9. Under these circumstances it became necessary to assist the Ryots as far as possible, and remissions were accordingly granted as particularized below:—

Total	Poloor	Wandivash	Vellore	Arcot	larized below:— Taluks.
25,368	2,677	13,805	2,613	6,271	Punjah Waste.
3 9	9 1	12 10	8 6	or	T unjun (1 disco.
65,244 14	12,324 11	15,148 9	11,348 0	26,423 9	Nunjah Waste.
8 1	0	6	10	ట	
6,956	2,779	4,714	4,504]	4,958	Chicked Pooldi, Stalacum and Boganusty, &c.
13	1	6	12 11	00	
1,07,569 15	3 17,781	9 33,668	1 18,466	2 37,653	Total of Columns 2, 3 and 4.
15 6	5 5	13 1	6 3	6 9	93.
6 35, 972	5,543	6,449	6,373	17,605	Shavi.
11 8	12 0	14 4	8	8 7	
11 5 1,43,542 10 11 86,880	23,325 1	40,118 11	6 24,839 14	55,258 15	Total of Columns 5 and 6.
86,880 5 1	5 15,158 5 7	5 26,001 1 11	9 15,774 0 4	4 29,946 13 3	Waste remitted.
32,195 14	4,873 14 11	5,275 13 4	5,718 3 3	16,327 15 0	Shavi remitted.
1,19,076 3 7	2,003 4 6	31,276 15 3	21,492 3 7	46,274 12 3	Total of Columns 8 and 9.
61,19,076 3 7 20,689 10 5	2,622 15 10	7,667 11 2	2,692 5 11	7,706 9 6	Waste charged.
3,776 12 1	669 13	1,174 1	655 5	1,277 9	Shavi charged.
3,776 12 11 24,466 7 4	3,292 12 11	0 8,841 12 2	3 3,347 11 2	7 8,984 3 1	Total of Columns 11 and 12

- 10. Notwithstanding the great relief afforded by this large remission, which was Rupees 2,996 above that of Fasli 1270, the Ryots are said still to suffer, and to be unable easily to pay the arrears of revenue due by them. Their inability has been further increased by the failure in particular of the Cumboo and Gingely seed crops in the current Fasli.
- 11. Sanitary State.—The sanitary condition of the Sub-division was generally good. No fever, ague, or small-pox prevailed to any extent worthy to be noticed, but cholera appeared in a few villages in all the four Taluks, and caused 553 deaths.
- 12. Although no particular disease appeared among the cattle, yet 1,535 are reported to have died.
- 13. PRICES OF GRAIN.—The increase and decrease in the prices of paddy and other grains are given below as compared with the last Fasli. Deficient produce and its insufficiency in numerous instances for the Byot's own maintenance, rendered the high prices of little avail to many of them.

Items.			Commuta- tion price	Fasli	Fasli	Comparison.				
						Madras Garce.	1270.	1271.	Increase.	Decrease.
Paddy						89	147	166	19	
Cholum. Cumboo.	•••			St. St.			177 182	171 201	19	6.
Grain. Raggy.				· #		68	233 190	210 213	23 .	23
Varagoo.							121	104		17

14. Ryots' Holdings.—A Comparative Statement of the land in the Ryots' occupation for the last and present Faslis is entered below:—

	Items.			Acres.	Assess- ment.
Ryots' holding in Fasli 1270	Deduct		¥	2,93,059	9,18,448
Lands given up in Fasli 1271				21,190	41,889
	Add	Remainder.,		2,71,869	8,76,559
Lands taken in do.				25,721	. 54,628
		Total Ryots' holding in de	0	2,97,590 4,531	9,31,187 14,188

15. The increase over the last year's holding observable from the above figures, is not to be attributed to any favorableness of the season, but to the reluctance of the Ryots to part with their lands, many of them having first relinquished some portions, and then taken them up again; and also to the increased demand for land caused by the reduction of assessment.

J6. The following Statement shows the actual extent of cultivation in the dry and wet lands in comparison with the past Fasli. The increase occurred in all the Taluks except Arcot, where the failure of rain was the greatest; the highest increase was in Poloor:—.

	Fa	ısli 1270.		F	ısli 1271.	Increase.		Decrease		
Items.	Acres.	Acres. Assessment.		Acres.	Assessn	ie nt.	Acres.	Assess- ment.	Acres.	Assess-ment.
Dry	1,65,574 90,880	RS. 2,60,646 5,57,453	A. P. 2 9 4 3	1,75,366 93,182	Rs. 2,74,772 5,65,801	A. P. 10 S 14 S	9,792	RS. 14,126 8,348	111	ks.
Total	2,56,454	8,18,099	7 0	2,68,548	8,40,574	9 (12,094	22,474		

- 17. The assessment on account of second crop raised on single crop land fell below that* of *Rupees 5,108. last year by Rupees 971. The Teerwah Jasty, or water tax was Rupees 6,669, or 770 Rupees more than in Fasli 1270.
- 18. The total waste, wet and dry, charged and remitted is entered in the margin; the charge Rs. A. P. was made only in cases where it was ascer-waste charged 20,689 10 5 tained that the Ryots had profits from their waste remitted, including chicked Pooldi, &c. 85,425 3 4 cultivation, or means of paying the Government demand easily; or when they offered to pay the assessment of, and claimed a prior right to, the waste land taken up, or applied for by other persons.
- 19. Remission.—The amount of remission under all heads, and the reasons for granting it having been already stated under the head of Season, it requires no further remarks here, except to add that the greatest possible care has been taken in dealing with every item.
- 20. The subjoined Statement exhibits the Land and Extra Sources of Revenue in comparison with the preceding year:—

