	0

10. From the Enclosure A. to Statement No. 1, which exhibits the charges incurred during the year on account of the Presses, it will be seen that the total expenditure amounted to Rs. 52,170-5-5, as particularized in the margin, of which, Rupees 7,905-5-6 was the amount spent, out of Rupees 15,000 provided in the Budget of 1865-66, on account of purchase of type. There is an increase of about 8,000 Rupees in the fixed establishment, owing to the augmented rates

		RS.	A.	P.
Fixed Establishment		42,852	14	0
Saderwarid		1,412	1	11
		44,264	15	11
Extra Establishment	411 12 0			
Repair of Press materials	448 15 6			
Purchase of Stock ...	7,044 10 0			
		7,905	5	6
Total...		52,170	5	5

of pay sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated 4th April 1865, No. 726. The other items of charge except "Repairs of Press materials," are much below those of the previous year.

11. The value of the work turned out by the Presses in the districts during the year amounted to Rupees 1,48,604, from which the actual charge of Rupees 52,170 being deducted, the net profit to Government by the employment of Presses may be taken as Rupees 96,434. Even according to the actual transactions of the Press, there is a profit of Rupees 25,274 in favour of Government, as shewn below, exclusive of the cost of plant, which amounted to Rupees 7,044 :—

Amount available to meet the cost.

	RS.	A.	P.			
Amount taken to credit as savings in the Revenue Establishment	44,264	15	11			
Actual cash collections	17,311	2	5			
Value of work done for Judicial Department, for which no cash was realized	6,627	0	0			
Do. of do. for other Public Offices do. do. ...	9,241	0	0			
				77,444	2	4
Deduct charges, as shewn in the margin of paragraph 10				52,170	5	5
Excess or profit to Government...				25,273	12	11

12. The Collector of the Godavery District, in paragraph 7 of his Report, requests authority for selling two unserviceable Wooden Presses, and some worn out and useless English type transferred from the Narasapoor Sub-Collector's Office. The Collector is, accordingly, authorized to dispose of them, and to credit the sale proceeds to "26 Miscellaneous."

13. The Collector of Bellary applies (paragraph 8) for sanction for the employment of a man on Rupees 10-8-0 per month, for cleaning forms, boiling glue for rollers, cutting paper for the Press, &c. The Press Department is provided with an Attender, who should be required to attend to this kind of miscellaneous work; and other Attenders also, in the English Department, may occasionally be employed upon it. The Board, therefore, see no necessity for the employment of a separate person for this work, while such aid is not required in any other district. The Board also observe that this application should not have been made in a Periodical report, which is intended simply as a review of the operations of the Press.

14. The Collector of Salem requests to be furnished with a demy-sized Machine Press, and some other Collectors complain that the type applied for, from the Superintendent of the Gazette Press, have not been duly received. These are not subjects which ought to be treated in Periodical reports. If any Collector

requires a press or type, he should submit indents or estimates in ordinary course with full explanation of the necessity, upon which the necessary orders will be passed by the Board.

15. The Collector of Kurnool states that his District Press at present works under great disadvantages, owing to the want of a proper Printing Office, there being no better accommodation than a verandah screened by bamboo mats. Similar inconvenience appears to be felt in the Madras District also. The Collectors should take steps, in communication with the Superintending Engineer, to provide proper accommodation for the Press Department.

16. The Collector of Malabar states, with reference to the sanction granted for the entertainment of a type-founder for casting type, that it being very difficult to secure a person in Malabar for the work, one was obtained from Travancore, but that he has not made much progress with the work, having turned out only 150 lbs. from January last, when he was first entertained. He does not, however, clearly say how much this work has cost, whether the continued employment of the type-founder is necessary, or whether to obtain the supply from Madras would not be more advantageous. He is requested to submit this information.

17. The Collectors of North Arcot and Coimbatore alone notice that the Registers connected with the Press transactions are properly kept. The late period at which some of the Press Reports were received from Collectors, shews that in some districts these Registers are still not properly maintained. The reports from the districts noted in the margin were received within the month of May. The report from the Collector of Kurnool is the latest, being dated 13th September 1866. If the Registers were properly kept up, there should be no difficulty in drawing up the report a few days after the close of the official year. The attention of the Treasury Deputy Collectors should be called to this matter, and the Collectors should make it a point to look into these Registers occasionally, at least towards the close of the official year, and notice the subject in their Press Reports. The Collectors of Vizagapatam and Nellore submit the reports of their Treasury Deputies addressed to themselves. There is no reason why these reports should not be addressed by the Collectors themselves to the Board, as is done in all other districts.

Ganjam.	Cuddapah.
Vizagapatam.	Tanjore.
Godavery.	Tinnevelly.
Nellore.	South Canara.

18. The publication of the District Gazette has been the chief work of the Printing Presses; but it is desirable that these Presses should be more utilized in the way of diminishing manual labour. In paragraph 25 of their Press Report for 1864-65, the Board pointed out that, by furnishing printed forms for the different

abstracts, and for the various accounts kept in the Talook Cutcherries, and transmitted thence to the Huzur Cutcherry, there will be not only a great diminution in manual labour, but that a greater regularity of system will be insured. They also noticed that the specimen copies of forms printed, called for by the Board, were not received from even a single district; and the particular attention of the Collectors was requested to the subject. Only the Collectors of the eight districts noted in the margin, have since sent in copies of the specimen forms, and the inaction in the other districts proves clearly how indifferent the Treasury Deputy Collectors are about any improvement of this kind. The Board's Circular, forwarding sets of specimen copies of forms of Returns, &c., was issued on 15th May 1865, and the Treasury Deputy Collectors of eleven districts have, apparently, done nothing in the matter for the last eighteen months. They seem indifferent whether the Talook accounts are received in proper form, and whether manual labour is saved or not, and their indifference is not creditable to them. The Collectors should have taken notice of their conduct. The Collector of Tinnevelly forwards with his Press Report specimen forms of a few Talook accounts printed at his Press, stating that the remainder will be printed hereafter. The Board observe that the specimen forms should not have been sent with the report, but separately. The Collector of South Canara observes in paragraph 4 of his Report, that the introduction of these forms has proved very satisfactory, and that the accounts and returns submitted from the talooks are now found not only more neat and correct than before, but that their transmission has been much accelerated. The advantage of good printed forms cannot be denied. The Treasury Deputy Collectors have vast opportunities of developing the Presses, and turning them to useful account, and it is greatly to be regretted that they do not perceive that their reputation for intelligence and zeal must suffer if they do not take real interest in these improvements, but allow the opportunity to be lost by their indolence and apathy.

Godavery.	Madura.
Kistna.	Tinnevelly.
Cuddapah.	Coimbatore.
Bellary.	South Canara.

List of the Selections from Records printed in the Districts of Ganjam, Vizagapatam Godavery, Kistna, Nellore, North Arcot, Madura, Salem, and Malabar, up to the end of 1865-66.

Districts.	The year in which printed.	Subject.
Ganjam ...	1860-61 ...	1. Report of the Circuit Committee, on the Revenue and Resources of the District, dated 25th April 1788.
	1860-61 ...	2. Report of Mr. Oram on Purlah Kimedy.
	1860-61 ...	3. Report of Mr. William Brown, on the Purgunnahs of Aska, Barwah, Poobacondah, Itchapore, Muntreddy, and Munsoorcottah, dated 4th September 1801.
	1859-60 ..	4. Report of Mr. William Brown, on the Revenue Settlement of the District for Fusly 1211, dated 15th March 1802.
	1859-60 ...	5. Reports of Mr. Peter Cherry, on the introduction of the Permanent Settlement, dated 30th November 1803, and 31st January 1804, together with the Board's Proceedings, dated 8th July and 17th May 1804, and the Order of Government thereon, under date 23rd June 1804, and with several Statements.
	1862-63 ...	6. Extract from the Report of the Special Commissioner, 3rd Division of Vizagapatam, on the Permanent Settlement of the Havalies of Chicacole and Tekkaly with the Kimedy Zemindary, dated 29th April 1803.
	1863-64 ...	7. Report of Mr. Peter Cherry, respecting the names of the Zemindaries and of the villages held in Jaghire, and their value in the district, dated 2nd April 1804.
	1864-65 ..	8. Reports of Mr. Edward Cotsford to Government, on the state of certain Zemindaries in the district, with a short history of the Pretapagiri Zemindary, dated 25th July 1771.
	1864-65 ...	9. Report of do. to Government, on the expected receipts from certain Zemindaries, dated 20th February 1772.
	1864-65 ...	10. Report of do. to Government, on the result of the expedition against the Pretapagiri Zemindar, dated 6th June 1772.
	1864-65 ..	11. The Revenue Reports with Statements for Fusly 1195, or A. D. 1785-86, from Mr. M. Williams to the Board of Revenue, dated 31st December 1787.
	1864-65 ...	12. Report of Mr. F. A. Robson, respecting the result of the introduction of the Permanent Settlement in the district. From Government to the Collector, dated 3rd September 1805. From Collector to the Board, dated 9th June 1806. From Governor General to the Collector, dated 27th April 1806. From Collector to Governor General, dated 12th June 1806.
	1864-65 ...	13. Report of Mr. Cherry, on the District and Village Police of the District, dated 14th June 1805.
Vizagapatam.	1861-62 ...	1. Report of Mr. Robert Alexander, on the permanent Jumma of the 1st Division of the District, dated 30th April 1802.
	1861-62 ..	2. Report of Mr. Webb, on the Permanent Settlement of the Zemindaries in the 2nd Division of the District, dated 10th June 1802.
	1861-62 ...	3. Report of Mr. Robert Alexander, on the Permanent Settlement of Land Revenue in the District, dated 20th April 1803.
	1861-62 ...	4. Board's reply to the Reports of Messrs. N. Webb and R. Alexander, on the resources of the Zemindaries composing the late 2nd Division of the district, dated 17th November 1803.
	1861-62 ...	5. Board's Report to Government, on the Permanent Settlement of the revenue of the late 2nd Division of the district, dated 22nd September 1803.
	1861-62 ...	6. Review by Government on the above, dated 22nd October 1803.

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List of the Selections from Records printed in the Districts, &c.—(Concluded.)

