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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
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SEASON REPORT FOR AUGUST 1898.

SECTION I.—Statement showing the average fall of rain in each District during the month of August 1898 and also the total fall from 1st April 1898 up to the month, compared with the corresponding figures of the preceding year and with the averages of the twenty-five years ending 1894-95.

Districts.	AVERAGE RAINFALL FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS ENDING 1894-95.		1897-98.			1898-99.		
	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.
Circars—								
1. Ganjam ..	7.57	23.48	15	9.76	23.63	11	5.62	27.69
2. Vizagapatam [Littoral ..	6.31	19.80	11	7.45	20.12	5	3.28	19.86
Agency ..	12.47	39.20	20	14.44	35.31	18	9.59	37.67
3. Godavari ..	5.85	18.89	16	10.78	22.77	8	4.84	22.15
4. Kistna ..	6.71	16.44	11	7.97	17.44	6	3.86	15.86
Dacca—								
5. Kumool ..	5.31	14.63	7	4.45	13.20	6	2.12	11.82
6. Bellary ..	3.65	11.41	5	3.05	12.39	5	1.78	10.22
7. Anantapur ..	3.62	11.09	6	3.65	10.30	8	1.09	6.38
8. Chidlapah ..	4.45	12.12	8	6.06	12.04	4	2.64	8.41
Carnatic—								
9. Nellore ..	3.16	8.90	7	5.02	10.47	4	1.60	6.78
10. Madras * ..	4.66	13.27	11	7.83	13.66	9	7.15	13.29
11. Chingleput ..	5.24	13.93	10	6.80	12.35	8	4.86	11.75
12. South Arcot ..	5.59	13.84	12	9.33	16.27	9	6.01	12.50
Central—								
13. North Arcot ..	5.22	14.72	10	7.59	14.60	7	4.88	11.88
14. Salem ..	4.65	14.47	9	6.99	16.18	5	3.05	11.45
15. Coimbatore ..	2.29	10.63	6	4.36	13.05	3	1.04	8.91
16. Trichinopoly ..	4.21	12.04	8	6.35	13.81	6	4.70	10.76
South—								
17. Tanjore ..	4.43	11.68	8	5.46	10.06	6	5.05	10.16
18. Madura ..	2.54	9.15	7	3.67	9.90	3	1.51	8.36
19. Tinnevely ..	0.86	5.70	3	1.72	9.47	1	0.34	4.29
West Coast—								
20. Malabar ..	16.04	89.35	23	32.23	126.83	14	6.40	79.53
21. South Canara ..	26.87	116.37	29	36.22	150.79	22	18.54	117.81
Hills—								
22. Nilgiris ..	7.05	32.72	17	18.05	52.76	10	5.57	33.92

* Average of 80 years ending 1892.

Note.—Up to nearly the end of the month, the rainfall was very scanty in many of the Dacca, Carnatic and Central districts.

River Freshes.—The Godavari rose to 2.6 feet over the crest of the anikat; freshes were fair in Tanjore, but in Trichinopoly the Cauvery and the Coleroon were more than usually low. Frequent freshes occurred in the rivers in parts of Vizagapatam. Moderate freshes in parts of South Arcot. Scanty or none elsewhere.

Supply to Tanks.—Good in parts of Vizagapatam, and moderate in Ganjam and Godavari. Small or none elsewhere.