. Items.	Fasli 1	270	•	Fasli 12	71.		Increase.	Decrease
I I Demin in Aladina Recolored Trans	Rs.	Λ.	Ρ.	RS.	Λ.	Ρ.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue, including Fusul and Teervah jasty	9,28,012	2	4	9,41,994	1	4	13,982	
Remission	1,16,080	6	10	1,19,076	3	7	2,996	
Remainder Add SUNDRY SOURCES.	8,11,931	11	6	8,22,917	13	9	10,986	
Inam quit-rent	2,513	6	0	3,155	1	9	642	
Revenue from Malayalum or Hill villages	1,411	5	6	1,451	5	6	40	•••
nam Jody	1,581	12	5	1,527	6	6		5
Inam Bogajasty	257		1	273		9	16	
Cavel Cundayem	404	12	5	479		1	75	
Tope Audayem	12,073	1	1	11,882	1	6		19
Tank Fishery	6,238	6	4	3,812	1	2		2,42
Vadapoory Vardana	2	10	0	2	10	0	1000	
Moturpha	15,151	4	5					15,15
Road Fund	15,841		8		7	6	156	
Shotriem Jodi	6,872		2	6,872		2	7,100	
Sevoy Jamah	3,078	6		-4,247	0	2	1,169	
Total	8,77,359	3	2	8,72,619	7	10	-13,084	17,829
Deduct Merahaud Dasabundum	50,137	7	4	52,214	5	6	2,077	
Remaining	8,27,221	11	10	8,20,405	2	4	11,007	17,829
*				m 1-2			Net	6,815

21. The only items of revenue which require notice in account of their decrease in the above Statement are Moturpha which has been altogether abolished, and Fish rent which is 2,426 Rupees less than in last year. This latter decrease has been caused by there being no offer made to rent the fishery of the Mamundoor tank in consequence of the great failure in the supply of water to it.

	Fasl	1270.	Fasli	1271.	Incr	ease.	Decrease.		
Items.	Acres.	Assess- ment.	Acres.	Assess- ment.	Acres.	Assess- ment.	Acres.	Assess- ment.	
Indigo Cotton Sugar-cane	2,200 12 593	• 4,368 27 • 3,927	989 1 541	1,960 2 3,732	* ::	.:	1,211 11 52	2,408 25 195	

22. The extent of the cultivation of Sugarcane, Cotton and Indigo fell below last year as shown in the margin, owing, I imagine, to the general unfavorableness of the season.

23. An Abstract Statement of the Demand, Collection and Balance of all sources of Current Revenue, is subjoined. It would appear that the balance still outstanding is very large, and that the poverty of the Ryots is the "bonâ fide" cause of delay in recovering the same.

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Demand... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 8,20,405 2 4
Collections within the end of Fasli... ... 5,97,052 13 0
Subsequent collections... ... ... ... ... 1,49,172 3 4
Balance... 74,180 2 0
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24. The following amounts of old arrears are not realizable for the reasons stated with reference to each, and they are accordingly recommended for final remission:—

Assessment on a portion of land erroneously included in a certain	RS.	A.	P.	
Ryot's Puttah	2	4	10	
Do. on land within a disputed boundary and entered in the				- 1986 Tallian
accounts of two villages	0	8	10	
Do. on land brought to account in excess of the extent in the				•
Survey measurement	4	12	5	
Do. due by Ryots who have no property, and whose lands				
were put up for sale and not purchased	36	5	7	
Over-assessment made by Kurnum by mistake	4	0	(1) in	Wandiwash
Assessment on waste remitted, but omitted to be deducted from			\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	Taluk.
the accounts	0	6	9)	Lander
Do. outstanding against poor Ryots in Arcot Taluk	49	1	10	
Do. do. who have not property	53	1	1	. 10
Do. do. who have deserted the village or died	122	6	2	
Allowance payable to Moturpha village servants included by			0	
mistake in the accounts	30	9	9	
Tax on land taken up for District road improperly included in			-	
the accounts	2	1	2.	

Real pr	operty.	Personal property.				
Distrained.	Sold.	Distrained.	Sold.			
1,274 0 10	334 11 11	1,193 5 3	430 4 (

25. Real and personal property, to the extent shown in the margin, was distrained and sold for arrears of revenue.

26. The yillage accounts were kept very carelessly. The Taluk authorities do not seem to have given their due attention to it. Several accounts were found in arrears for

some months, and many instances of inaccuracy were discovered; more land was entered than the actual extent cultivated; lands ploughed, and portions of fields left waste, were incorporated with the lands cultivated; the crops grown were represented to be of a different sort from what they really were. The notice taken of these irregularities will, it is trusted, prevent their recurrence to any extent.

- .27. As requested in your Memorandum, dated 21st February 1862, No. 12, inquiries on the spot were made at the time of Jamabundy, regarding the working of the Forest Conservancy rules in Vellore and Poloor, and it appears that they have very rarely proved a means of extortion or oppression, and that the rates of fees, though complained of by the payers as so high as to leave them very inadequate remuneration, are not in my opinion too heavy, or likely unduly to repress industry.
- 28. Three of the Sub-division Taluks having been settled by Mr. Blair, I only came personally in communication, during the Jamabundy, with the Vellore Tahsildar, and am glad to be able to report favorably of him, as well as of the revenue establishment in general. I cannot however close this report without bringing specially to notice the conduct of the Sub-division Sheristadar "Chittambala Mudali;" I found him very active and zealous in the performance of his duties, and he appears to enjoy the confidence of the Ryots generally; he unites an excellent knowledge of English, with thorough acquaintance with Revenue business in all its details; had I remained in the Sub-division, I should have promoted him on the first opportunity, as I had formed a very high opinion of his character and integrity.

VELLORE, 8th September 1862. (Signed) R. W. BARLOW,

Acting Sub-Collector.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. FRASER,

Acting Collector.

SOUTH ARCOT.

16th July 1858.
2nd September 1859.
7th July 1860.
17th June 1861.
19th March 1862.
24th July 1862.
7th August 1862.
Paragraph 15 of 7th August 1862, No. 5,154.

. 1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the Settlement of this District for the past Fasli year (1271) accompanied with the Annual and Quinquennial Statements prepared in the prescribed forms, and exhibiting the requisite particulars in accordance with the instructions laid down in the Board's various Circulars as marginally noted.

Statement No. 1.