Districts.	The year in which printed.	Subject.
Vizagapatam. (*Concluded.*)	1861-62 ..	7. Mr. Walter Elliot's Report to Government, on the Inams in the Vizianagarum Zemindary, dated 17th January 1853.
	1862-63 ...	8. A collection and precis of papers about Jeypore, with an appendix containing two Reports of Lieutenant Virtue, R. E. A Diary by Major Owen, and Notes on the climate by Colonel Ilobv.
	1862-63 ...	9. Principles on which the Permanent Settlement with the Zemindars, &c., was proposed, dated 15th October 1799.
	1862-63 ...	10. Report of the Special Commission, dated 11th September 1802; Reply thereon of Government, dated 15th September 1802, and the letter of the Special Commission to the Collector, dated 20th September 1802, concerning Permanent Settlement of Land Revenue of the 1st Division of the District.
	1862-63 ...	11. Report of the Special Commission, concerning the 3rd Division of the District, which comprises Havalies of Chicacole and Tekkaly, with the Zemindary of Purlah Kimedy, dated 29th April 1803, and the Government Order thereon, dated 6th May 1803.
Godavery... ...	1861-62 ...	1. Report by Sir Henry Montgomery, Bart., on the causes of the decline of revenue in Rajahmundry, and the measures proposed for the improvement of the district, dated 18th March 1844, together with the Board's Proceedings, dated 14th July 1844, and the Order of Government thereon, under date the 14th April 1846.
Kistna... ...	1860-61 ...	1. Report on the survey and assessment of the Kytopully village by Mr. P. Grant, dated 11th April 1842.
	1859-60 ..	2. Correspondence regarding the storming and capture of the Masulipatam Fort.
Nellore... ...	1865-66 ...	1. Two Reports on the Western Poliems in the district by Mr. George Stratton, one dated 14th December 1800, and the other 14th July 1801.
	1865-66 ...	2. A Statement shewing the revenue for a series of years, with details as to occupation, assessment, average yield, and price.
North Arcot.	1864-65 ...	1. A concise history of the Jaghires and Poliems of the District by Mr. Cooke.
	1864-65 ...	2. A translation of the family of Jawady Venketpathy Nayer, the Poligar of Cangoondy.
Madura	1860-61 ..	1. Report on Vanpery and Tobacco Cultivation.
	1861-62 ...	2. Correspondence passed between the Collector and the Board of Revenue, relating to the taxation of scattered trees and topes in the District, from 30th January 1854 to 28th April 1859.
	1865-66 ...	3. Correspondence passed between the Collector and the Board of Revenue, relating to the reduction of assessment in certain villages in the District, from 7th November 1815 to 26th March 1858.
Salem.....	1865-65 ...	1. Colonel Reade's Report on the original settlement of the District in 1791 to 1796, epitomized and annotated by Mr. R. K. Puckle.
Malabar..... ...	1861-62 ...	1. Major Walker's Report on the land tenure of the District, dated 20th July 1801.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

No. 1.—*Statement shewing the operation of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency during the official year* 1865-66.

Districts.	Revenue Department.											
	Office work.		District Gazettes.						Selections from Records.			
				Number of Copies.								
					On payment.							
	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.	Total number of issues.	Free.	Full subscription	Reduced subscription.	Total.	Total.	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.	Total value in Rupees.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1. Ganjam	454	1,814	54	6,569	1,646	2,483	4,129	10,698	3,685	...	...	5,499
2. Vizagapatam	677	3,295	52	6,588	2,118	1,290	3,408	9,996	4,158	...	...	7,453
3. Godavery	390	2,403	90	13,114	4,550	52,220	56,770	69,884	4,710	...	...	7,113
4. Kistna	204	2,365	56	7,350	1,233	22,883	24,116	31,466	3,388	...	...	5,753
5. Nellore	717	4,726	114	14,055	1,389	6,301	7,690	21,745	5,060	1	10	9,796
6. Cuddapah	352	2,447	53	6,301	779	56,081	56,860	63,161	5,860	...	...	8,307
7. Bellary	277	1,855	52	6,721	1,885	61,782	63,667	70,388	5,797	...	...	7,652
8. Kurnool	262	1,506	52	5,257	1,387	17,108	18,495	23,752	3,306	..	...	4,812
9. Madras	608	3,157	51	5,906	1,021	18,954	19,975	25,881	2,500	...	...	5,657
10. North Arcot	860	2,252	54	7,506	646	19,418	20,064	27,570	3,595	...	...	5,847
11. South Arcot	508	1,451	51	7,038	306	42,513	42,819	49,857	2,261	...	...	3,712
12. Tanjore	310	2,678	77	8,501	1,227	24,341	25,568	34,069	7,375	...	...	10,053
13. Trichinopoly	278	1,213	126	12,726	790	20,627	21,417	34,143	3,795	...	...	5,008
14. Madura	760	4,665	52	6,635	2,031	12,152	14,183	20,818	4,189	1	70	8,924
15. Tinnevelly	264	1,102	93	11,570	2,801	25,791	28,592	40,162	3,964	...	...	5,066
16. Coimbatore	142	684	52	7,679	1,487	28,275	29,762	37,441	4,973	...	...	5,657
17. Salem	634	3,257	51	5,910	1,312	10,426	11,738	17,648	4,126	...	..	7,383
18. South Canara	354	2,522	52	6,440	2,837	35,078	37,915	44,355	7,056	...	...	9,578
19. Malabar	271	1,565	51	9,322	2,670	30,340	33,010	42,332	5,961	...	...	7,526
Total	8,322	44,957	1,233	1,55,188	32,115	4,88,063	5,20,178	6,75,366	85,759	2	80	1,30,796

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Districts.	Judicial Department.		Other Public Offices.		Total Government work.		Private work.		Total.	
	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers.	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.	Number of papers	Value in Rupees.
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
1. Ganjam	174	585	195	811	877	6,895	58	283	935	7,178
2. Vizagapatam	282	954	126	916	1,137	9,323	30	45	1,167	9,368
3. Godavery	180	387	36	223	696	7,723	50	128	746	7,851
4. Kistna	103	268	54	345	417	6,366	22	39	439	6,405
5. Nellore	93	309	108	952	1,033	11,057	33	52	1,066	11,109
6. Cuddapah	30	109	77	158	512	8,574	49	79	561	8,653
7. Bellary	28	97	111	515	468	8,264	29	99	497	8,363
8. Kurnool	76	242	36	176	426	5,230	153	171	579	5,401
9. Madras	8	49	41	213	708	5,919	1	25	709	5,944
10. North Arcot	182	286	163	227	1,259	6,360	2	2	1,261	6,362
11. South Arcot	123	248	100	702	782	4,662	45	40	827	4,702
12. Tanjore	256	820	83	568	726	11,441	30	85	756	11,526
13. Trichinopoly	...	...	91	631	495	5,639	12	37	507	5,676
14. Madura	98	338	191	485	1,102	9,747	53	279	1,155	10,026
15. Tinnevelly	128	291	44	148	529	5,505	34	186	563	5,691
16. Coimbatore	140	312	49	186	383	6,155	138	74	521	6,229
17. Salem	234	756	136	1,088	1,055	9,227	34	78	1,089	9,305
18. South Canara	15	104	27	307	448	9,989	28	94	476	10,083
19. Malabar	152	472	106	590	580	8,588	59	144	639	8,732
Total	2,302	6,627	1,774	9,241	13,633	1,46,664	860	1,940	14,493	1,48,604

ENCLOSURE A. to No. 1.

Statement shewing the charges of the several Collectorate Presses during the official year 1865-66.

Districts.	Fixed Establishment.	Saderwarid.	Contingencies.				Grand Total.
			Extra Establishment.	Repair of Press materials.	Purchase of Stock.	Total.	
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Ganjam	2,492 0 0	56 2 10	.....	1 4 0	3 0 0	4 4 0	2,552 6 10
2. Vizagapatam	2,250 2 10	95 7 7	.....	128 1 4	252 14 0	380 15 4	2,726 9 9
3. Godavery	2,247 3 10	61 11 0	.....	19 10 7	743 1 0	762 11 7	3,071 10 5
4. Kistna	2,254 1 0	25 12 10	59 4 3	0 14 0	575 6 9	635 9 0	2,915 6 10
5. Nellore	2,222 3 5	46 14 0	43 5 9	25 9 5	202 14 0	271 13 2	2,540 14 7
6. Cuddapah	2,246 3 2	60 11 4	.....	2 2 0	147 10 3	149 12 3	2,456 10 9
7. Bellary	2,238 14 6	95 12 5	150 0 7	130 13 10	1,340 7 7	1,621 6 0	3,956 0 11
8. Kurnool	2,254 12 0	73 4 0	.....	3 12 6	662 8 8	666 5 2	2,994 5 2
9. Madras	2,251 6 7	40 10 9	17 6 5	62 5 4	.....	79 11 9	2,371 13 1
10. North Arcot	2,219 9 8	95 5 10	.....	.....	16 3 5	16 3 5	2,331 2 11
11. South Arcot	2,248 0 0	142 15 10	16 11 10	.....	1,493 10 6	1,510 6 4	3,901 6 2
12. Tanjore	2,239 2 9	22 5 6	.....	.....	163 2 9	163 2 9	2,424 11 0
13. Trichinopoly	2,219 9 11	39 11 4	.....	.....	701 0 8	701 0 8	2,960 5 11
14. Madura	2,250 8 0	68 11 6	.....	.....	168 12 5	168 12 5	2,487 15 11
15. Tinnevelly	2,242 10 5	97 4 10	.....	.....	46 0 0	46 0 0	2,385 15 3
16. Coimbatore	2,222 0 3	100 14 0	.....	7 6 0	14 4 0	21 10 0	2,344 8 3
17. Salem	2,252 0 0	74 13 10	71 10 0	5 6 6	.....	77 0 6	2,403 14 4
18. South Canara	2,251 0 0	126 13 2	.....	40 0 0	513 10 0	553 10 0	2,931 7 2
19. Malabar	2,251 5 8	86 11 4	53 5 2	21 10 0	.....	74 15 2	2,413 0 2
Total...	42,852 14 0	1,412 1 11	411 12 0	448 15 6	7,044 10 0	7,905 5 6	5 2,170 5 5

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

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No. 2.—Statement shewing the receipts of the several Collectorate Presses in the Madras Presidency during the official year 1865-66.

Districts.	Demand, Collection, and Balance.									
	Outstanding balance at the close of 1864-65.			Demand.				Total of Columns 4 and 8.	Collections during 1865-66.	Outstanding Balance.
	Actual Balance.	Deduct amount of irrecoverable balances, &c., written off.	Remainder.	On account of private work.	Subscription to the District Gazettes.	Sundry receipts.	Total demand.			
I	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Ganjam ...	14 8 0	.....	14 8 0	282 14 7	206 9 0	193 6 11	682 14 6	697 6 6	693 13 6	3 9 0
2. Vizagapatam ...	28 4 0	.....	28 4 0	45 5 9	129 2 0	6 13 6	181 5 3	209 9 3	188 3 3	21 6 0
3. Godavery ...	38 11 8	.....	38 11 8	128 7 6	612 10 0	79 1 0	820 2 6	858 14 2	809 7 2	49 7 0
4. Kistna ...	645 12 7	.....	645 12 7	38 12 0	658 4 0	180 6 3	877 6 3	1,523 2 10	686 11 4	836 7 6
5. Nellore ...	8 1 0	.....	8 1 0	52 3 2	113 13 0	13 15 4	179 15 6	188 0 6	183 10 6	4 6 0
6. Cuddapah ...	7 9 0	.....	7 9 0	79 0 6	953 1 0	24 15 11	1,056 15 5	1,064 8 5	771 0 8	293 7 9
7. Bellary ...	23 7 8	.....	23 7 8	99 12 9	2,099 11 0	72 6 0	2,271 13 9	2,295 5 5	2,256 3 2	39 2 3
8. Kurnool ...	261 4 6	.....	261 4 6	171 4 11	553 3 0	6 7 9	730 15 8	992 4 2	810 2 5	182 1 9
9. Madras ...	171 4 10	.....	171 4 10	24 11 3	602 2 0	0 15 0	627 12 3	799 1 1	554 3 9	244 13 4
10. North Arcot ...	.....	.....	.....	1 12 6	443 6 0	.....	445 2 6	445 2 6	445 2 6	.....
11. South Arcot ...	218 8 0	.....	218 8 0	39 12 0	1,263 14 0	.....	1,303 10 0	1,522 2 0	773 15 9	748 2 3
12. Tanjore ...	7 10 3	.....	7 10 3	84 12 9	980 7 8	32 3 0	1,097 7 5	1,105 1 8	1,089 11 8	15 6 0
13. Trichinopoly ...	113 10 6	.....	113 10 6	36 9 2	278 13 0	19 0 0	334 6 2	448 0 8	346 6 5	101 10 3
14. Madura ...	.....	.....	.....	279 2 0	458 0 0	70 10 5	807 12 5	807 12 5	807 12 5	.....
15. Tinnevelly ...	37 9 6	.....	37 9 6	185 14 6	1,533 10 0	61 4 0	1,780 12 6	1,818 6 0	1,676 12 6	141 9 6
16. Coimbatore ...	74 1 10	.....	74 1 10	74 6 8	879 15 0	0 11 0	955 0 8	1,029 2 6	955 7 8	73 10 10
17. Salem ...	36 15 4	.....	36 15 4	78 6 0	364 10 6	.....	443 0 6	479 15 10	275 11 1	204 4 9
18. South Canara ...	532 1 0	.....	532 1 0	94 9 6	1,234 9 0	413 11 10	1,742 14 4	2,274 15 4	2,125 1 10	149 13 6
19. Malabar ...	87 12 7	13 12 0	74 0 7	143 8 0	1,638 15 8	5 0 7	1,787 8 3	1,861 8 10	1,861 8 10	.....
Total...	2,307 4 3	13 12 0	2,293 8 3	1,941 5 6	15,004 11 10	1,180 14 6	18,126 15 10	20,420 8 1	17,311 2 5	3,109 5 8

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 388. ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1867, No. 946.

