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## SEASON REPORT FOR MAY 1897.

**SECTION I.**—Statement showing the average fall of rain in each district during the month of May 1897 and also the total fall from 1st April 1897 up to the month, compared with the corresponding figures of the preceding year and with the averages of the 25 years ending 1894-95.

| Districts.       |               | AVERAGE RAINFALL<br>FORTY-TWO-FIVE YEARS<br>ENDING 1894-95. |                                 | 1896-97.              |           |                                 | 1897-98.              |           |                                 |
|------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
|                  |               | In the month.                                               | From 1st April up to the month. | In the month.         |           | From 1st April up to the month. | In the month.         |           | From 1st April up to the month. |
|                  |               |                                                             |                                 | Number of rainy days. | Rainfall. |                                 | Number of rainy days. | Rainfall. |                                 |
| 1                |               | 2                                                           | 3                               | 4                     | 5         | 6                               | 7                     | 8         | 9                               |
|                  |               | INCHES.                                                     | INCHES.                         |                       | INCHES.   | INCHES.                         |                       | INCHES.   | INCHES.                         |
| 1. Ganjam        | .. ..         | 2.59                                                        | 3.44                            | 4                     | 1.88      | 2.76                            | 3                     | 1.30      | 2.02                            |
| 2. Vizagapatam   | { Littoral .. | 2.73                                                        | 3.52                            | 4                     | 2.20      | 2.73                            | 5                     | 3.42      | 4.05                            |
|                  | { Agency ..   | 3.32                                                        | 4.83                            | 4                     | 2.38      | 3.60                            | 5                     | 2.36      | 4.06                            |
| 3. Gódvári       | .. ..         | 1.75                                                        | 2.09                            | 1                     | 0.81      | 0.92                            | 5                     | 2.88      | 3.25                            |
| 4. Kistna        | .. ..         | 1.52                                                        | 1.80                            | 1                     | 0.69      | 0.77                            | 2                     | 1.54      | 1.88                            |
| 5. Kurnool       | .. ..         | 1.38                                                        | 1.79                            | 2                     | 1.07      | 1.52                            | 3                     | 1.53      | 2.09                            |
| 6. Bellary       | .. ..         | 1.92                                                        | 2.51                            | 4                     | 2.06      | 2.20                            | 4                     | 1.88      | 2.86                            |
| 7. Anantapur     | .. ..         | 2.19                                                        | 2.72                            | 4                     | 2.49      | 2.75                            | 2                     | 1.25      | 1.64                            |
| 8. Cuddapah      | .. ..         | 1.86                                                        | 2.24                            | 3                     | 1.67      | 1.90                            | 2                     | 1.17      | 1.17                            |
| 9. Nellore       | .. ..         | 1.39                                                        | 1.61                            | 1                     | 0.70      | 0.84                            | 2                     | 1.42      | 1.43                            |
| 10. Madras       | .. ..         | 2.11                                                        | 2.73                            | ..                    | ..        | ..                              | 1                     | 0.18      | 0.25                            |
| 11. Chingleput   | .. ..         | 2.03                                                        | 2.38                            | 1                     | 0.16      | 0.16                            | 1                     | 0.84      | 1.00                            |
| 12. South Arcot  | .. ..         | 2.51                                                        | 3.12                            | 2                     | 0.84      | 0.84                            | 3                     | 1.87      | 2.28                            |
| 13. North Arcot  | .. ..         | 2.83                                                        | 3.31                            | 4                     | 2.21      | 2.21                            | 3                     | 1.88      | 2.09                            |
| 14. Salem        | .. ..         | 4.09                                                        | 5.18                            | 5                     | 2.91      | 2.93                            | 8                     | 4.75      | 5.19                            |
| 15. Coimbatore   | .. ..         | 3.38                                                        | 5.20                            | 5                     | 2.52      | 2.78                            | 7                     | 4.42      | 5.80                            |
| 16. Trichinopoly | .. ..         | 3.16                                                        | 4.41                            | 5                     | 2.77      | 2.82                            | 4                     | 4.46      | 5.26                            |
| 17. Tanjore      | .. ..         | 2.28                                                        | 3.15                            | 1                     | 0.66      | 0.76                            | 2                     | 1.56      | 2.54                            |
| 18. Madura       | .. ..         | 2.23                                                        | 4.10                            | 4                     | 2.21      | 2.62                            | 3                     | 2.03      | 4.95                            |
| 19. Tinnevely    | .. ..         | 1.62                                                        | 3.42                            | 3                     | 1.71      | 2.25                            | 1                     | 0.77      | 5.41                            |
| 20. Nilgiris     | .. ..         | 5.47                                                        | 8.88                            | 5                     | 2.69      | 3.52                            | 9                     | 5.20      | 9.51                            |
| 21. Malabar      | .. ..         | 8.49                                                        | 11.78                           | 9                     | 7.49      | 10.01                           | 7                     | 6.16      | 10.10                           |
| 22. South Canara | .. ..         | 6.80                                                        | 8.28                            | 7                     | 5.78      | 7.81                            | 5                     | 3.76      | 5.61                            |