2. I. VILLAGES AT WHICH THE SETTLEMENT WAS MADE.—Statement No. 1 shows when the Settlement operations commenced and concluded, and the places where, and the Officers by whom, the Settlement was conducted. As a general rule the Jamabundy was held at the Kusbah stations, but in the Villapooram and Yellavanasore Taluks, Perimbay in the former, and Trikalur in the latter were selected as the most convenient localities.

3. II. VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER AND TENURES OF VILLAGES WITH REMARKS ON THE NUMBER OF PUTTARS THAT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN RENEWED.—The following table exhibits the total number of villages of this District, and the tenures under which they are severally held:—

Number.	Des	cription of	Villages.	the second	um illa fasl	Number of villages in Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease.
2 S 3 S 4 In 5 M 6 M	tyotwar vettled by hrotriem nam. Ioturpha. Ioottah.	rent villages do.			2,972 29 63 7 11 17 2	3,002 63 7 11 17 1	30	* 29
			Total	. 00	3,101	3,101	30	30

- 4. The increase of 30 villages under the head of Ryotwar is owing to the transfer of 29 villages from the head "Settled by rent," consequent on the introduction of the revised rates of Teerwah in the resumed Jaghire of Kollamalay in the late Munnargoody Taluk, as well as to the transfer of a single village in the Chekady Jaghire of the Taluk of Trinomalay from Amany in Fasli 1271; this is the usual course when there is no Nunjah cultivation.
- 5. The permanent Puttahs issued in Fasli 1270 amounted to 225,630. It was found necessary to grant fresh Puttahs at the past year's Settlement, in cases where the Puttahs of the preceding year had been lost, and new Puttahs were given to the newly settled Ryots.
- 6. The Puttahs thus renewed were 12,880. The number not renewed or which remained unaltered or were merely modified by additional entries amounted to 212,750.

- 7. The Ryots offered no opposition to the change of system and in no way objected to produce their old Puttahs for alteration.
- 8. III. Season and sanitary state of the District.—The season under report was on the whole decidedly favorable. In July rains were sufficient to carry on dry cultivation. In August there was no rain but that which fell in September enabled the wet cultivation to progress, and in October the Ryots were encouraged by seasonable showers to carry on the cultivation of Cotten and Indigo to a considerable extent. There was also rain in November which proved very favorable to the progress of cultivation generally, but this again was checked by the entire absence of rain in the following months of December and January, a want that was fatal to the realization of full crops in many parts, but those sufficiently advanced were brought to tolerable maturity in other localities by the rain which fell at a later period in the month of February, when the Indigo crop likewise promised well, but the plants were subsequently injured by insects. In March and April there was a failure, but the slight rains which fell in May and June proved favorable to the dry crops.
- 9. There were moderate freshes in the Coleroon and in the other principal rivers from July to November, but none between the latter month and the following June.
- 10. Thus, while accounting the season as generally favorable, yet the total yield of wet crops was deficient and fell short of the average, and this may be attributed to the total absence of rain in the important month of December, and to the insufficiency of supply in the succeeding months of the season.

11. The Vaccination operations in this District if the returns are to be relied on, were satisfactory, the number said to have been vaccinated during the year amounted to 8,589 which is in excess of the previous year by 511. As far as my inquiries go, I

believe that in each year the people are becoming more alive to the advantages of vaccination, and if it be so, the greater the chance of the vaccinators doing their duty.

12. The sanitary state of the District during the year under notice has been very satisfactory. Cholera occasionally showed itself in certain localities, but not in any virulent form, and with this exception the District has been quite free from any epidemic disease. From March to May cattle suffered partially from murrain.

13. IV. PRICES OF GRAIN.—The following comparative Statement exhibits the average prices of all staple articles for the two Faslis of 1270 and 1271, showing the increase and decrease in the market value of each kind of grain.:—

No.	1 (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1	Grains.			Fasli 1270. In garce.	CHECK CHANGE TO SEE		Decrease
1	White paddy		100		 137	163	26	
2	Coarse do			,	122	148	26	
	Cholum	and are set of			 178	212	34	1
4	Cumboo				159	178	19	
5	Horse-gram				 254	224		30
	Raggy				163	186	23	
7	Varagoo				 100	136	36	

14. It will be seen from this Statement that with the exception of horse-gram there has been a very marked rise in the prices of all grain in the present year as compared with its predecessor, and one cause of this large increase may possibly be found in the limited outturn of produce owing to the inadequate or unseasonable supply of rain as already noticed, while the decrease in the price of horse-gram is attributed to the comparative large outturn of that grain the cultivation of which happened to be favored with plentiful showers at the proper season. Strict orders were sent by Circular to all local officers, and as they have certified to the accuracy of these price lists I can entertain no doubt of their correctness.

Enclosure B in No. 3.

15. V. RYOTS' HOLDING.—The following abstract gives the result of the Ryots' holding during the year under review for Ryotwar villages:—

Items.	Extent.	Assessment.
Holdings of previous year	9,59,961 95,428	27,76,766 2,06,524
Add lands taken up Remainder	8,64,533 1,52,040	25,70,242 4,48,686
Waste remitted Total holdings	10,16,573	30,18,928 9,352
Remainder	16,16,573	30,09,576
Particulars of the above. Actual cultivation	9,43,613 72,960	28,57,284 1,52,342

16. It will be seen from this abstract Statement that the extent of holdings amounts to acres 10,16,573, bearing an assessment of Rupees 30,09,576. The Teervah Jastee and Fussul

1270.... 9,13,615 26,64,510 1271.... 10,16,572 30,09,576 Increase... 1,02,958 3,45,066 Jastee have been excluded from the entries of assessment in the enclosure B, and the items in this contain only the original assessment. The Ryots' holdings for the year under review show an increase as compared with the preceding Fasli of acres 1,02,958, bearing an assessment of Rupees 3,45,066.