Miscellaneous.

1. In these Proceedings the Board of Revenue report on the operations of the Collectorate Presses during the year 1865-66. Both the number of papers printed and the value of work done shew an increase above the results of 1864-65. The value of work done, which was only Rupees 28,186 in 1857-58, has risen steadily year by year to Rupees 1,48,604 in 1865-66.

	1864-65.	1865-66.
Number of papers printed	12,216	14,493
Value of work, ... Rupees	1,32,444	1,48,604

2. The total charges of the year amounted to Rupees 52,170, and deducting this sum from the total value of work done, the result was a net profit to Government of Rupees 96,434. The Board remark that taking the actual transactions into account, instead of including in the assets the nominal value of the large amount of work done for the Revenue Department, there still remained a clear profit of Rupees 25,273.

3. The circulation of the District Gazettes has risen from 6,643 in 1864-65 to 9,034 in 1865-66. The backwardness of the district of Nellore in this respect is discouraging. No attempt seems to have been made in any part of the Presidency to render the contents of these publications more interesting, and the Board of Revenue are requested to consider the suggestions on this point made in the G. O. on the last report, and to devise means for making the Gazettes "disseminate useful information" to a greater extent than they do at present.

4. The Government are concerned to learn that very few of the Collectors have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded by their Presses, of placing the valuable information which may be found in their records before the public in a convenient form. The only districts in which Selections were printed during the year are those noted in the margin. The Government trust that the next report will shew that the District Officers are taking greater interest in the work. The alleged want of type and other press material cannot be admitted as an excuse, because the Government are prepared to sanction all reasonable proposals for additions to the present stock.

Nellore.
Madura.
Salem.

5. The Government have directed that all private work should be paid for on delivery, but there was a balance on this account of Rupees 811, more than half of which the Board state appertains to the Kistna district. The Board will call upon the Collector of that district, as well as the Collectors of other districts where similar balances appear, for explanation as to their grounds for not conforming to the rule.

6. The subscriptions to the District Gazette should be collected quarterly in advance, and although discretion is required in striking off names for default, there can be no sufficient reason for the large outstanding balances referred to in paragraph 8 of the Board's Proceedings, and particularly for that shewn in South Arcot, where the amount was Rupees 653.

7. The Government note, with approval, the Board's animadversions on the delay in several districts in furnishing printed forms for Talook accounts, and on

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the tardiness with which the Treasury Deputy Collectors bring the resources of the Collectoral Presses into operation in simplifying and supplying forms of accounts.

8. It is observed that in his report on the Judicial Establishments lately submitted to Government, the Honourable Mr. Innes remarks that the District Printing Presses are generally unable to turn out in any reasonable time the work required of them by the Courts.

9. Under these circumstances, it appears to Government that private work should not be undertaken by the District Presses except in very exceptional cases, to be admitted by the Collector only, and that the Board's special attention should be directed to making the Presses as efficient as possible in regard to plant. The first charge on this account will doubtless prove good economy in the end.

10. The Government trust that the remarks made in paragraph 8, G. O. 28th November 1865, No. 2,958, with respect to Press Registers, will be sufficient to ensure proper attention to them in the current year.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

TINNEVELLY, 15th May 1866.

No. 192.

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq.,
Collector of TINNEVELLY,

To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to report on the operations of the Press in this District, for the official year 1865-66, and to forward two Statements, duly filled up in the forms Nos. 1 and 2, received with the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. XLIX.

2. The value of work done in the past year amounts to Rupees 5,691-10-2, exceeding that of the previous year by Rupees 503-4-7.

3. The total cash collections during the year under report amounted to Rupees 1,676-12-6, and exceeded the receipts of the previous year by Rupees 1,410-3-0. Rupees 1,533-10-0, as per margin, is the subscription on account of the District Gazette, and Rupees 143-2-6 on account of private works and sundry receipts. It will be seen that this increased collection is mainly on account of District Gazettes, the number of subscribers having increased from 99 in the beginning of the past official year, to 888 at the end of that year. The publication in the District Gazette of all Rules and Circulars by which the public officials and others are to be guided, and of much useful matter affecting the general public, and the exertions made by some of the Tahsildars by informing the people of the usefulness of the periodical, has led to the increase above-mentioned. The abolition of the postage which was hitherto paid by the subscribers on full payment will, it is hoped, lead to a still wider circulation.

	RS.	A.	P.
Value of Gazettes supplied this year...	588	11	0
Advance for next official year	944	15	0
Total...	1,533	10	0

4. It will be observed that there is a balance of Rupees 141-9-6 uncollected, on account of private work. A large portion of this, viz., Rupees 120, is due on account of a Tamil book called "Vedantanadagam" partially printed. When the remainder of the work is completed, the total value will be collected from the party. Out of the balance, or Rupees 21 9-6, portions have been collected, and the remainder is in course of recovery.

5. In conformity with the instructions of the Board, contained in their Official Memorandum, No. 470, of the 19th May 1865, I have the honor to submit, herewith, the specimen forms, numbers as per margin, printed in the District Press. Owing to the great pressure of current work in the Press Department, they have been unable to print the remainder of the forms. They will, however, be struck off as soon as possible.

12, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, and 23, of forms submitted from the Taluks to the Huzur.

6. Though the Press Department has been lately strengthened, it is still unable to get through its present work without arrears. I would therefore suggest that, if possible, such forms as are common to the Presidency* might be struck off at Madras. I do not think that the District Press can have a more useful work than its Gazette to print, and every official routine letter, or district form, puttah for instance, which is now done here.

* Such as Magisterial, Judicial and Civil processes, &c.

7. As regards printing selections from the records, I have gone carefully through the English records of sixty years, and am unable to suggest the printing of any. If intended for official reference by the officers of the department, the office copies of sent letters are on record, and can easily be referred to, as also the filed letters received; and, as I have before reported, the original of every important letter is to be found on the Presidency records.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

Cocanada, 16th May 1866.

No. 98.

From J. FRASER, Esq.,
Collector of the GODAVERY DISTRICT.

To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the operations of the Printing Press during the year 1865-66, accompanied by the prescribed explanatory Statements.

2. The following Statement exhibits the work done and its estimated value, in comparison with the results of the year preceding :—

	1864-65.				1865-66.				Comparison of the value of the work.					
	Number of papers.	Value.			Number of papers.	Value.			Increase.			Decrease.		
		Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Office work	415	2,642	10	9	390	2,402	11	4	...	...	...	239	15	5
District Gazettes	74	4,520	14	6	90	4,709	11	0	188	12	6	...	...	...
Selection from records.	7	52	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	52	8	0
Judicial Department ...	87	317	4	0	180	386	13	0	69	9	0	...	...	...
Other Public offices ...	22	107	9	6	36	223	1	2	115	7	8	...	...	...
Private work	85	267	2	8	50	128	7	6	...	...	...	138	11	2
Total...	690	7,908	1	5	746	7,850	12	0	373	13	2	431	2	7
												Net Decrease ...	57	5	5

3. During the year the Press was fully occupied, and the number of papers struck off is larger, but their net value is below that of 1864-65 by Rupees 57 owing to the nature of the work. The larger circulation of the District Gazettes accounts for the increase under that head. There was more work done for the Judicial and other Public Departments, and hence the improvement under them. The decrease under office work results from a large number of Abkarry engagements, &c., having been printed last year, and the tabular work done this year being chiefly in Telugu, which has a less value than that in English. In the way of printing selections, nothing could be done this year. The demand for private work is of a fluctuating nature.

4. The circulation of the District Gazettes during the past five years is as follows :—

Year.	Average.
1861-62...	291
1862-63...	445
1863-64...	560
1864-65...	625
1865-66...	781

5. The Demand, Collection, and Balance for the year under review is given below :—

Balance on the 1st May 1865.			Current year's demand.			Total.			Collection.			Balance on 1st May 1866.			Surplus on account of subscription received in advance. for Gazettes.		
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
38	11	8	820	2	6	858	14	2	809	7	2	49	7	0	621	15	0

A portion of the balance due by Gazette subscribers has been since brought to account, and the remainder will be collected immediately.

6. The following is an abstract of the Press charges :—

Items.	1864-65.	1865-66.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
Fixed Establishment	1,842	2,247	405	...
Saderwarid and Contingencies	59	62	3	...
Repair of Press materials	...	20	20	...
Purchase of stock...	...	743	743	...
Total...	1,901	3,072	1,171	...

The establishment drew the increased rates of pay throughout the year under review, while it was not the case in the past. Telugu type at a cost of Rupees 668-1-0 had been procured from Madras, and the requisite wooden furniture at a cost of Rupees 75 made. The seitems have caused an increase under stock.

7. I request the authority of the Board for selling the two wooden presses mentioned in the Report of the Sub-Collector in charge, dated 13th May 1864, No. 122, and the worn out and useless English and Telugu Types* transferred from the Narsapore Sub-Collector's office.

	lbs.
*English	57½
Telugu	204
	261½

Exd. T. Cartledge.

VELLUM, 17th May 1866.

No. 115.

From G. BANBURY, Esq.,
Officiating Collector of TANJORE,
To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit the usual Report on the working of the District Press for the year 1865-66, accompanied by the prescribed Tabular Statements.

2. The subjoined abstract of work done during the year shows a decided improvement upon 1864-65 :—

	1864-65.		1865-66.		Increase.	Decrease.
	No. of papers.	Value of work.	No. of papers.	Value of work.		
		RS.		RS.		
Office work	319	1,905	310	2,678	773	...
District Gazette	19,847	4,696	34,069	7,375	2,679	...
Judicial...	125	553	256	820	267	...
Other Public offices	90	688	83	568	...	120
Private works	33	48	30	85	37	...
	...	7,890	...	11 526	3,756	120

3. It will be seen that the net increase in the value of work done is Rupees 3,636, or three times the increase reported in the previous year. This is owing, no doubt, to the arrival of the new Press and Type, added to the greater exertions of the Press Establishment. There is yet considerable room for improvement, to effect which, the attention of the newly arrived permanent Deputy Collector has been directed.

4. The circulation of the Gazette, as will be seen from the annexed Statement,

Number of Subscribers.

1864-65.				1865-66.			
Full.		Reduced.		Full.		Reduced.	
No.	Papers.	No.	Papers.	No.	Papers.	No.	Papers.
174	751	2,389	10,356	288	1,227	5,739	24,341

has increased very remarkably during the year under report, the increase being represented by no less than 14,461 papers. This is no doubt evidence both of the utility of the Gazette and of its appreciation by the people in general, owing to the matter being carefully and judiciously selected.