\* Average of 80 years ending 1892.

*River freshes.*—The Gódvári 5·5 feet over the upper sill of Dowleishwaram lock and the Kistna 3·1 feet below the anicut. Fair in Tanjore. Slight in Ganjám, Bellary, Anantapur, Cuddapah, Nellore, South Arcot, North Arcot, Salem and Coimbatore. *Nil* elsewhere.

*Supply to tanks.*—Fair in parts of Coimbatore. Sufficient in Tanjore. Insufficient or slight in the Circars, Bellary, Anantapur, Nellore, South Arcot, North Arcot and Trichinopoly. Nil elsewhere.

SECTION II.—Statement showing the extent of cultivation (Government and Minor Inam) for the month of May 1897.

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**Section II.—Statement showing the extent of cultivation (Government and Minor Inam) for the month of May 1897—cont.**

| Districts.                                   | IN THE MONTH. |        |      |              |      |      | UP TO THE MONTH. |        |      |              |      |      | UP TO THE MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR. |      |      |              |      |      | AVERAGE OF THE FIVE PREVIOUS YEARS INCLUDING LAST YEAR FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD. |      |      |              |      |      |      |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------|--------|------|--------------|------|------|------------------|--------|------|--------------|------|------|---------------------------------------|------|------|--------------|------|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|--------------|------|------|------|
|                                              | First crop.   |        |      | Second crop. |      |      | First crop.      |        |      | Second crop. |      |      | First crop.                           |      |      | Second crop. |      |      | First crop.                                                                          |      |      | Second crop. |      |      |      |
|                                              | Dry.          | Wet.   |      | Dry.         | Wet. |      | Dry.             | Wet.   |      | Dry.         | Wet. |      | Dry.                                  | Wet. |      | Dry.         | Wet. |      | Dry.                                                                                 | Wet. |      | Dry.         | Wet. |      |      |
|                                              |               | ACS.   | ACS. |              | ACS. | ACS. |                  | ACS.   | ACS. |              | ACS. | ACS. |                                       | ACS. | ACS. |              | ACS. | ACS. |                                                                                      | ACS. | ACS. |              | ACS. | ACS. | ACS. |
| Mellore .. { Government .. { Inam .. ..      | 1,386         | 3,732  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 2,333            | 5,577  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 399           | 694    | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 484              | 968    | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 1,985         | 4,426  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 2,817            | 6,545  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| Chingleput .. { Government .. { Inam .. ..   | 1,628         | 9,085  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 2,247            | 13,618 | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 44            | 1,292  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 156              | 1,891  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 1,672         | 10,377 | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 2,402            | 15,409 | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| South Arcot .. { Government .. { Inam .. ..  | 13,955        | 9,582  | ..   | 124          | ..   | ..   | 17,390           | 12,882 | ..   | 192          | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 555           | 495    | ..   | 10           | ..   | ..   | 687              | 668    | ..   | 10           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 14,510        | 10,077 | ..   | 134          | ..   | ..   | 18,077           | 13,550 | ..   | 202          | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| North Arcot .. { Government .. { Inam .. ..  | 6,982         | 5,760  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 7,837            | 6,769  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 422           | 887    | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 464              | 1,002  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 7,384         | 6,647  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 8,301            | 7,761  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| Salem .. { Government .. { Inam .. ..        | 71,111        | 10,346 | ..   | 25           | ..   | ..   | 79,977           | 13,701 | ..   | 27           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 2,371         | 428    | ..   | 1            | ..   | ..   | 2,559            | 528    | ..   | 1            | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 73,482        | 10,674 | ..   | 26           | ..   | ..   | 82,536           | 14,229 | ..   | 28           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| Coimbatore .. { Government .. { Inam .. ..   | 146,361       | 2,329  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | 187,447          | 5,293  | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 17,569        | 235    | ..   | 2            | ..   | ..   | 22,124           | 608    | ..   | 2            | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 163,930       | 2,564  | ..   | 2            | ..   | ..   | 209,571          | 5,901  | ..   | 2            | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| Trichinopoly .. { Government .. { Inam .. .. | 342           | 763    | ..   | 27           | ..   | ..   | 588              | 1,669  | ..   | 41           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 46            | 19     | ..   | 30           | ..   | ..   | 59               | 47     | ..   | 30           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 388           | 782    | ..   | 57           | ..   | ..   | 647              | 1,716  | ..   | 71           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| Tanjore .. { Government .. { Inam .. ..      | 818           | 983    | ..   | 44           | ..   | ..   | 1,163            | 1,732  | ..   | 306          | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 21            | 6      | ..   | 25           | ..   | ..   | 27               | 11     | ..   | 37           | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