17. This increase is due mainly to the following causes:-

	A.	As.
1st. Extension of cultivation in this over the previous year	48,417	1,49,338
Transfer of 29 villages of resumed Jaghire of Kollamalay		
in the late Munnargoody Taluk to the Ryotwar, the vil-		
lages having been previously rented	8,195	43,100
Amount gained by less remissions on Puteut waste granted in	-16"	
this than in the last year	46,346	1,02,904
Difference of Teerwah consequent on the conversion of Dry		
lands into Wet as per new Survey Settlement in the Chel-		4r
lumbrum and the late Munnargoody Taluks	•	49,724
Increase 1,	02,958	3,45,066

Total holdings Caltivation Waster	Acres. 10,16,573 9,43,613 72,960	Rupees. 30,18,929 28,57,234 1,61,695
Per centage	7	5
Dry. 1270	Acres. . 6,85,447 7,44,286	Rs. 12,81,545 13,81,974
Increase	60,830	1,00,429

- 18. On comparing the extent of total waste and its assessment with the total, holdings and Revenue of the Fasli under report only about 5 per cent on the Teerwah remains uncultivated as shown in the margin.
- 19. The total extent of Punjah cultivation and the assessment for Ryotwar villages for the past two years is given in the margin. The increase in favor of the year under review is considerable.
- 20. It will be seen that the extent of Dry land cultivation amounts to acres 7,44,286,

bearing an assessment of Rupees 13,81,974, showing an increase of Rupees 1,00,429, or acres 60,839 over last Fasli. The following figures will explain the particulars of this increase:—

),839 over last Fasli. The following figures will explain the particu	lars of thu	increase:—
	A.	As,
1st. Extension of cultivation over last year	31,888	62,700
2nd. Transfer of 29 villages of the resumed Jaghire of Kollamalay to Ryotwar	1,592	3,386
3rd. Transfer of garden lands into Dry under, the new Sur-		
vey Settlement in Chellumbrum and Munnargoody Taluks	499	4,133
4th. Amount gained by the amount of remission less granted		
	37,010	67,468
Total	73,989	1,37,687
Deduct decrease effected in the Dry consequent on the trans-		
fer of Dry lands into Nunjah	13,150	5 37,258
Wet. Net amount of increase	60.839	1,00,429
1270 2,26,052 13,59,048 1271 2,68,572 16,07,313 21. The figures in the margin ex		
Increase 42,520 2,48,265 the assessment of Nunjah cultivation for lages. The particulars of this increase a		
	Ac.	Α.
Extension of cultivation over last year	13,431	86,116
Transfer of 29 villages of the resumed Jaghire of Kollimalay to		
the Ryotwar	6,603	39,714
Conversion of Dry lands into Nunjah	13,150	86,982
Increase gained by the amount of remissions less granted in		*
the past than in the previous year	9,336	35,453
Increase	42,520	2,48,265

- 22. Of the total Nunjah cultivation as above a very large proportion is irrigated by artificial sources, the chief of which are the lower anicut on the Coleroon, and the anicut over the Vellar river, and the Ponnear Guddelum and Ragavien channels.
- 23. The following table exhibits at one view the total extent of land cultivated under each of the above sources of irrigation with its assessment:—

No.		Irrigation		Extent.	Assessment.
2 3 4 5	Lower anicut Coleroon Vellar do Ponnear river Guddalum do Ragavien channel Viccravandy anicut	.::. 	 	Ac. 70,515 16,511 28,950 5,099 5,088 868	4,03,478 99,335 1,85,213 46,835 31,498 5,409
			Total	1,27,031	7,71,768

Garden.
1270... 4,116
1871... 3,715

Decrease... 401

3,628

24. There is a decrease in the extent of this cultivation amounting as noted marginally to acres 401 or Rupees 3,628 as compared with Fasli 1270.—Vide remarks on Nunjah. The particulars of this decrease are subjoined,

Decrease of the garden converted into Wet as per new Survey Settlement in Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody Taluk This decrease is owing to the grant of remissions this year		A. 4,133 17
Deduct increase gained by the extension of cultivation over last year.	499 98	4,150 522
Net decrease	401	3,628

Fussel Jastee. 1270... 31,417 1271... 41,063.

Increase.. 9,646
* In the Hooloos Taluks. 4,378
† In the Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody Taluks. 5,268
9,646

25. The revenue derived from the cultivation of second crop amounts to Rupees 41,063 being an increase of Rupees 9,646 over Fasli 1270. This increase is owing partly to the extension of cultivation of second crop* in the registered double crop lands and in uncertain double crop lands, and also to the levy of second crop† Teerwah on Nunjah lands in the Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody Taluks according to the new Survey Settlement. But I desire to explain that out of the total revenue derived from this source

Rupees 29,551 were fixed on the actual cultivation of second crop in the registered double crop lands and on those of doubtful yield, and a sum of Rupees 6,244 was added to certain cultivators for raising second crop cultivation on registered single crop land to the injury of the regularly assessed double crop land, and the rest or Rupees 5,268 was obtained as above stated by the levy of second crop assessment on lands in the Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody Taluks in conformity with the new Survey Settlement.

Teerwah Jastee. 1270...... 1,42,743 1271..... 1,06,262

Decrease.. 36,481

26. Teerwah Jastee or Kusser or extra water rate levied on Dry land converted into Wet or Garden, and to enable the proper cultivation of dry crops also by the use of water provided at the cost of Government or from public sources belonging to the State,

amounts to Rupees 1,06,262 being a decrease of Rupees 36,481 below the collections on the same account for Fasli 1270.

The particulars of decrease are noted below :-

Conversion of Dry land into Wet in the Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody Taluk as per new Survey Settlement	13,150	49,724
Deduct Increase of Kusser gained by the extension of Wet cultivation on Dry lands in the Hooloos Taluks Increase of do. gained by the extension of Dry cultivation by	3,002	P1,092
the aid of Government water	1,226	2,151
	4,228	13,243
Net decrease	8,922	36,481

1270 .. 8,77,698 25,81,053 1271 .. 9,43,613 28,57,234 Increase .. 65,915 2,76,181 27. VI. ACTUAL CULTIVATION.—The extension of actual cultivation amounts to 9,43,613, bearing an assessment of Rupees 28,57,234 exhibiting an increase in revenue of Rupees 2,76,181 over and above Fasli 1270; this increase may be accounted for as follows:—

	Extension of cultivation over last year Extension of cultivation of the lands which were "hold-	48,417	1,49,338
	ing waste" in last Fasli 1270	9,303	34,019
	Transfer of 29 villages from the rental to the Ryotwar Increase gained in the Teerwah from the conversion of dry lands into Nunjah in the Munnargoody and Chel-	8,195	43,100
	lumbrum Taluk:		49,724
4	Total	65,915	2,76,181

28. VII. WASTE CHARGED AND REMITTED WITH REASONS.—In the following table will be found the details of waste lands charged to account and waste lands on which the assessment was remitted:—

Table.