1864-65.		1865-66.	
No.	Papers.	No.	Papers.
2,011	8,740	1,959	8,501

Godavery. Malabar.
Canara. Ganjam.
Kurnool. Additional Munsiff of Papanasem.

4. The slight decrease in the number of Gazettes issued free, is owing to a few Collectors having declined the paper, the language of their Districts being different.

5. The total demand on account of the Press amounts to Rupees 2,485-11-11. Deducting therefrom value of work done for other public offices not charged for, viz., Rupees 1,388-4-6, the net demand is Rupees 1,097-7-5, to which the balance of last year, viz., Rupees 13-7-5 being

added, the total is Rupees 1,110-14-10; the whole of which, with the exception of Rupees 21-3-2, has been collected within the year. Of the balance outstanding, Rupees 8-1-2 was recommended for remission last year as irrecoverable, Rupees 9-6-0 have been collected in May 1866, and the remainder, Rupees 3-12-0, will be realized shortly.

6. Of the fixed Budget grant of Rupees 750, to meet extraordinary expenses connected with the Press for the year under report, only Rupees 163-2-9 have been spent. Nearly the whole of the previous year's grant of Rupees 1,000 having been spent in the purchase of a new Press and Type, there was no occasion to spend the whole of the grant for the year under report.

Establishment				2,239	2 9
Saderwards	22	5	6		
For Gazette.					
Printing paper double double pott	610	0	4		
Do. double pott	547	4	8		
Goa	206	1	3		
				1,385	11 9
				3,624	14 6

7. The marginal figures show the expense of working the Press during the year. The establishment cost Rupees 2,239-2-9; contingencies, Rupees 22-5-6; stationery, Rupees 1,363-6-3; total Rupees 3,624-14-6, or with the item in preceding paragraph Rupees 3,788-1-3.

8. Total value of work done being Rupees 11,526-4-2, the balance is thus Rupees 7,738-2-11, or sixty-seven per cent. in favor of the Press, a result which I trust will be gratifying to the Board.

9. The value of the stationery alluded in paragraph 7 has not yet been actually charged in the accounts, but has been computed for the purpose of this report, and will be adjusted in the general Saderward account of the District.

10. For the reasons given in the Report of last year, no attempt has been made to print any selections from the records, and looking to the rapid increase of work connected with the Gazette, there is little prospect of any selections being undertaken and successfully brought out.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

CHETTERPORE, 18th May 1866.

No. 949.

From G. S. FORBES, Esq.,
Collector of GANJAM,
To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to forward the Annual Report on the operations of the District Press for the official year 1865-66, accompanied by the Statements of Receipts and Charges prepared agreeably to the forms received with the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. XLIX., dated the 22nd May 1865.

* 19.

2. There has been a decrease* in the year under report, in the number of copies of Gazettes circulated to public officers, owing to the order of the Board to discontinue the supply of the Gazette to other Collectors, unless specially applied for. The increase† in the number of subscribers is chiefly attributable to the exemption of postage on Gazettes circulated within the District, and also to the free circulation of the Legislative Enactments of the Supreme and Madras Governments.

† Full rate...	9
Reduced rate..	19
	28

3. No selections from office records have been found deserving of being printed, as already reported in my letter of the 19th ultimo, No. 597.

4. Requisitions from Heads of other Departments for printing their office papers have been promptly attended to; and nothing has been allowed to fall into arrears.

5. Important Acts and Rules affecting the Village Officers are being translated into Ooriya. Portions of them are now in the Press. All orders relating to the community in general are published in the Gazette in Ooriya also, and now as an Ooriya Translator has been appointed, it is expected that more work will be done in that language in the current than in the preceding year.

6. The want of necessary Press materials has been much felt. This circumstance was specially brought to the Board's notice in my letter of the 7th March last, No. 178.

7. The value of all description of public work turned out during the year amounted to Rupees 6,895-3-8, and that of private work to Rupees 282-14-7, making a total of Rupees 7,178-2-3. From which, if the charge for Establishment, Sadirwarid, &c., viz., Rupees 2,552-6-10, be deducted, a sum of Rupees 4,625-11-5 stands in favor of the Press.

‡ Rupees 73-12-8.

8. The increase‡ in the amount of subscriptions is in consequence of the inclusion under "Subscriptions" of the balance on hand of postage prepaid by subscribers at the time the Gazettes were directed to be circulated free of postage.

9. The item of Rupees 193-6-11, entered as sundry receipts, is chiefly the value of Sea Custom forms sold at the several ports.

10. The outstanding balance at the close of the year, viz., Rupees 3-9-0, is the charge for private advertisements published in the last issues of the Gazette for the year. Of which, Rupees 3 have been collected, leaving a balance of nine annas to be recovered.

11. The sum of Rupees 3, entered under "Purchase of Stock," is the value of some sidesticks urgently required, and made in 1864-65, but paid for in 1865-66.

Exd. J. Wright.

MANGALORE, 22nd May 1866.

No. 80.

From W. M. CADELL, Esq.,

Collector of SOUTH CANARA,

To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the working of the District Press during the past official year 1865-66, and to forward the Statements connected with it, prepared in the forms supplied with the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, dated 22nd May 1865, No. XLIX.

2. The total value of the work done during the year shows an increase of Rupees 3,270 over that of the previous year, and in which the out-turn was double that in the preceding year. There has thus been a large and steadily increasing progress in the work turned out by the Press Department.

	Rupees.
1863-64	3,685
1864-65	6,813
In the year under report	10,083
Increase over.	
1863-64	6,398
1864-65	3,270

3. The increase arises almost entirely from the larger issues of the District Gazette, the number during the year under report exceeding that of the previous year by 6,038, as shown in the margin. The chief increase in the number issued, is in the reduced subscription, as the heads of villages form by far the larger body of subscribers throughout the District. The increase among other subscribers is, however, not so large as could have been expected or desired, and this notwithstanding considerable efforts have been made to make the Gazettes more useful and attractive.

	Free.	Full Subscribers.	Reduced Subscribers.	Total.
1864-65	6,382	2,829	29,106	38,317
1365-66	6,440	2,837	35,078	44,355
Increase ...	58	8	5,972	6,038

4. The work performed for public offices has likewise increased; the whole of the revenue forms circulated by the Board with their Memorandum, dated 19th May 1865, have been struck off during the year, and this has contributed to the increase of work done in this branch of the Department. The introduction of these forms has proved very satisfactory, and many of the accounts and returns submitted from the Talukas are now found not only more neat and correct than before, but their transmission has been much accelerated. Specimens of all these forms have been sent to the Board with my letters noted in the margin.

1865-66.	Rs.	Rs.
Collector's office	2,521	
Judicial	104	
Others	307	
		2,932
1864-65		2,328
1863-64		1,399

To Board, 31st October 1865, No. 176.
" 5th December 1865, No. 195.

5. No selections from the old record have been undertaken during the past year, pending the approval of the Board of the list forwarded with my letters of the 20th June 1865, No. 84, and 2nd August 1865, No. 113. This sanction having, however, now been received, preparations have been already made for preparing the necessary manuscripts, and next year I hope to be able to report that some selections have been completed. This work can only be undertaken at intervals, and when there is no call for other more pressing work; and with the present stock of materials and types, I do not think that much can be done. The Board may, however, be assured that I shall do my utmost to work the Department as far as the means available will permit. I may here add that the printing of the pamphlet of weights and measures, directed by the Board in their Proceedings, 3rd April 1865, No. 1,847, and which could not be undertaken for some time from absence of printing materials, is now in hand, and will be very shortly completed.

6. Of the 1,335 lbs. of Canarese types in stock, 480 lbs. are now quite worn out, they having been in use since the establishment of the Press. 300 lbs. of English types are also much worn, and besides this, they do not correspond in size with those latterly purchased from time to time from the German Mission Printing Establishment here. I therefore, propose, in submitting my Indent due in June next, to provide for renewing and replenishing the stock of these types.

7. The progress made in collecting subscriptions to the Gazette is very satisfactory. The whole of the demand of the year, inclusive of the arrears remaining at its commencement, has been collected, with the exception of the small amount of Rupees 150. Of this balance, Rupees 68-7-6 has been realized in the current month, and the balance will, it is hoped, be adjusted very shortly.

Demand, Collection, and Balance.	Rs.	A.	P.
Demand including arrears..	2,274	15	4
Collections	2,125	1	10
Balance...	149	13	6

8. Of the above outstanding, I beg to request the authority of the Board to strike off the accounts the sum of Annas 10 due, at the close of the previous year, on account of private work. This amount was due from a resident of Madras for work done in 1864, and who has been more than twice addressed on the subject, but without effect.

Exd. T. Cartledge,

VIZAGAPATAM, 28th May 1866.

No. 52.

From J. W. MURRAY, Esq.,
Acting Deputy Collector.

To D. F. CARMICHAEL, Esq.,
Collector of VIZAGAPATAM.

1. I have the honor to submit the Annual Report on the operations of the Press of this District, during the year 1865-66, accompanied by the usual statements.

2. The following Comparative abstract shows the amount of work done during the past and the previous year and the value thereof.

	1864-65.		1865-66.		Comparison of the value of work.	
	No. of papers.	Value of work.	No. of papers.	Value of work.	Increase.	Decrease.
Office work	816	5,307	677	3,295	...	2,012
District Gazettes	52	3,461	52	4,158	697	...
Judicial Department	111	271	282	954	683	...
Other Public Offices	104	420	127	916	496	...
Private work	35	60	30	45	...	15
	1,118	9,519	1,168	9,368	1,876	2,027
				Deduct Increase...		1,876
				Net Decrease...		151

3. It will be seen that while there has been an increase in Gazettes, and work for other offices, there has been a decrease in office and private work, but the gross value is nearly the same as in last year, the net decrease being only Rupees 151.

4. From this it must not be supposed that the *labor* of the Press Establisment has in any way diminished in the past year. On the contrary, it has been more and is daily increasing, necessitating the employment of additional hands under the Board's Standing Circular, No. 18, dated 16th March 1865. The tabular forms which accompany this Report in themselves convey no idea as to the extent and description of work actually done. I beg now to supply this information.

	Tabular form.			Plain.		
	No. of papers.	No. of pages.	No. of copies.	No. of papers.	No. of pages.	No. of copies.
For 1864-65	494	1,279	5,54,320	624	1,187	8,84,150
„ 1865-66	406	1,240	5,99,118	762	1,487	13,26,700
Increase...	...	...	44,798	138	300	4,42,550
Decrease...	88	39	...	...	...	...

5. The press has been so much occupied with work for other Departments that it has been found quite impracticable to print any selections.

6. In the year under review, the number of full subscribers was thirty-four against forty of the previous year, or a decrease of six. The number of reduced subscribers was thirty against twenty-seven in 1864-65, or an increase of three. Net decrease three.

7 In the purchase of stock there has been a small outlay in the past year of Rupees 232-14-0. Subsequently, a supply of type has been received, but this will form a subject for the Report of the current year.

The foregoing Report, which appears satisfactory, is submitted to the Board of Revenue.

Exd. R. H. Lee.

MADANAPALLY, 28th May 1866.

No. 79.

From H. G. SMITH, Esq.,

Collector of CUDDAPAH,

To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the operation of the Press of this Collectorate during the past official year 1865-66, accompained by the prescribed statements,* prepared by the Deputy Collector in charge of the treasury and press.

* Nos. 1 and 2 with enclosures.