|                                              | 839           | 989    | ..   | 69           | ..   | ..   | 1,180            | 1,743  | ..   | 343          | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |
| Total ..                                     | 839           | 989    | ..   | 69           | ..   | ..   | 1,180            | 1,743  | ..   | 343          | ..   | ..   | ..                                    | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ..   | ..   | ..           | ..   | ..   | ..   |

Section II.—Statement showing the extent of cultivation (Government and Minor Inam) for the month of May 1897—*cont.*

| Districts.     | IN THE MONTH. |         |              |      | UP TO THE MONTH. |      |              |         | UP TO THE MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR. |       |              |      | AVERAGE OF THE FIVE PREVIOUS YEARS INCLUDING LAST YEAR FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD. |      |              |      |
|----------------|---------------|---------|--------------|------|------------------|------|--------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-------|--------------|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--------------|------|
|                | First crop.   |         | Second crop. |      | First crop.      |      | Second crop. |         | First crop.                           |       | Second crop. |      | First crop.                                                                          |      | Second crop. |      |
|                | Dry.          | Wet.    | Dry.         | Wet. | Dry.             | Wet. | Dry.         | Wet.    | Dry.                                  | Wet.  | Dry.         | Wet. | Dry.                                                                                 | Wet. | Dry.         | Wet. |
| Madura         | Govt ..       | 6,930   | 7,737        | 3    | 26               | ACR. | 10,663       | 17,834  | 4                                     | 222   | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Inam ..       | 279     | 406          | ..   | ..               | ACR. | 633          | 973     | ..                                    | 2     | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Total ..      | 7,209   | 8,142        | 3    | 26               | ACR. | 11,196       | 18,807  | 4                                     | 224   | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
| Tinnevely      | Govt ..       | 12,498  | 14,112       | 2    | 9                | ACR. | 21,194       | 28,459  | 2                                     | 9     | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Inam ..       | 246     | 634          | ..   | ..               | ACR. | 393          | 1,060   | ..                                    | ..    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Total ..      | 12,744  | 14,746       | 2    | 9                | ACR. | 21,687       | 29,519  | 2                                     | 9     | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
| Nilgiris       | Govt ..       | 2,709   | 1,010        | ..   | ..               | ACR. | 2,721        | 1,730   | ..                                    | ..    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Govt ..       | 65,731  | 108,154      | 655  | 21               | ACR. | 90,217       | 171,359 | 1,190                                 | 26    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Inam ..       | 183     | 1,442        | ..   | ..               | ACR. | 189          | 2,031   | ..                                    | ..    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
| Malabar        | Govt ..       | 65,914  | 109,596      | 655  | 21               | ACR. | 90,406       | 173,390 | 1,190                                 | 26    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Govt ..       | 1,460   | 4,998        | ..   | ..               | ACR. | 10,787       | 19,878  | ..                                    | ..    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Inam ..       | 115     | 45           | ..   | ..               | ACR. | 355          | 190     | ..                                    | ..    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
| South Canara.  | Govt ..       | 1,676   | 5,043        | ..   | ..               | ACR. | 11,142       | 20,068  | ..                                    | ..    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Govt ..       | 845,263 | 185,818      | 880  | 527              | ACR. | 450,199      | 312,912 | 1,773                                 | 2,044 | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Inam ..       | 25,616  | 9,066        | 68   | 50               | ACR. | 32,077       | 14,243  | 82                                    | 111   | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
| Grand Total .. | Govt ..       | 370,879 | 194,884      | 948  | 577              | ACR. | 482,276      | 327,155 | 1,865                                 | 2,155 | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Govt ..       | ..      | ..           | ..   | ..               | ACR. | ..           | ..      | ..                                    | ..    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |
|                | Total ..      | ..      | ..           | ..   | ..               | ACR. | ..           | ..      | ..                                    | ..    | ACR.         | ..   | ..                                                                                   | ACR. | ..           | ..   |