Items.		Total waste.							en- as in B•	Net waste charged.			
	RS.	Α.	P.	RS.	Α.	Р.	Rs.	A.	P.	Acres	RS.	Α.	P.
Dry	60,237	0	0	1,02,518	5	6	1,652				1,00,865	12	6
Wet	12,443		0				7,682	8	3	12,443	49,960	15	1
Garden	200	0	0			5		15	5	1, 1, 3, 3, 000 3 AND LOTHER SHOWING	1,515	12	0
	72,960	0	0	1,61,694	8	3	9,352	0	8	72,960	1,52,342	7	7

29. Remissions were granted on what is termed Nunjah Putcut waste on the scale noted

From 11 to 50, 50 per cent.

in the margin, and in all cases where losses were proved, arising from no wilful neglect on the part of the Ryot, but which were owing to failure of rain or to the deficiency in the supply of the ordinary sources of irrigation. The sum thus remitted on entire fields of the Ryots amounts to Rupees 9,352-0-8,* this

appears in Enclosure B in No. 3, the amount claimed but refused on account of waste, and which has accordingly been brought to account against the Ryots is Rupees 1,52,342-7-7.

30. I feel called upon here to remark on this last item of unremitted waste. Primô facie it would appear a harsh if not unjust measure, that is to an inexperienced mind, but strictly it is neither, indeed I may say that it is the very reverse. The system of annual remissions for Shavi and waste, which I found to obtain in this District, seemed to me very pernicious and to demand decided measures to put a stop to it. Notwithstanding the almost universal reduction of assessment throughout the District, these remissions were annually permitted, and as I conceive, on no sufficient grounds while they involve to my mind a very important principle. In the recent and present great demand for land may be inferred its value, the eagerness and rivalry displayed by applicants sufficiently demonstrate the profitable use to which it can be turned, and the almost fabulous rates at which in some parts of the District land changes hands, and even finds ready purchasers, attests the necessity for the utmost caution on the part of Revenue Officers that they should not be led away by demonstrations and cries for remission incidental almost to every Jamabundy season. The past year was no exception to its prede-

† Cuddalore. Villapuram. Virdachellam. cessor, and in the three important Taluks; which were settled by myself, while steadfastly resisting the clamour for remission grounded on custom, I endeavoured to explain to the more intelligent of those present, the reasons and motives which then

influenced me and which would always influence me in refusing the demand. I took occasion more than once from particular cases that came specially under my notice to prove that my resolve was neither hard nor unjust. There was one case in particular where a Ryot pleaded his claim for remission on account of waste while he had actually sold this land to another, and he was not then the real holder of it, but was simply put forward by the purchaser on the chance

If the per centage of loss falls below 10, 25 per cent.

^{,, 51} to 75, 75 do.

Above 75 full remission the same Rule applied for Shavy remission.

^{*} This includes Rupees 1,669-8-5 remitted in certain Taluks on Punjah and garden waste.

of getting some remission which would benefit himself. I carefully made the Ryots to understand that while I would force no one to continue his holding, I required of each the full revenue of that holding, whether cultivated or not, and for the simple reason that his retention of it kept others out, and thus deprived Government of their rights and dues as the landlord, and therefore, inasmuch as land was now so valuable, the assessment so light, prices so high, and the land so negotiable, on no account whatever were remissions on any pretext to be hereafter looked for, save of course where seasons in whole or in part so failed as to necessitate their being made exceptional. Before the Jamabundy was commenced, I issued written instructions conveying my views to the different Officers who with myself conducted the Settlement of the District, and I need not say that those instructions were carefully carried out, the exceptions being those spoken of in paragraph 29 where there appeared necessity, for the causes noted, to afford the relief applied for. In future years there will be no difficulty in this matter, and the demand for remission will I conceive be limited to those cases only which fall under the admitted exceptional class, and thus the duty of the Settlement will ordinarily I trust be an easier and pleasanter task than in the past or preceding years.

31. VIII. PATICULARS OF REMISSION.—The following comparative table exhibits the amount of remissions granted under the heads of Occasional, Fixed, and Deduction for the payment of village officers for Faslis 1270 and 1271:—

No.	Items.	Fasli 1270.	Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease
1 2 3	Occasional Fixed Deductior for the payment of village servants	1,28,831	1,58,913 69,804 2,08,212		59,02
	•	4,05,067	4,36,929	90,889	59,02
			•	59,027	N. E. S
		Net i	ncrease	31,862	

Occasional. Under the head of Occasional a sum of Rupees 1,58,913 has been remitted this year.

This shows an increase of Rupees 77,226 as entered in the Statement which is accounted for as follows:

Loss of revenue consequent on the introduction of the revised rates in the Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody
Taluks... 1,57,257

Amount of remission granted on Teerwah Jastee and
Fasal Jastee from failure of rain... 730

Total... 1,57,987

Deduct

Increase gained by withholding remissions granted in last year on portions of fields left waste and on Shavy... 80,761

Net increase... 77,226

Under this head a sum of Rupees 69,804 has been remitted this year exhibiting a decrease of Rupees 59,027; the following will explain this decrease:—

Amount of temporary remissions discontinued consequent on the introduction of the new Survey Settlement in the Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody Taluks...