2. The following abstract, which is prepared from Statement No. 1, exhibits the number of papers printed under each head, and the estimated value of work done in comparison with the same particulars for the preceding year:—

ITEMS.	1864-65.		1865-66.		* COMPARISON.			
					Increase.		Decrease.	
	No. of Papers.	Value of work.	No. of Papers.	Value of work.	No. of Papers.	Value of work.	No. of Papers.	Value of work.
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.
Office Work..... ...	230	1,753 15 5	352	2,446 7 11	122	692 8 6	...	... ...
District Gazette ...	80	6,092 2 7	53	5,860 7 11	...	... ...	27	231 10 8
Selections from the Records.....	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...
Judicial Department.	43	403 9 11	30	109 9 2	...	... ...	13	294 0 9
Other Public Offices.	69	156 1 7	77	157 15 9	8	1 14 2	...	... ...
Private work...	30	109 5 4	49	79 0 6	19	... ...	...	30 4 10
Total...	452	8,515 2 10	561	8,653 9 3	149	694 6 8	40	556 0 3
					Net increase...	109	138	6 5

3. It will be seen from the above that there is a net increase in the amount of work done during the year under review in comparison with the preceding one. The large increase in office work in the year is owing to the several forms of Huzur and Taluk accounts forwarded by the Board of Revenue having been printed as per instructions.

4. The decrease in the number of issues of the District Gazette, in the year under review, compared with the preceding year, is attributable to the supplements of the Gazette having been included with the issue of the Gazette, instead of counting them as separate issues, as was done in 1864-65.

5. As directed by the Board in their Miscellaneous Circular, No. CXXX Board No. 6,034, dated 27th September 1865, Mr. A. Cruickshank, my Assistant, was requested to prepare a list of the Reports not already in print it is desirable to print for facility of reference and as valuable for public purposes; but it is impossible for that officer to prepare that list as early as expected, and as soon as he furnishes me with such a list, I shall submit the same to the Board of Revenue.

6. There is a decrease in the number of subscribers to the Gazette, as shown in column* 4 of the abstract, particularly in the month of April 1866, compared with the previous month of the same year, in consequence of sixteen Revenue Inspectors, whose salaries recently increased to Rupees 25 and upwards, as per sanction of Government, having been transferred to the head† in column 3 of the above abstract. There is also a decrease of one subscriber in this column in April 1866, arising from the death of the individual.

* Village Officers and Public servants under 25 Rupees' salary on reduced subscription.

† Private individuals on full subscription.

7. The Demand and Collections on account of subscriptions to the District Gazette, in the year under review, are far less than in the previous year, as shown in the margin. This is no doubt attributable to the collection of the subscription for the District Gazette having been made for the calendar instead of for the official year, as alluded to in paragraph 6 of my Report‡ for the last year. The entries in the present statement consist of subscriptions for four months of the year, viz., from January to April 1866.

	1864-65.			1865-66.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Demand with arrears	1,927	8	2	953	1	0
Collections	1,976	7	2	662	13	0

‡ Dated 19th May 1865, No. 60.

8. The balance of Rupees 290-4-0 on account of subscriptions to the District Gazette will be collected as early as possible, and the several Tahsildars have been directed to realize the amount at once from the subscribers.

9. Of the balance, Rupees 3-3-9 on account of private work, a sum of Rupees 2-1-0 is still outstanding in the accounts from 1862-63, and which is due by Mr. George Sawyer, who has not taken any notice whatever of the frequent calls that have been made to pay the amount. In fact he is not now to be found anywhere, I request, therefore, sanction to write off this amount from the accounts. The small balance, Rupees 1-2-9, will be recovered at an early date.

Exd. R. H. Lee.

PALMANAIR, 2nd June 1866.

No. 142.

From J. D. ROBINSON, Esq.,
Collector of NORTH ARCOT,

To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the operations of the Printing Press attached to this office, during the official year 1865-66, accompanied by Statements Nos. 1 and 2, circulated with the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. $\frac{\text{XLIX}}{2,692}$ dated 22nd May 1865.

2. Statement No. 1 exhibits the quantity and value, nominal and real, of work executed during the year.

3. The total value of work done amounts, as shown in enclosure A of Statement No. 1, to Rupees 6,362-11-9, against Rupees 7,175-1-9 during the preceding year. The net decrease is thus Rupees 812-6-0.

4. Although there is a falling off in the value of the year's work, still the number of papers printed in it is greater than in the previous year. The reason that there is a decrease in the value, while the number of papers printed has increased, is that a great number of small forms, for which the printing charge is very trifling, have been included in that number. Then again, in printing off the several Circulars, Revenue and Magisterial, the number of copies required of each was generally so small, that no additional charge could be made, as would have been the case, had the requirements in each exceeded 300 copies at a time.

5. From this same enclosure A, the Board will observe that some work, to a limited extent, was executed for "other Districts." This consisted of forms of Telugu Summonses printed for the use of the District Munsiff of Oossoor, in the Salem District, at the requisition of the Civil Judge of that District.

6. The circulation of the District Gazette has increased to a very gratifying extent during the year under review. These results are due to the continuous efforts of the local officers to promote this desirable object, aided no doubt by the recent order which permits the Gazette to be distributed by the Tahsildar among his Taluk subscribers.

7. There is a trifling increase of Rupees 90-7-6 in the value of work executed for the Police Department.

8. During the year under report, a fresh set of Vernacular Types, &c., as per margin, were supplied by the Superintendent of Government Gazette Press, as directed by the Board in their Proceedings, dated 20th December 1865, No. 8,193, but the cost of these articles has not yet been debited in the accounts of the year. The sum of Rupees 16-3-5, entered in the Statement No. 2, is made up of charges defrayed out of the Budget grant of 1865-66, in connection with the Royal Columbian Press, for the purchase of which, an advance of Rupees 543-7-11 was made last year. This new Press has since been received, and is very usefully employed.

366½	lbs. of Tamil types, &c.,	(Small Pica.)
71	,, of Telugu do.	do. (Pica.)
139½	,, of English do.	do.

9. As work for Public Departments is executed gratis under the Order of Government, dated 23rd September 1862, No. 2,067, the real earnings of the Press are only those realized on private jobs, which were very insignificant, and from the subscriptions to the District Gazette. This latter item amounted to Rupees 443-6-0, as per Statement No. 2, against Rupees 297-11-0 for the previous year.

10. I have already reported in my letter, dated 2nd November 1865, No. 267, that the orders conveyed in No. $\frac{\text{XLIX}}{2,692}$ dated 22nd May 1865, respecting the way in which the registers are to be kept, have been attended to.

11. The Board will observe that no selections from the District records were printed in the year on which I am reporting. On receipt of their Proceedings, dated 7th March last, No. 1,583, directing that Mr. Strotton's Report on the Zemindaries should be printed at the District Press, the work was at once put in hand, but the progress hitherto has been very slow, as the Press establishment has been most fully engaged in supplying the heavy requirements of the several local Departments.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

MADURA, 2nd June 1866.

No. 182.

From V. H. LEVINGE, Esq.,
Collector of MADURA,

To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the operations of the Collectorate Press of this District for 1865-66, accompanied with the usual explanatory Statements, Nos. 1 and 2.

2. Enclosure A., to Statement No. 1, exhibits the quantity and value of the work executed for the several Public Departments during the year under Report, as compared with the year 1864-65.

3. It will be observed that the working of the Press during the past year has been on the whole more advantageous than last year, since there is an increase both in the number of papers printed and in the value of work done, the former amounting to one hundred and sixty-seven, and the latter to Rupees 967-0-4.

4. Under the item of office work, there is an increase of Rupees 1,131-0-10, which is attributable to the specimen copies of the Forms circulated with the Board's Memorandum, dated 19th May 1865, as well as Statements, &c., relating to the Mortuary Department, which was recently opened, and certain other accounts of the Sea Custom Department having been printed in large numbers. Besides, the Press is now more freely used for printing Circulars, &c.

	No.	Rs.	A.	P.
1864-65...	628	3,534	1	11
1865-66	760	4,665	2	9
Increase...	132	1,131	0	10

	No.
1864-65...	17,992
1865-66...	20,818
Increase...	2,826

5. Under the head of District Gazette, there is also an increase showing that it has obtained a wider circulation.

	Full subscription.	Reduced subscription.	Total.
1864-65... ...	33	182	215
1865-66... ...	40	236	276
Increase...	7	54	61

6. There is likewise an increase of sixty-one persons in the number of subscribers paying both full and reduced subscriptions in the year under report, as compared with that of the preceding year, as noted in the margin.

7. The total value of the work turned out on account of the Gazette falls short of that of the preceding year by Rupees 8, as noted in the margin. This is caused by a less number of sheets having been issued with certain numbers of the Gazette.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1864-65	4,196	12	0
1865-66	4,188	12	0
Decrease...	8	0	0

8. The collections on account of subscriptions to the District Gazette amounted to 430 Rupees in the last official year, while in the present year it arose to 458 Rupees.

9. As regards selections, I beg to observe, with reference to paragraph 11 of my Report for the year 1864-65, that the correspondence on the reduction of tax in Vundyur, &c., seven villages have been printed this year, six copies of which I have sent to the Board, under date the 21st May last. Two more selections, comprising the subject specified in the margin, have been sent to the Press. I am sorry to report that none of the selections already printed found any sale.

1. Forest correspondence.
2. Papers relative to the reduction of tax on Punjah lands in Combay, &c., villages.

10. The Judicial Department has not in the last year availed itself of the assistance of the Press to the extent to which it made use of it in the preceding year. However, the work turned out for the Department in 1865-66 is much higher than in 1863-64.

11. The work performed for other Departments does not call for any special remark.

12. Under the head of private work, there is an increase of sixty-eight Rupees, annas ten and 1 pice three. It is owing to the people having made use of the press to a greater extent in the year under report than in the year preceding it There is a continual increase every year in the work performed for private individuals, which shows that the people are beginning to value the press more and more.

13. The total value of work executed in the year under report is Rupees 10,026-2-0, from which after deducting Rupees 9,747, being the price of Government work, there is a balance of Rupees 279-2-0, which added to Rupees 458, being subscription to District Gazette, and Rupees 70-10-5, being the Miscellaneous receipts, such as the sale of Durkast Forms, &c., make the demand of the year Rupees 807-12-5. This compared with the demand of the last year is less by Rupees 17, which is attributable to the falling off in the Miscellaneous receipts.

14. Subjoined is a Table showing the expenditure on account of the press in the year under Report, compared with that of the previous year. It exhibits a decrease of Rupees 491-10-2, which is owing to the price paid for the purchase of stock being very small. There is an increase in the amount of the pay of the Fixed Establishment. It is accounted for by the increased rate of pay being given for a greater number of months in this than in the preceding year :—

	1864-65.			1865-66.		
Fixed Establishment...	1,829	1	11	2,250	8	0
Saderwarid...	86	0	2	68	11	6
Extra Establishment...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Repair of Press Materials	2	8	0	...	...	...
Purchase of Stock...	1,062	0	0	163	12	5
	2,979	10	1	2,487	15	11
Decrease...				491	10	2

	Rs	A.	P.
Total value of work executed...	10,026	2	0
Deduct expenditure	2,487	15	11
Balance...	7,538	2	1

15. In conclusion, I beg to observe that after deducting the charges from the total amount of the work executed under all heads, there remains a surplus of Rupees 7,538-2-1 in fvaor of the Press.

Exd. R. H. Lee.

BELLARY, 5th June 1866.

No. 109.