## SECTION III.—Statement showing the average prices of the principal food-grains and salt for the month of May 1897.

| NUMBER OF SEERS OF 80 TOLAS PER RUPEE. |                        |               |                                                                     |                        |               |                                                                     |                        |               |                                                                     |                        |               |                                                                     |                        |                                                                     |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Districts.                             | Second-sort rice.      |               |                                                                     | Cholam.                |               |                                                                     | Cumbu.                 |               |                                                                     | Ragi.                  |               |                                                                     | Salt.                  |                                                                     |
|                                        | In the previous month. | In the month. | In the corresponding month of ten normal years previous to 1895-96. | In the previous month. | In the month. | In the corresponding month of ten normal years previous to 1895-96. | In the previous month. | In the month. | In the corresponding month of ten normal years previous to 1895-96. | In the previous month. | In the month. | In the corresponding month of ten normal years previous to 1895-96. | In the previous month. | In the corresponding month of ten normal years previous to 1895-96. |
| Circars.                               | 11-0                   | 10-7          | 17-7                                                                | ..                     | ..            | ..                                                                  | 17-0                   | 15-6          | 28-7                                                                | 15-3                   | 16-7          | 13-3                                                                | 11-8                   | 13-1                                                                |
|                                        | 9-9                    | 9-6           | 15-3                                                                | ..                     | ..            | ..                                                                  | 15-0                   | 16-7          | 26-8                                                                | 14-7                   | 14-1          | 14-8                                                                | 12-2                   | 13-1                                                                |
|                                        | 10-2                   | 9-9           | 16-4                                                                | 16-7                   | 14-9          | 27-0                                                                | 12-9                   | 13-0          | 22-2                                                                | 16-7                   | 16-1          | 14-1                                                                | 11-4                   | 11-5                                                                |
|                                        | 10-5                   | 10-0          | 14-7                                                                | 14-2                   | 14-2          | 22-8                                                                | 12-2                   | 12-2          | 23-9                                                                | 16-1                   | 15-4          | 15-4                                                                | 12-4                   | 12-7                                                                |
|                                        | 9-3                    | 9-0           | 13-0                                                                | 13-2                   | 12-9          | 27-9                                                                | 12-2                   | 12-2          | 23-9                                                                | 16-1                   | 15-4          | 15-4                                                                | 11-7                   | 12-1                                                                |
| Decan.                                 | 8-9                    | 8-8           | 12-4                                                                | 12-1                   | 12-0          | 28-4                                                                | ..                     | ..            | ..                                                                  | 14-6                   | 14-9          | 14-9                                                                | 11-4                   | 11-7                                                                |
|                                        | 9-5                    | 9-4           | 14-1                                                                | 13-9                   | 13-5          | 30-9                                                                | 14-1                   | 14-1          | 26-5                                                                | 17-4                   | 17-0          | 17-0                                                                | 12-0                   | 11-8                                                                |