SECTION II.—Statement showing the extent of cultivation

Districts.	IN THE MONTH.				UP TO THE MONTH.			
	First crop.		Second crop.		First crop.		Second crop.	
	Dry.	Wet.	Dry.	Wet.	Dry.	Wet.	Dry.	Wet.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Circular—								
Channarayana	51,782	76,045	129	691	128,884	101,522	141	752
Vizagapatnam	13,719	28,682	418	6,511	76,486	55,687	775	6,643
Godavari	57,669	214,542	1,388	276	254,292	491,548	3,037	383
Kistna	337,062	243,122	3,539	4	773,936	304,650	3,624	22
Total	490,182	562,391	5,504	7,482	1,228,597	953,302	7,577	7,800
Deccan—								
Kurnool	470,930	15,725	4	5	747,826	23,527	4	5
Bellary	465,541	14,150	10	75	745,529	24,163	85	75
Anantapur	137,048	20,484	21	11	341,464	30,909	21	11
Cuddapah	153,647	20,475	140	74	284,770	47,109	213	93
Total	1,276,266	70,870	181	165	2,119,595	132,098	323	184
Carnatic—								
Nellore	87,668	11,852	432	255	173,685	24,228	955	312
Chingleput	32,815	54,048	72	519	105,828	101,923	100	990
South Arcot	208,018	45,245	1,225	370	432,745	105,711	1,795	640
Total	328,501	111,745	1,729	1,150	712,258	231,862	2,850	1,951
Central—								
North Arcot	80,053	26,116	330	358	261,213	83,311	370	399
Salem	116,133	4,899	794	457	437,765	61,552	1,219	792
Coimbatore	137,951	19,523	5,947	514	724,013	66,818	7,499	571
Trichinopoly	62,112	21,273	216	1,125	142,036	58,000	1,932	6,049
Total	405,249	71,811	7,287	2,454	1,585,027	249,771	10,990	7,802
South—								
Tanjore	42,942	110,058	197	239	103,351	166,133	221	308
Madurai	40,288	5,341	941	102	130,768	58,188	1,175	224
Tinnevely	14,147	6,034	125	228	124,038	93,404	154	703
Total	97,377	127,433	1,263	629	358,097	312,725	1,550	1,235
West Coast—								
Malabar	23,109	24,223	1,581	10,265	482,079	406,443	6,189	10,300
South Canara	8,765	13,331	..	..	136,214	268,054	..	..
Total	37,874	37,554	1,581	10,265	620,293	674,497	6,189	10,300
Hills—								
Nilgiris	4,542	1,026	..	..	65,130	4,447	..	..
Grand Total	2,639,991	982,830	17,545	22,145	6,668,997	2,568,707	29,479	29,272

(Government and Minor Inam) for the month of August 1898.

UP TO THE MONTH IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.				AVERAGE OF THE FIVE PREVIOUS YEARS INCLUDING LAST YEAR FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD.			
First crop.		Second crop.		First crop.		Second crop.	
Dry.	Wet.	Dry.	Wet.	Dry.	Wet.	Dry.	Wet.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.
129,671	127,688	156	1,024	120,918	114,139	178	1,069
73,499	43,474	713	5,295	71,309	43,544	868	4,525
240,408	423,797	4,598	1,174	234,250	439,589	2,176	763
695,004	273,125	737	27	700,371	212,993	652	14
1,138,642	870,084	6,202	7,620	1,126,848	810,255	3,864	6,370
530,676	15,942	7	4	655,851	18,633	9	3
759,613	29,856	7	136	738,501	25,935	32	153
459,759	40,753	41	26	615,406	42,562	13	14
330,508	63,846	214	233	432,807	61,664	197	248
2,079,556	134,402	269	399	2,462,564	148,795	251	388
204,825	53,404	341	401	207,334	54,646	304	241
72,979	75,280	107	889	82,103	82,086	101	734
434,828	91,384	1,822	659	432,589	92,614	2,040	597
712,632	220,158	2,270	1,949	722,025	229,346	2,505	1,572
267,669	87,002	389	336	299,283	97,997	315	305
659,012	64,900	3,024	891	653,598	52,510	5,305	1,989
799,042	53,045	6,027	411	908,269	52,611	8,743	331
121,951	46,339	1,035	6,644	159,971	61,870	983	5,863
1,838,674	241,286	10,375	8,312	2,021,031	254,091	15,846	7,678
96,304	160,244	210	149	98,755	157,616	303	348
147,113	55,593	853	239	174,579	53,965	1,077	379
127,641	108,267	191	1,850	112,549	94,587	246	1,161
371,058	324,804	1,354	2,238	385,883	305,268	1,626	1,885
462,524	410,128	3,912	7,845	475,281	388,112	6,431	9,913
134,049	249,100	..	..	131,829	250,110	..	..
596,573	659,228	3,912	7,845	607,110	638,231	5,431	9,913
63,099	4,653	..	..	63,700	4,460	..	..
6,800,284	2,454,615	24,282	28,263	7,389,181	2,390,486	29,523	27,806

SECTION III.—Statement showing the average prices of the Principal Food Grains and Salt for the month of August 1898.