From W. S. FOSTER, Esq.,

Acting Sub-Collector in charge of BELLARY,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to report on the operations of the Collectorate Press during the past official year 1865-66. Two Statements prepared in compliance with the instructions of the Board of Revenue, as contained in their Miscellaneous Circular, No. 49, (Board No. 2,692,) dated 22nd May 1865, are also sent.

2. In the last report mention was made that there were three Presses in the office, the Columbian, Hand-lever, and a Wooden-roller Press, and of arrangements being made for securing another known as the "Little Favorite." This last-named Press was received through the Superintendent of the Gazette Press in January last, since which time it has been actively employed. Though it is a Press that is easily handled, yet it scarcely merits the high terms in which it was spoken of, as with all the expedition used it can turn out only 400 copies an hour; and as it is a Press that strikes off but two pages at a time, I do not see that it is so very much superior to the Columbian, which though it strikes off but 200 copies in an hour, yet turns out four pages at a time. It is principally used in striking off forms, &c.

3. Annexed is a Statement showing the estimated value of the work done during the year under report, as compared with the previous year, from which it will be seen that there is a decrease of Rupees 34-11-0 in the amount of Gazette work.

Department.	1864-65.		1865-66.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Number of papers.	Value.	Number of papers.	Value.		
		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Office Work ...	267	1,054 7 8	277	1,855 5 4	800 13 8	... ...
District Gazette.	52	5,831 13 6	52	5,797 2 6	... .	34 11 0
Judicial Department...	87	205 2 1	28	96 8 2	... ...	108 9 11
Other Public Offices.	31	123 8 3	111	514 10 4	391 2 1	... ...
Private Work ...	78	258 9 3	29	99 2 9	... ...	159 6 6
Total...	515	7,473 8 9	497	8,362 13 1	1,191 15 9	302 11 5
					Net. 889 4 4	

4. This is attributable to a great number of Standing Circulars of the Board of Revenue for 1865 not being published as Supplements to the District Gazette, in consequence of no translations of the same being received from the Deputy Collector of Nellore. I beg that the necessary arrangements may be made to expedite their despatch, as their non-receipt in time involves additional labor on the Establishment, as abstracts of the Standing Circulars have to be published for the information and guidance of the Revenue and other officers, which would be obviated if the Circular, with its translation, could be published a short time after the receipt of the former in this office. Adverting to the delay, I would just observe that the translations of the Standing Circulars of the Board of Revenue for 1865 are only now, almost a twelve month after date, being received for publication.

5. The decrease in Judicial work is attributable to the printed forms used in the Courts, and which used to be struck off at the Collectorate Press, now being received printed from the Presidency. The decrease in private work is attributable to the setting up of two Presses by private individuals, and partly to the increase of office work not admitting of the execution of much private work.

6. The demand on account of work done for private individuals, but chiefly on account of subscriptions to the District Gazette, is Rupees 2,295-5-5, of which Rupees 2,256-3-2 have been collected within the official year, and Rupees 33-2-3 in the current month, leaving a balance of Rupees 3.

7. This sum, which is due by Mr. Sawyer, Translator of the High Court, for publishing an Advertisement of his, I request may be written off to profit and loss in the accounts. He was requested on very many occasions to remit the amount due, but without the desired result. I am since informed that he is dead.

8. The printing of the District Gazette still continues to be the chief work of the Printing Office. It commands now a circulation of about 1,500 issues per week, of which more than 1,300 copies are subscribed for by private individuals; a very fair criterion of the estimation in which it is held by the native public.

9. The charges of establishment, cost of material, stock, &c., amount to Rupees 3,956-0-11.

10. It would very much facilitate the despatch of business if an additional hand could be entertained who might be engaged in such miscellaneous work as cleaning forms, boiling glue for rollers, cutting paper for the press, and in many other ways. I beg, therefore, you will be good enough to obtain sanction for the employment of a person for such work on a monthly salary of Rupees 10-8-0.

11. As the Superintendent of the Government Gazette Press has only supplied in part the type sanctioned by the Government in their Proceedings, No. 1,433, dated 13th August 1864, I have the honor to request he may be directed to supply the remainder at his earliest convenience. I would just observe that it is about two years since sanction was granted.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

CALICUT, 9th June 1866.

No. 176.

From G. A. BALLARD, Esq.,

Collector of MALABAR,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my report on the working of the Press during the last official year 1865-66, accompanied by the usual Statements.

2. The demand on account of the Press for the year under report is Rupees 1,452-4-3. This, as well as the arrears which out stood at the beginning of the year, viz., Rupees 74-0-7, together with Rupees 335-4-0, being subscription paid in advance for 1866-67, was realized during the year, amounting in all to Rupees 1,861-8-10. Rupees 13-12 0, included in the last year's balance, have been struck off the accounts, as per instructions conveyed in the Board's Proceedings, dated 26th May 1865, No. 2,755.

3. The subjoined abstract gives the entire working of the Press during the year as compared with that during the previous year:—

	Revenue Department.		District Gazettes.		Selections from Records.		Judicial Department.		Other Public Officers.		Private work.		Total.	
	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of issues.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.	No. of papers.	Value.
1864-65.....	207	1,506	54	4,403	...	...	157	509	57	329	72	426	547	7,173
1865-66.....	271	1,565	51	5,961	...	...	152	472	105	590	59	144	638	8,732
1865-66.														
Increase	64	59	...	1,558	...	...	...	...	49	261	...	...	92	1,559
Decrease	...	...	3	...	...	...	5	37	...	...	13	282	...	...

4. It will appear, from the foregoing table, that the total value of work executed during the year amounts to Rupees 8,732, and is in excess of that of the former year by Rupees 1,559. The increase, it will be observed, is chiefly in the Gazette; which of late has greatly increased in bulk, owing to the publication of the Board's Circular Orders, Police Sheet, and much Miscellaneous matters. There is also a somewhat large increase under the head of other Public Officers; which is due partly to the Military Officers in the District having given more work than in last year; and partly to a larger number of forms, &c., having been printed during the year for the Police.

5. The decrease under private work is to be traced to the forms of Export and Import Manifests, &c., required by the Merchants, (as per Board's Circular, dated 22nd December 1865, No. CLXXIX.,) having been printed during the year in a private Press, which was established for some time at this station.

6. The circulation of the District Gazette has extended during the year from 805 to 864 copies. The additional useful matter which frequently find place in it, including the Board's Circulars and the Legislative Enactments, conduces to its better appreciation by the local public.

7. The distribution of the Gazette free of postage has placed it within the reach of a larger portion of the population; and it is expected that a considerable number will be added to the list of our subscribers during the current year.

8. In my last report the worn out state of the Malayalam type was brought to notice, and sanction has been since received for the entertainment of a type-founder. It being very difficult to secure a person here for the work, one was sent for from Travancore. But he has not made much progress in the work, having done only 150 lbs. from January last, when he was first entertained.

9. The Press Establishment have had much work, and they have done it diligently and satisfactorily.

1. A list of the Selections from the Records has been made and submitted to the Board. Any papers approved of by the Board will be published with as much expedition as the current work will admit of.

Vide Collector's letter to Board, dated 7th April 1866, No. 116

Exd. J. Wright.

OOTACAMUND, 13th June 1866.

No. 159.

From P. GRANT, Esq.,
Collector of COIMBATORE,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit the Annual Returns connected with the operations of the Printing Press of this Collectorate, for the official year 1865-66, prepared in the Forms prescribed in the Board's Miscellaneous Circular of the 22nd May 1865, No. XLIX, (Board No. 2,692.)

2. The annexed table shows the number of papers printed under each head, and the estimated value of the work done, as compared with the same details in the preceding year:—

Items.	1864-65.		1865-66.		Comparison of the value of work performed.	
	No. of papers.	Value of work.	No. of papers.	Value of work.	Increase.	Decrease.
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Office work	137	1,479 14 10	142	683 7 8	... ...	796 7 2
District Gazette	51	3,765 3 10	52	4,973 3 8	1,207 15 10	... ...
Judicial Department ...	96	346 8 2	140	311 9 5	... ...	34 14 9
Other Public Offices ...	33	123 4 10	49	186 4 9	62 15 11	... ...
Private work	26	38 8 2	138	74 6 8	35 14 6	... ...
Total...	343	5,753 7 10	521	6,229 0 2	1,306 14 3	831 5 11
Deduct Decrease	...	... ...	...	... ...	831 5 11	... ...
Net Increase...	...	... ...	...	... ...	475 8 4	... ...

3. In 1864-65, a large number of Forms for the Magisterial Department was printed. Such was not the case in the year under report, hence the decrease under the head "Office work." The value of work done under the head "District Gazette" is in advance of the preceding year by Rupees 1,207-15-10, owing to an increase in the number of pages printed, and of the number supplied to subscribers. In 1864-65 the number of Village Officers and public servants who received the Gazette on payment of the reduced rate of subscription was 393 on the average; whereas in 1865-66 the average number of these subscribers amounted to 540. Under the authority conveyed in the Government Order of the 28th November 1865, No. 2,958, paragraph 4, all Gazettes intended for non-official classes are now forwarded in bulk to the Tahsildar of the Taluk in which they reside for distribution; and it is hoped that by this arrangement a wider circulation amongst private individuals can be ensured. Advantage was taken of the occurrence of the Jummahbundy to draw the attention of the village officials and ryots to this subject. The fluctuations in the value of work performed, under the heads noted in the margin, are small, and require no particular comment.

Judicial Department.
Other Public Offices.
Private Work.

4. The actual receipts during the past year amount to Rupees 826-15-8, as shown in the following abstract :—

Items.	1864-65.	1865-66.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Private work	37 9 2	75 15 8	38 6 6	... ...
Subscriptions to District Gazette. Arrears and Current	512 2 0	577 7 0	65 5 0	... ...
Subscriptions to District Gazette. Advance	301 2 0	172 10 0	.....	128 8 0
Sundry Items	0 7 0	0 15 0	0 8 0	... ...
	851 4 2	826 15 8	104 3 6	128 8 0
			Deduct increase...	104 3 6
			Net decrease...	24 4 6

5. The receipts on account of private work and sundry items, as well as subscription to District Gazette, both arrears and current, show an increase of Rupees 104-3-6; while the advance received for 1866-67 exhibits a decrease of Rupees 128-8-0 below the advance received in 1864-65. On the whole there is a net decrease of Rupees 24-4-6.

6. The charges incurred during the year are given in the annexed table in comparison with those of 1864-65.

Items.	1864-65.	1865-66.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Establishment...	1,768 14 0	2,222 0 3	453 2 3	... ...
Saderwarid	308 12 8	100 14 0	... ...	207 14 8
Purchase and repair of stock... ...	999 9 5	21 10 0	... ...	977 15 5
Total actual charges ..	3,077 4 1	2,344 8 3	453 2 3	1,185 14 1
Value of stationery articles used by the Press Department from the supply received from the Superintendent of Stationery at Madras	1,005 2 4	850 15 6	... ...	154 2 10
Grand Total...	4,082 6 5	3,195 7 9	453 2 3	1,340 0 11
			Deduct increase...	453 2 3
			Net decrease...	886 14 8

7. The salaries of the Establishment were paid for the whole year 1865-66, according to increased rates sanctioned in the Government Orders noted in the margin; whereas in the preceding year the old rates of pay were in force up to December 1864, which accounts for the increase under the head "Establishment." The Saderwarid charges show a decrease of Rupees 207-14-8, owing to the more economical use of sundry articles. The Press materials, such as type, &c., sanctioned as per Indent, submitted with my letter of the 1st July 1865, No. 125, amounting in value to Rupees 501, were not received from the Superintendent of Government Printing Establishment at Madras within the official year under report, and consequently no expenditure was incurred on that account. In their Proceedings of the 6th October 1865, No. 6,556, the Board sanctioned a sum of Rupees 40 for the purchase, in the District, of certain articles required for the Press Department. The amount was accordingly advanced from the Permanent Advance Fund; but the bill of actual charges not having been received in time to admit of the expenditure being included in the District Contingent Bill for April 1865, the amount has not formed an item of charge in the Treasury Accounts for the official year 1865-66. Under these circumstances the annual grant of 750 Rupees has not been spent, with the exception of a small sum of Rupees 21-10-0 paid for the repair of sundry articles. The value of stationery articles used by the Press Department from the supply received from the Superintendent of Stationery at Madras is also less than in the preceding year by Rupees 154-2-10.