|                                        | 8-9                    | 8-8           | 14-1                                                                | 14-3                   | 14-1          | 28-8                                                                | 13-0                   | 12-7          | 28-5                                                                | 17-7                   | 17-7          | 17-7                                                                | 12-2                   | 12-4                                                                |
|                                        | 10-4                   | 10-3          | 12-6                                                                | 15-5                   | 15-3          | 24-8                                                                | 13-0                   | 12-8          | 22-4                                                                | 17-6                   | 17-0          | 17-0                                                                | 12-7                   | 13-2                                                                |
|                                        | 10-5                   | 10-3          | 12-5                                                                | 12-8                   | 11-0          | 20-5                                                                | ..                     | ..            | ..                                                                  | 16-4                   | 16-4          | 16-4                                                                | 12-3                   | 13-4                                                                |
| Carnatic.                              | 12-0                   | 11-4          | 15-8                                                                | ..                     | ..            | 20-0                                                                | ..                     | ..            | 19-4                                                                | 16-3                   | 16-5          | 16-5                                                                | 12-0                   | 12-5                                                                |
|                                        | 13-3                   | 12-3          | 16-2                                                                | ..                     | ..            | 20-0                                                                | 20-3                   | 19-1          | 28-0                                                                | 20-6                   | 19-6          | 19-6                                                                | 12-7                   | 12-6                                                                |
|                                        | 11-2                   | 11-0          | 15-2                                                                | 16-1                   | 16-2          | 26-1                                                                | 16-5                   | 16-2          | 25-3                                                                | 18-2                   | 18-2          | 18-2                                                                | 12-6                   | 12-6                                                                |
|                                        | 11-3                   | 10-8          | 14-1                                                                | 17-1                   | 17-3          | 25-3                                                                | 18-5                   | 17-7          | 24-5                                                                | 21-4                   | 20-6          | 20-6                                                                | 13-3                   | 13-6                                                                |
|                                        | 11-1                   | 10-7          | 13-1                                                                | 16-5                   | 16-4          | 22-5                                                                | 19-8                   | 18-7          | 25-3                                                                | 20-3                   | 20-0          | 20-0                                                                | 12-1                   | 12-2                                                                |
| Central.                               | 11-7                   | 11-1          | 14-5                                                                | 18-6                   | 16-8          | 35-8                                                                | 22-8                   | 20-0          | 25-3                                                                | 22-7                   | 20-7          | 20-7                                                                | 12-4                   | 12-7                                                                |
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## CONDITION OF THE MARKET.

Compared with the previous month, the price of *rice, second sort*, rose throughout the Presidency, and was especially marked in Ganjam, Kistna, Chingleput, South Arcot, Salem, Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Madura, Tinnevely and Malabar. There was, with the exception of few districts, a general rise in the price of the *staple dry food-grains* also, most marked in the case of cholam in Gódvári, Kistna, Trichinopoly and Tinnevely; in the case of cumbu in Vizagapatam, South Arcot, Salem, Coimbatore, Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Madura and Tinnevely; and in the case of ragi in Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Gódvári, Kistna, Kurnool, Nellore, South Arcot, Salem, Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Madura, Tinnevely and the Nilgiris. The price of *salt* was generally stationary.

Compared with the averages of ten normal years previous to 1895-96, the prices of all the grains continued high throughout the Presidency. The price of dry grains was, as a rule, in the northern half of the Presidency, nearly twice the normal.

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