Amount of two fourths remission allowed on lands cultivated by the Brahmins of the Moccasa villages in the Chellumbrum Taluk discontinued, consequent on the new imposition of the quit rent on those lands by the Inam Commissioner, this collection has been credited to the

Deduct, being the road fund charged on the excess cultivation made in the Hooloos Taluks, and the levy of 4
Pice in every Rupee of the land assessment in lieu of 1
Anna per cawny formerly levied in the Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody Taluks.—Vide paragraph 12 of the Order of Government 19th October 1860, No. 1,906.

67,206

743 ————67,949

8,922

Net decrease... 59,027

Deduction for the payment of village servants.

head Inam commutation...

Under the head of Reduction for the payment of village servants it amounts to Rupees 2,08,212 this year, there is an increase of Rupees 13,663; the following will show the particulars of increase:—

Increased amount of deduction made for the payment of village Officers consequent on the extension of cultivation...

Deduct

In Chellumbrum and late Munnargoody Taluks. Petty fees to temples and certain deductions made on the cultivable extent of Kavil Punnail lands, discontinued.—*Vide* paragraph 9 of the Order of Government 19th October, No. 1,996...

... 5,558

19,221

Net increase... 13,663

Statement No. 10 A.
1270 26,272
1271 25,762

Decrease ... 510

32. IX. Particulars of Sundry Items.—The Revenue under this head is Rupees 25,762, showing a decrease of Rupees 510 accounted for by the transfer of the amount of quit rent newly imposed by the Inam Commissioner on Katabadi Inam lands, to the head Inam commutation.

33. This trifling decrease is owing to the transfer of a single village from Ryotwar, already noticed, to Amany.

34. X. EXTENT OF LAND CULTIVATED WITH SPECIAL PRODUCTS.—Statement No. 7—The following abstract table gives

the extent and assessment of Sugar-cane cultivation, and of Cotton and Indigo in the year under review as compared with the Fasli preceding:—

Products.	oducts. Fasli 1270. Fasli 1271.		Increase.						Decrease.							
Sugar-cane. Cotton Indigo	34,911	78,108	1,833 36,603	11,008 72,850	1,692	0	0	No. comb						5,257	0	0
	71,388	1,59,406	95,767	1,99,719	24,650	0	0	45,571	0	02	71	0	0	5,257	0	0
			Net in	crease	24,379	0	0	40,314	0	0	•••			ſ	••••	

- 35. Of the above products there is a decrease in the extent of Sugar-cane cultivated but an increase in the assessment, and in Cotton it is exactly the opposite; the cultivation has considerably increased while there is a material decrease in the revenue which is accounted for by the fact that the lowest assessed lands have been appropriated to this species of cultivation. The rains we had in July and October of last year were very favorable to the Indigo, hence to that cause may be ascribed the satisfactory increase both in the cultivation of, and revenue derived from, this valuable product.
- 36. The following comparative table exhibits the result of Gingelly and ground nut cultivation which is yearly rising in importance:—

Products.	Fasli	1270.	Fasli	1271.	Increase.		ease. Decrea	
Gingelly Oil Seeds	29,878 8,451	53,242 18,226	21,161 9,757	38,135 21,112	1.306	2,886	8,717	15,107
Total	38,329	71,468	30,918	59,247	1,306	2,886	8,717	15,107
	-127 1 3 3 mg		*	197	Net dec	rease	7,411	12,221

- 37. The decrease in the culture of Gingelly oil seed is owing to the failure of rain at the proper time, while the increase in the cultivation of ground nut is, I believe simply caused by rain having fallen when it was needed.
- 38. XI. AN ABSTRACT STATEMENT SHOWING THE GENERAL RESULT OF LAND REVENUE SETTLEMENT IN COMPARISON WITH THE PREVIOUS YEAR AND ALSO THE RESULTS OF THE REVISION OF ASSESSMENT.—
 The following abstract Statement shows the general result of the Land Revenue Settlement of the year under report; this amounts to Rupees 27,79,856-3-4, being a net increase of Rupees 2,58,720-6-9 over and above last Fasli:—

No.	Items.	Fasli 1270.			Fasli 1	Increas	Decrease.						
	Moottah						- 1						
	Inams	18,362	13	7	24,062	0	4	5,699	2	9			
3	Ryotwar	24,59,876	0	25	27,45,735	10	2	2,85,859	10	0			
4	Rent for one year	32,784	11	9							32,784	11	9
5	Amany	1,475	15	0	1,159	12	9	٠			316	2	
G	Inam commutation			111111111111111111111111111111111111111	262	8	0	262	8	0	•••	••	
	Total	25,21,135	12	7 2	27,79,856	3	4	2,91,821	4	9	33,100	14	(
				- 1	Net incr	eas	e	2,58,720	6	9	4-20		

39. A brief reference to each of the items here noticed will perhaps be expected.

Moottah.

40. There being no fluctuation in this item it calls for no remark.

Quit-rent Commutation on Shrotriem and Inams.

41. The increase under this head is Rupees 5,699-2-9 occasioned by the new imposition of the tax on Shrotriem and Inams by the Inam Commissioner.

Ryotwar. 42. There appears an increase of Rupees 2,85,859-10-0, exhibited under this head and it has been already explained. The extension of cultivation, the transfer of 29 villages from Rental to Ryotwarry, and the amount of remissions less granted in this year on waste and withered crops than in the Fasli preceding.

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Rent for one year.
To Board 7th November 1860,
No. 183.
From do. 4th December 1860,
No. 5,673.

43. There is a decrease of Rupees 32,784-11-9 under this head, caused by the introduction of the new rates of assessment in Fasli 1271 on the lands of the 29 villages of the Jaghire of Kollymalay in the late Munnargoody Taluk so often noticed. These villages have usually been rented out until the past year.

Amany.

44. The decrease of Rupees 316-2-3 under this head is consequent on the transfer in the past Fas!i of a single village in the Chekkady Jaghire in the Trinomallay Taluk to Ryotwar as explained in paragraph 4.

Inam commutation.

45. The increase of Rupees 262.8-0 under the head of Inam commutation arises from the redemption of the Land tax in certain cases under the Freehold Rules.

Results of the revision of the assessment sion of assessment.