Dated, 19th November 1864, No. 2,124.
,, 4th April 1865, No. 726.

8. The total demand on account of the Press for 1865-66, inclusive of the outstanding balance at the beginning of the year, amount to Rupees 1,029-2-6, of which Rupees 654-5-8 were collected during the year, and Rupees 301-2-0 in 1864-65, making in all Rupees 955-7-8, which leaves a balance of Rupees 73-10-10, for the recovery of which measures have been adopted.

9. Adverting to paragraph 8 of the Government Order, dated 28th November 1865, No. 2,958, I beg to state that the several Registers prescribed for the Press Department are duly kept under the superintendence of the Treasury Deputy Collector.

10. Papers fit for being printed have been selected from the records of my office, and a list of them will be shortly sent to the Board for their approval.

Exd. R. H. Lee.

CUTTIWAK, 14th June 1866.

No. 180.

From E. G. R. FANE, ESQ.,
Collector of MADRAS,

To R. A. DALYELL, ESQ.,
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Annual Report on the operation of the Press in this District during 1865-66, with the usual Statements according to the forms circulated with the Board's Miscellaneous Circular of the 22nd May 1865, No. XLIX.

2. There has been a small increase in the gross value of the work executed.

3. I am glad to say that the circulation of the District Gazette has made a great advance upon previous years. The present number of subscribers is 563 against 399 of last year.

4. No records, I regret to say, have been printed this year, as the Press has been fully occupied with the current work. There is, also, still no proper place for the Press itself, and that, together with a great want of proper type, &c., will prevent the printing of the selections, lately approved of by the Board, for at least another year.

Exd. J. Wright.

SENKAGIRIDRUG, 16th June 1866.

No. 104.

From the Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT,
Collector of SALEM,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my usual Report for the official year 1865-66, on the operations of the Press in this District, accompanied by the two Statements, Nos. 1 and 2, the forms prescribed in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated May 22nd, 1863.

2. The Statement No. 1 exhibits the amount of work done for the several Departments, as well as that of private work for each month of the year. The Comparative Statement A. shows the increase or decrease in the number of papers printed, and in the estimated value of the work done in the year under report. The total increase under the first head is 22·8 per cent., and that under the latter is 25·7 per cent., or Rupees 1,891-10-11.

3. The work done for the Revenue Department is detailed in Statement No. 1 under three heads, Office Work, District Gazettes, and Selections from the records. The first of these shows a decrease in the number of papers printed of 82 in 716, and in the value a decrease of Rupees 6-8-7 in a sum of Rupees 3,263-10-1, a variation too slight to call for remark. The decrease in the number of papers being so much larger in proportion, shows that the work done has been of a more valuable character.

4. The item "District Gazettes," shows a marked increase both in the number of copies and in the value: The first is 3,479, or 24·5 per cent., and the second Rupees 1,149-9-6, or 38·6 per cent. This is to be attributed to the increase in the size of the Gazette, and to its more extended circulation. It will be seen from the abstract of the distribution of Gazettes, one of the Statements sent herewith, that the circulation has been increasing steadily from month to month. The average number of copies in each issue during the month of April 1866, is 2·08 per cent. greater than that in the month of May 1865. It will be observed that there has been a great increase in the months of March and April. This is owing to the fact that in the beginning of the month of March, the order of Government, relative to the distribution of Gazettes free of postage, (*vide* Revenue Board Miscellaneous Circular CLXIX., dated 18th December 1865,) was put into operation. The additions to the list of public officers, to whom the Gazettes are supplied gratis, are as follow:—Assistant Collector, 1; Postmasters, 2; Deputy Director of Revenue Settlement, Salem, 1; and Deputy Superintendent of Vaccination. The diminutions are:—Collectors of other Districts, 7; Deputy Registrar, Shervaroy Hills, 1; net decrease 3. To the usual notices and orders relating to the different Public Departments, which are published in the Gazette, are added documents of an important nature affecting the Ryots or the community in general, Abstracts of the business done by the Courts, Civil and Criminal, Notices of intended Government sales of land, Monthly Demand Collection and Balance Statements, Price lists of grains, season and cultivation reports, summaries of death register, &c. The Standing Circulars of the Revenue Board are published as a Supplement, and the Acts of the Government of India have been distributed with Gazettes to subscribers in the District.

5. As regards selections from the records, none have been printed during the past year; but the Assistant Collector, Mr. Hughesdon, has been engaged in making a selection, and has prepared a list of documents which he deems it advisable to publish. The series has been commenced with Colonel Read's report on the original settlement and statistics of the District, which has been epitomized and annotated by Mr. Puckle, Deputy Director of Revenue Settlement, who has in some cases contrasted Colonel Read's statistics with statistics relating to the same matters at the present time. This is now in the Press, and will soon be published.

6. The amount to which the Judicial Department made use of the Press during the past official year is considerably in excess, both in number of papers printed and in estimated value, of what appeared in my last report. The increase in number of papers is 35·6 per cent., and in value 34·2 per cent.

7. The totals of work done for other Public Departments are in excess in number of papers and in value, respectively 13·3 and 104·4 per cent. The largest increase is for the Police Department. Particulars are tabulated below:—

Departments.	Decrease, per cent.		Increase, per cent.	
	Number of papers.	Estimated value.	Number of papers.	Estimated value.
Engineer...	59·2	77·8	.....	.....
Postal	.....	49 8	.....	.....
Police	.....	.....	107·8	483· 1
Forests	.....	.....	100·0	17· 6
Medical	.....	.....	100 0	9·09

The item Private Work shows a decrease in the number of papers to the extent of 2·8 per cent., but an increase of 69·8 per cent. in the value as compared with the amounts in the year 1864-65.

8. The receipts and charges on account of the Press for the year under report, are shown in the Statement No. 2. The total charges incurred amount to Rupees 2,403-14-4, being in excess of the charge for the preceding year by Rupees 248-1-2. This is attributable chiefly to the fixed establishment having been put upon an efficient footing, as recommended by the Honorable Mr. Pelly. As a consequence of this, the charge for extra establishment is less by Rupees 97-2-0 than in the year 1864-65. The net increase in the establishment is represented by a sum of Rupees 251-14-0. The receipts during the year amount to Rupees 357-4-1, but this sum includes a sum of Rupees 81-9-0, which was the balance of Press earnings remaining on the 30th April 1863, and is, therefore, to be disregarded in estimating the operations of the Press in the past year. The amount actually collected during the year is Rupees 275-11-1. The transactions of the Press are therefore as follow:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Actual collections	275	11	1
Value of work done for Revenue, Judicial, and other Public Departments, exclusive of District Gazette...	5,100	11	8
	5,376	6	9
Deduct charges	2,403	14	4
	2,972	8	5

This is to be taken as the profit, exclusive of the cost of wear and tear of plant.

9. The demand in the year amounted to Rupees 483-9-8, of which Rupees 275-11-1 has been collected. The balance is principally on account of subscriptions to the District Gazette, and this item amounts to 193-14-6, all of which will be collected within the first quarter of the current official year. There is a balance of Rupees 3-9-10 outstanding since 1862-63, for work done for Public Departments, and permission to write off this sum is requested.*

* Vide paragraph 11 of my last Report.

10. The operations of the Press have been much impeded during the past year by want of type. An indent was made in August 1865 for types to the estimated value of Rupees 650, to be paid out of the fixed annual allowance of Rupees 750, sanctioned for each District in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th March 1865, No. XVIII. The types were not received till after the close of the official year 1865-66, and the execution of the work was delayed, and the labour of the Department increased in consequence. Now, however, that the types have been received, it will be possible to keep the principal forms, &c., which are in constant requisition, set up in type, and it will no longer be necessary, as hitherto, that they should be set up and distributed every time an indent is made for them. Much labour will thus be saved, and an extra press is only required to make the Department fully equal to the demands made upon it.

11. The presses now in the Department, of which there are only two, a Demi and a Foolscap size, are much too small to enable the Department to strike off with any rapidity the large number of forms that are constantly required from all Departments, and the consequence is that forms are set up and laid by until those that are being struck off are completed. The delay thus caused, I need not observe, is very great, and the arrears that necessarily accumulate are larger than the Department can well get through, however hard the hands may work. The small size of the presses will not admit of more than three or four forms being struck off at a time, whereas they are required by thousands. The Police and Forest Departments and Munsiff Courts are constantly requiring innumerable forms, several thousands of each description, and to these I may add the Taluk and Village accounts, Puttahs, &c., and Process forms, and last, though not least, the death registration returns, which amount to about 80,000 in number. The contingent vouchers and receipts also, according to the recent orders, will have to be struck off at the several District Presses. The Board will then observe that with the present two small presses, the Press Department will never be able to work efficiently; I, therefore, request that I may be supplied with a Demy-sized Machine Press. If I am furnished with a Press of this description, I can easily dispense with one of those now in use, as the former will turn out ten times the amount of work that the latter will. The cost of the Machine Press can be met from the usual allowance of the next official year.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

TRICHINOPOLY, 21st July 1866.

No. 130.

From C. N. POCHIN, Esq.,
Acting Collector of TRICHINOPOLY,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to report as follows on the working of the Printing Press of this Collectorate for the year 1865-66, and to submit the statements prepared in conformity with the Board's Miscellaneous Circular, No. XLIX., dated the 22nd of May 1861.

2. The operations of the Press during the year under review have been very satisfactory. The value of work done was greater by Rupees 1,263 than in the preceding year.

	1864-65.	1865-66.
Collector's Department	3,915	5,008
Other Departments	493	631
Private parties.....	5	37
	4,413	5,676

	On full subscription.	On reduced subscription.
1864-65.....	6	154
1865-66.....	9	169
	3	15

3. There has been an increase of 18 individuals in the number of subscribers to the District Gazette. I will do my best to render this publication as attractive as possible.

4. The type and other articles indented for in the estimate from this office, No. 153, dated the 28th of July 1865, were received only on the 14th May 1866. As the actual charges incurred on their account have not as yet been made known to me, I have included in the item "Purchase of Stock," in Statement No. 2, the amount shown* in the Memorandum from the Superintendent of the Government Printing Press, annexed to the Board's Proceedings, No. 8,193, dated the 20th of December 1865.

* Rupees 597.

5. In respect to the articles sanctioned to be purchased at this station under the Board's Proceedings, No. 6,566, dated the 16th of October 1865, I observe that articles to the extent of 71 Rupees only have been obtained The remaining were not purchased, as the official year under review expired before they could be prepared.

6. Rupees 33-0-8 were paid from the Budget allotment of the year under review, in full liquidation of the charges on account of type, &c., supplied to this office—*Vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 5th June 1865, No. 2,979.