Group.	Districts.	NUMBER OF SEERS OF 80 TOLAS PER RUPEE.					
		Second-sort rice.			Cholam.		
		Pre-vious month.	Current month.	Corre-sponding month.*	Pre-vious month.	Current month.	Corre-sponding month.*
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1. Circars	Ganjām	12.7	12.5	16.5	..	..	..
	Vizagapatam	12.1	11.7	13.9	..	..	..
	Gōdāvari	10.8	10.9	15.0	17.4	17.5	25.8
	Kistna	10.5	10.7	14.4	15.1	15.3	22.9
2. Deccan	Kurnool	9.9	9.8	12.8	19.9	19.6	27.9
	Bellary	9.3	9.4	12.7	19.6	20.0	26.5
	Anantapur	10.3	10.3	14.5	18.3	18.1	29.9
	Cuddapah	10.1	9.8	14.5	17.4	16.8	28.0
3. Carnatic	Nellore	9.4	9.4	14.3	14.0	13.8	24.2
	Madras	9.0	9.1	12.5	13.0	13.0	20.5
	Chingleput	9.2	9.1	14.5	..	..	..
	South Arcot	9.6	9.6	14.8	..	..	..
4. Central	North Arcot	10.0	10.1	15.0	15.0	17.3	27.3
	Salem	9.4	9.3	13.6	14.5	14.0	26.1
	Coimbatore	9.6	9.3	13.2	15.0	14.7	21.9
	Trichinopoly	9.3	8.8	13.8	13.3	13.6	31.2
5. South	Tanjore	10.0	9.7	14.2	..	..	..
	Madura	9.7	9.7	14.1	15.1	14.9	29.2
	Tinnevely	9.6	9.5	13.1	15.0	14.6	24.0
	Malabar	9.5	9.6	12.9	..	..	..
6. West Coast	South Canara	10.7	10.5	13.4	..	..	..
	The Nilgiris	7.6	7.6	10.8	..	..	..

Group.	Districts.	NUMBER OF SEERS OF 80 TOLAS PER RUPEE—cont.								
		Cumbu.			Ragi.			Salt.		
		Previous month.	Current month.	Corre-sponding month.*	Previous month.	Current month.	Corre-sponding month.*	Previous month.	Current month.	Corre-sponding month.†
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1. Circars	Ganjām	19.9	21.3	26.7	14.5	15.6	25.3	11.5	11.6	13.4
	Vizagapatam	20.9	21.7	25.3	18.2	20.8	26.2	12.0	12.0	13.7
	Gōdāvari	13.4	14.4	21.6	16.6	16.9	27.4	11.5	11.5	12.3
	Kistna	14.8	15.1	23.0	18.1	18.4	28.4	12.3	12.2	13.3
2. Deccan	Kurnool	16.5	17.3	27.8	16.5	17.3	27.8	11.9	12.0	12.3
	Bellary	18.9	18.9	26.2	21.2	21.4	34.0	12.3	12.3	12.1
	Anantapur	14.8	14.1	27.3	19.0	18.1	32.6	11.9	12.0	12.5
	Cuddapah	13.0	13.0	21.9	15.4	15.0	31.4	12.3	12.3	13.2
3. Carnatic	Nellore	..	..	..	15.1	15.2	27.7	12.6	12.6	13.7
	Madras	..	..	..	14.2	14.0	24.6	12.3	12.3	14.1
	Chingleput	14.6	14.7	25.8	14.2	14.0	25.1	12.0	12.0	13.2
	South Arcot	14.6	14.8	25.3	10.8	16.4	29.7	13.1	13.1	13.8
4. Central	North Arcot	15.0	14.5	25.5	16.7	16.1	30.0	13.5	13.5	14.4
	Salem	17.1	16.6	25.3	17.5	17.2	26.9	12.3	12.3	12.7
	Coimbatore	14.2	13.5	23.7	14.5	13.4	25.9	12.6	12.6	13.4
	Trichinopoly	14.2	12.7	22.6	14.2	13.9	25.5	13.5	13.5	13.8
5. South	Tanjore	15.8	15.0	26.4	14.7	14.7	27.7	12.8	12.8	14.1
	Madura	12.8	..	..	14.3	14.3	24.0	13.5	13.5	14.8
	Tinnevely	..	..	..	20.2	20.2	24.0	11.2	11.3	12.0
	Malabar	..	..	..	14.7	14.4	20.6	10.6	10.6	10.9
6. West Coast	South Canara	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	The Nilgiris	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

* Of ten normal years previous to 1895-96.

† Of the five years ending 1889-90.

CONDITION OF THE MARKET.

Compared with the previous month, the price of rice rose slightly in Vizagapatam, Cuddapah, Coimbatore, Trichinopoly and Tanjore, and that of the staple dry food-grains in Anantapur, Cuddapah, Nellore and parts of the Central and Southern Districts. Prices continued to be very much dearer than the average for ten normal years previous to 1895-96; and ragi sold at or dearer than the scarcity rates in South Arcot, Trichinopoly and Tanjore. The price of salt was stationary.

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The statements read above, showing the rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and of salt in the several Districts of the Presidency during August 1898, will be published.

(True Extract.)

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