46. I now come to notice the results of the revision of the assessment effected in the Chellumbrum and Munnargoody Taluks in Faşli 1271. The Enclosure D in No. 10, which accompanies the Settlement Report, will show the Jamabundy Beriz of Fasli 1270 at the old rates, that of Fasli 1271 at the revised rates.

47. It is not my province here to offer any remark on the peculiarities of the revision of the assessment in these parts, since the subject has been elaborately dealt with by Mr. Newill in his report, and in the Board's Proceedings held thereon dated 3rd November 1859, No. 4,498.

* Vide paragraph 5 of the Order of Government, 19th October 1860, No. 1,906, Enclosed in Board's Proceedings 26th October 1860, No. 4,963. 48. The Government in the orders noted in the margin, at first directed that the revision should be carried out at the annual Settlement of Fasli 1270, but this was deferred, vide paragraph 4 of the subsequent orders of Government dated 7th November 1860, No. 2,063.

The amount of difference between the old and the revised rates 1 Loss in additional tax and Trees tax	Rs. ,57,257 370
Total loss 1	,57,627
Deduct Increase gained by the extension of cultivation. Increase consequent on the transfer from the head Settled by the rent to that of Ryotwar of the Government gardens situated in okollymalay Jaghire villages. Increase gained by the imposition of second crop assessment. 8,995	76,113
Net loss	81,514
Amount of temporary remission, dis-	67,975
Net decrease	13,539

- 49. In conducting the Settlement of Fasli 1271 according to the revised rates of Teerwah, the loss of revenue amounts to Rupees 1,57,627 as detailed in the margin; this sacrifice of revenue equals 31 per cent on the old or Pymash rates of Teerwah. Out of this loss a sum of Rupees 76,113 was made good by extended cultivation and by the levy of a second crop assessment on Nunjah lands, while the remainder, or Rupees 81,514, was further reduced to Rupees 13,539, entirely by refusal of remission hitherto granted as per Board's Proceedings 12th October 1854. This balance then of Rupees 13,539 is the net decrease below the Settlement Beriz of the previous Fasli 1270.
- 50. Of the total extent of classified Ayacut there remains waste 7,227 Acres, assessed at Rupees 15,268. There also appears a waste of 12,600 Acres

of Porumboke not included in the Ryots' holdings, but it is generally thought that under the present moderate rates of assessment, the neighbouring Ryots will shortly take up every portion of this waste that may prove fitted for cultivation, and past experience in like cases fully justifies this belief, and although there appears no immediate means available of making good the loss of Rupees 81,514, yet the net decrease of Rupees 13,559 I have been noticing will, I am persuaded, be fully made up, and that before very long, by extended cultivation.

	A	ver	age rate	s per	Acre	Se .	and the same of	
As per old	rate	s.	As per	revi	sed	Differ	ence	
Dry 2 Wet 7	13	4	1	13 7	P. 8 8	0	15 15	8

. 51. I give in the margin the average old and the present revised rates showing that nearly a reduction of 1 Rupee an Acre on dry and of 2 Rupees an Acre on wet land has been effected under the new Survey Settlement.

1270 1271	
Increase	46,200
To Board 1st Jun	ne 1861.

52. XII. SUNDRY SOURCES OF REVENUE. Abkarry.—The increase under this head is caused by the increased rental of the Abkarry farm. It is under lease for a term of five years commencing from Fasli 1271 to 1275 at an excess rental over former years as shown in the margin.

1270.....52,536 4 1 1271.....52,536 0 6 Increase..5,689 12 5 53. Income Tax.—This increase arises from the imposition of the tax on many persons who from some cause or other were not called upon to pay in the last year, also to the transfer of many to the Income tax account who before paid Moturpha. The tax received further addition under the operation of Schedules 3 and 4.

1270.....42,854 *5 9 1271.....49,193 2 1 Increase... 6,338 12 4 54. Sea Customs.—The Sea Custom Collections enclusive of Extra Revenue amounts to Rupees 49,193-2-1, being Rupees 6,338-12-4 in excess of the previous year.

- 55. The accompanying Statement marked A will exhibit the ports in the District and the amount collected in each. This slight augmentation of revenue may, I think, be ascribed to the progress of trade, and is partly owing perhaps to the reduction in the rates of duty under Act X of 1860 both on exported and imported goods.
- 56. There is however a decrease in the export of Paddy in the Cuddalore Port, and of Rice at Porto Novo as compared with last year, while the Import returns show an increase in brief of articles such as nuts, piece-goods, sugar, and sugar-candy, palmirah rafters, benjamin, brass, tin, &c., in the former Port (Cuddalore), and of betel-nut boiled and cut, piece-goods, cctton, palmirah rafters, and other sundry articles in the latter Port (Porto Novo).
- 57. Under this head the revenue collected for the year amounts to Rupees 72,508-8-0, being in excess of the preceding Fasli by Rupees 2,042-2-9. The duties collected at the dif-

Frontier duties. 1270....70,466 5 3 1271.....72,508 8 0 ferent chowkies on the French frontier in this District are detailed in the Statement marked B accompanying my Report. This increase will be found to consist in the larger exports of Indigo and ground-nut to Pondicherry in consequence of the reduction of the duty under Act X of 1860. A large decrease is observable in the import of cotton twist

and yarn piece-goods, composition metal, &c., for which no special cause can be assigned beyond the ordinary fluctuations of trade.

1270... 3,97,711 0 1 1271... 4,35,626 4 0 Increase. 37,915 3 11 58. Salt.—The amount in this branch of revenue aggregates Rupees 4,35,626-4-0, being Rupees 37,915-3-11 in excess of the previous Fasli. This result is mainly owing to the enhanced price under the Government Notification of the 24th June 1861, which raised it to 1½ Rupees per Indian Maund.

59. The subjoined comparative Statement shows at one view the revenue derived from each of the places of manufacture in this District.