7. During the year under review the following Selections were proposed for printing, and the Board have accordingly sanctioned the same :—

1. Report by Mr. J. Wallace, relative to the district.
2. Correspondence furnishing the history relative to the Zemindaries in this district.
3. Report by Mr. G. F. Travers,
4. Do. by Mr. C. M. Lushington, } relative to the district.
5. Reports by Mr. E. Maltby, relative to accident that occurred in the Rock Fort Pagoda.
6. Do. by Messrs. Wallace and G. F. Travers, relative to the inundation of the river Cauvery.
7. Do. by Mr. J. Bird, relative to the Village Service remuneration.

8. The papers connected with the first two items have been transmitted to the Board, in view to their being printed in the Madras Collector's Office, as directed by Government in their Order, dated the 23rd November last, No. 2,884.

9. I request that I may likewise be permitted to send to Madras the correspondence relative to the items 3 to 7. I have hitherto waited in vain for an opportunity to print these papers at this office press; the establishment is so fully engaged in conducting the current duties, that I deem it altogether impossible for the present to get the work done here.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

CUDDALORE, 23rd July 1866.

No. 149.

From C. W. READE, Esq.,
Collector of SOUTH ARCOT,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the operations of this District Press during the past year 1865-66, with the usual explanatory Statements.

2. The value of work turned out from the Press during the year under report amounted to Rupees 4,692, showing a decrease, as compared with 1864-65, of Rupees 2,396. This falling off should not be looked upon as any indication of the diminished usefulness of the Press Department. The decrease is only apparent, and is the result chiefly, of the value of the work done having been more correctly calculated and entered in the Press Registers from time to time which, as the Board are aware, have been regularly kept only from the commencement of the past official year, while in previous years the same means did not exist of ascertaining the value with equal precision, as the daily transactions had not been regularly registered. It will be observed also that the circulation of the Gazette has very largely increased, a circumstance which, while adding materially to the work of the Press Department, did not proportionately enhance the value of the work, because for any number of copies above 300 and 1,000, a slight addition only has been made to the value.

3. It is satisfactory to observe that the District Gazette has obtained a wider circulation, a result due mainly to the efforts made to incite an interest in it, and to its growing importance and usefulness. Towards the end of the year, however, the number of subscribers has gradually fallen off, but during the greater portion of the year the subscribers ranged above 840.

4. The demand for the year on account of subscription to the District Gazette, and the value of work done for private individuals, was Rupees 1,304, which, with the uncollected balance of the previous year, amounted to Rupees 1,522. The collections during the year were only Rupees 404; but deducting Rupees 370 collected in advance in 1864-65, and credited in that year's account, the balance for future recovery is reduced to Rupees 748, which will be duly realized.

5. The inadequacy of Printing materials, and especially of English type, had been a serious inconvenience; but the supply recently obtained under the Board's sanction has now remedied this difficulty. But I am satisfied that another Press (Columbian) is necessary to enable the very limited establishment to get through the work expeditiously, and I propose shortly to apply for one.

6. Owing to the deficiency of Printing materials as already noticed, and to the heavy and incessant demand upon the Press for current work, it has been quite impossible during the past year to attempt any thing in the way of printing selections from the records; but, when we have another Press, every thing will be facilitated, and I hope then to be in a position to undertake this extra work, which has always been with me a desideratum.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Statement showing the operation of the Press in the District of South Arcot in each month of the year 1865-66.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

ABSTRACT.—Comparative Abstract of the value of work done in the District Press of South Arcot during 1865-66.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

MASULIPATAM, 2nd August 1866.

No. 271.

From G. THORNHILL, Esq.,
Collector of the KISTNA DISTRICT,

To W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Annual Report on the operations of the Printing Press in this District, for the official year 1865-66, together with the Statements prepared in the prescribed forms.

2. It will be observed from the Statement A. that there is an increase of Rupees 2,144-3-9 in the value of work done in the current, compared with that of the preceding year, owing to the large number of papers printed for this and other Departments.

3. The marginal Statement will show the number of Gazettes issued during the year under report, free of charge, on full, and on reduced subscription, as compared with the preceding year. From this it will be observed that there is an increase in the number of Gazettes distributed on full and reduced subscription. The necessity of taking the Gazette having been pointed out to the Heads of Villages and Curnums, during the late Jummahbundy, led to the increase.

Years	Free.	Full subscription.	Reduced subscription.
1865-66	1,578	263	4,910
1864-65	1,656	240	2,700
Increase		23	2,210
Decrease	78	..	..

4. No selections from the records were printed in the year under report, as the Press was fully occupied with the office work.

5. The amount of private work performed in the current year is Rupees 38-12-0, or Rupees 43 below that of the last year.

6. The approximate value of the stock on hand in the Press Department, will be seen from the enclosed Statement.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

No. 5,481.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 8th August 1866.

Read the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd May 1866, No. 145 :—

1. I have the honor to transmit the report of the Acting Treasury Deputy Collector on the operations of the District Press for the official year 1865-66, and submit the prescribed Statements, C. and F.

2. The Board will be pleased to observe that there has been an increase of work turned out during the year under report of Rupees 2,290 over the previous year,

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From C. S. BALIAH, Acting Deputy Collector in charge of Treasury, Nellore, tot he Collector of Nellore, dated 16th May 1866, No. 263.

1. I have the honor to submit the usual Annual Report on the working of the District Press for the year 1865-66, together with the prescribed Statements, C. and F.

2. The value of work done in the Press during the year under report is Rupees 11,109-13-1, or Rupees 2,290-8-5 in excess over the previous year, as shown below :—

	1864-65.		1865-66.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Number of papers.	Value.	Number of papers.	Value.		
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Office work	491	2,721 9 9	717	4,726 6 5	2,004 12 8	... ...
District Gazette... ...	97	4,681 14 0	114	5,059 12 3	3,077 14 3	... ...
Selections from the records	11	60 0 0	1	10 0 0	... ...	50 0 0
Judicial Department..	130	360 8 0	93	309 1 11	.. ..	51 6 1
Other Public offices...	113	912 8 2	108	952 6 2	39 14 0	... .
Private work	38	82 13 7	33	52 3 2	.. ..	30 10 5
	880	8,819 5 6	1,066	11,109 13 11	2,422 8 11	132 0 6
Deduct decrease ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	132 0 6	
Net increase ...	...	... ...	...	... .	2,290 8 5	

Public Officers..	125
Private individuals on full subscription	14
Village officers and Public servants, under 25 Rupees salary, on reduced subscription.. ..	61
Total ..	200

3. The total number of recipients of the District Gazette at the close of the year is 200, as marginally exhibited, against 196 at the close of the previous year, and the amount of subscription is Rupees 113-13-0, or Rupees 6-3-0 in excess over the previous year.

4. The demand in the year, on account of the Press, inclusive of arrears, is Rups. 188-0-6, of which, Rupees 183-10-6 have already been collected, and for the collection of the outstanding balance, viz, Rupees 4-6-0, the requisite steps have been taken.

5. Out of the Budget grant of Rupees 750, the expenditure during the year, on account of extra establishment, purchase of stock., &c., is Rupees 271-13-2, as shown in Statement No. 2, appended to this report.

6. I regret, lastly, to observe that, owing to press of work in the Press, it was not found practicable to print, for circulation among the taluks, blank forms of the specimen copies received with the Board's Memorandum, dated 19th May 1865.

7. Of late, I have however succeeded in printing copies of account current forms for taluks, and circulated them for adoption from this month. The rest of the forms will be printed shortly, and specimen copies submitted to you for transmission to the Board of Revenue.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. W. B. DYKES,
Collector.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 and 2.—Statements.

The Board do not see any reason why the Collector should not himself submit the Press Report of his District, as is done in all other Collectorates.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Nellore.

Exd. J. Wright.

1866. Department of Revenue, Settlement and Agriculture.

No. 5,481.

Dated 8th August 1866.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

No.

Requesting to know why the Collector of Nellore does not himself submit the Press Report as is done in all other Collectorates.

KURNOOL, 13th September 1866.

No. 189.

From H. E. SULLIVAN, Esq.,
Acting Collector of KURNOOL,

To. W. HUDLESTON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to forward the usual statements showing the working of the District Press for the year 1865-66,

2. The total value of public work executed during the year under review is Rupees 5,230, against Rupees 4,185 value of work turned out last year. Value of private work Rupees 171, against Rupees 90 earned last year.

3. As a new Columbian Press has been set up since the date of the last report, it might appear at first sight that the outturn of work has not increased so much as it might have done, but the Gazette work is much heavier than it used to be, and owing to the sickness of the Foreman, business has been slightly retarded.

4. The arrears of subscription to the Gazette are comparatively trifling when compared with past years, and the Tahsildars have been strictly enjoined to collect them as they fall due. The arrears for private work at the end of the year have since been collected, and none is now executed unless paid for in advance.

5. The press at present works under great disadvantages owing to the want of a proper printing office. Types, compositors' desks, and presses have no better accommodation than a verandah screened by bamboo mats; but in the new Cutcherry, which it is proposed to build, and for which Government have ordered plans and estimates to be submitted, ample provision has been made for the proper accommodation of this important department of the office.

Exd. T. Cartledge

Revenue Department

No 946

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 27th January 1867.

Read the following

Proceedings of the Board

of Revenue.

Submitting Annual Report on the operations of the District Presses during 1865/66.

(Here enter 12th December 1866 No 4880)

In these Proceedings the Board of Revenue report on the operations of the Collectorate Presses during the year 1865/66. Both the number of papers printed and the value of work done show an increase above the results of 1864/65. The value of work done which was only Rs 28,186 in 1857/58 has risen steadily

	1864/65	1865/66
Number of papers printed	12,216	14,493
Value of work	Rs 1,32,444	1,48,604

year

year by year to Rs. 148,604 in 1865/66.

2. The total charges of the year amounted to Rs. 52,170 and deducting this sum from the total value of work done, the result was a net profit to Government of Rs. 96,434. The Board remark that taking the actual transactions into account instead of including in the assets the nominal value of the large amount of work done for the Revenue Department, there still remained a clear profit of Rs. 25,273.

The circulation of the District Gazettes has risen from 6643 in 1864/65 to 9034 in 1865/66. The backwardness of the District of Nellore in this respect is discouraging. No attempt seems to have been made on any part of the Presidency to render the contents of these publications more interesting, and the Board of Revenue are requested to consider the suggestion on

on this point made in the G. O. on the last report, and to devise means for making the Gazettes "disseminate useful information" to a greater extent than they do at present. The Government are concerned to learn that very few of the Collectors have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded by their presses of placing the valuable information which may be found in their records before the public in a convenient form.

Nellore,
Madura,
Salem.

Selections were made during the year are those noted in the margin. The Govt trust that the Report will show that the District officers are taking a greater interest in the work. The alleged want of type and other Press material cannot be admitted as an excuse, because the Govt are prepared to sanction all reasonable proposals for additions to the present stock. The Govt have directed that all private work should be paid for on delivery, but there was a balance on this account of Rd 811, more than half of which the Board state appertain

to the Kistna district—
The Board will call on
upon the Collr of that Dt
as well as the Collectors
of other Districts where
similar balances appear
for explanation as to
their grounds for not
conforming to the rule:—
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Processes into operation
in simplifying and sup=
=plying forms of accounts.

The Govt trust
that the remarks made
in para 8 G.O. 28th Novr
1866 No 2908 with respect
to Press Registers, will
be sufficient to ensure
proper attention to them
in the current year.—

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Criminal cases thoroughly by
the Collrs and Asst to Dt Magistrates
Civil Courts & Revising the Registers

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Reports on the operations of the Coast Districts Presses during the year 1865/66 reviewed.

Accounts of Printing Presses