No.	Salt pa	ins.	Fasli 1	270		Fasli 12	271.		Incre	ase		Decr	ease	٠.
2 3 4	Merkanum Teagavully, Killay Cuddalore Madras		Rs. 3,01,771 21,145 36,027 33,971 4,794	11 7 5 11	8 3 11 3		5 13 13 4	0 0 8	3,435 $27,052$ $11,720$	5	P. 8 9 1 5		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
		Total	3,97,711	0	1	4,35,626	4	0	42,709	15	11	4,794	12	(
	*		4-7-3			Net incr	ease		37,915	3	11			

- 60. Although there appears a decrease of 23,108 Maunds in the quantity in Enclosure A to Statement No. 5, yet the additional price has not only made good this loss but has resulted in a considerable increase as above noticed.
- 61. From the Statement given below, the Board will find the quantity sold for Home and Inland consumption as well as that supplied to the French Government, and the quantity exported to other places by sea.

Items.	Fasli 1	270		Fasli 1	271.		Incre	ase.		Decre	ease	
	1,98,709 3,000	0 0	0	1,30,343 1,53,831 22,200	0 0 0	0	19,200		•••	4,063 44,878	eberatarie	0
Total	3,79,394	0	0	3,53,286	0	0	22,833	0	0	48,941	0	(
							Net de	cres	ıse.	26,108	0	(

- 62. The decrease appearing under the respective heads of Home and Inland consumption is of course owing to the decrease in sales. The cause of this decrease is now under my consideration, and I hope shortly to be in a position to report upon it. The increase under the head of "Exportation by sea" and "Supplied to French Government," arises of course from an increased demand requiring here no particular comment.
- 63. It will be seen by the Statement No. 4 of Salt transactions enclosed with this report that 10,778 Maunds valued at Rupees 9,171 have been debited to wastage during the year. I have to request sanction to strike off the amount under this head. This wastage averages at M. 2, S. 35 per cent of the quantity sold and does not seem to call for remark.
- 64. The net quantity of Salt in store on the 1st July 1862 in the present year is given below, the quantity measured up to 30th September has been Maunds 3,31,397, and the quantity still remaining unmeasured at this date amounts to Maunds 43,275.

	MS.	S.	CH.
Stock on hand on the 1st July 1861	5,40,974	0	0
Manufactured from 1st do. to 30th June 1862	4,87,019	0	0
Total	10,27,993	0	0
Deduct quantity sold in Fasli 1271 3,53,286 0 0	and the second		
Deduct wastage 10,778 0 0	3,64,064	0	0
Net quantity remaining in store on the 1st July 1862	6,63,929	0	0

The stock on hand as shown in this Statement will I believe fully meet the demand for at least two years.

65. STAMP.—The revenue derived under this head amounts to Rupees 76,443-8-2 being a decrease of Rupees 24,643-14-6 as compared with the year preced-1270..... 1,01,087 6 ing, but the sales in the Fasli year 1270 were unusually large owing 1271.... 76,443 8 to the introduction of Act XXXVI of 1860, and to the operation of Acts Decrease. 24,643 15 6 XIV of 1859 and XI of 1861. The collections in that year afford therefore no criteria by which to estimate the returns from this source of revenue.

1270.... 41,161 1271.... 15,400 7 10 Decrease.. 25,760 9 1 Dated 8th March 1862, No. 1,570 Standing Circular.

66. MOTURPHA.—The abolition of this impost renders remark unnecessary. The sums realized previously are in course of repayment to those from whom collected. The amount includes the payments received on account of the License tax prior to the receipt of the orders discontinuing that impost.

67. XIII. LAND REVENUE OF SUNDRY SOURCES. - I will now finally sum up in the following table the total revenue of the District derived from Land and all Statement No. 10 A. sources for the year under report, and when the result is compared with the entire revenue of the preceding Fasli, it will be seen that there 1270..33,74,261 **3** 9 1271..36,83,611 • 0 10 is a net increase in favor of the year under report amounting to the considerable sum of Rupees 3,09,349-13-1, or three lacs, nine thousand three Increase 3,09,349 13 hundred and forty-nine, Annas thirteen, and Pie one.

TABLE.

Vo.	Items.	Settler of Far 127	sli	t	Settlen of Fas 1271	li.		Increa	se.		Pec	reas	e.
1	Land Revenue, Ain Sayer and Miscellane-	RS. 25,21,135		P. 7	Rs. 27,79,856	A, 3	P. 4	2,58,720	A. 6	P. 9	RS-	*	Р
	ous	11,221	12	3	12,081	14	0	860	1	9		•••	
	Total	25,32,357	8	10	27,91,938	1	4	2,59,580	8	6			
2	Abkarry including Mis- cellaneous	1,35,349	5	0	1,81,500	0	0	46,150		0	"		
	Income tax. do.	47,126 43,362		1 9		0 2	6	5,409 5,830	100	5		• • • •	
	Sea Customs. do. Land do. do.	70,498	1000	4	72,968	0	2	2,469	0	10			
6	Salt. do.	3,97,711 1,06,650	0 8	1 8	4,35,632 84,411,		8	87,921			22,21	38 1	4
	Stamp. do. Moturpha. do.	41,205	130. (b) (750a)	0			0				25,77	st. (2005) 1982 (8	2 1
	Grand Total	33,74,261	3	9	36,83,611	0	10	3,57,862	14	8	48,01	3	1 '
			467/14		Netine	reas	e	3,09,349	13	1			

Statement No. 9. 1270..17,699 1271..20,546 1 14 11

68. XIV. REMARKS ON SAYER AND MISCELLANEOUS. - The amount brought to account under this head exhibits a trifling increase of Rupees 2,847-14-6 above the preceding Fasli. The item is necessarily fluctuating, but this particular increase is due I believe mainly to the penalties on unstamped Deeds and to the Seigniorage collected on fuel cut in the so called jungles of this District, and which amount, since June 1862, has been transferred to the head of Local Fund, as directed by the Board of Revenue dated 3rd June 1862, No. 374.

14 6 Increase 2,847

Official Memorandum.

Statement No. 11. Statement needs no remark; all that has been written bears on it, and the results which it developes have been already fully considered and explained, but it is requisite I should state that of the Settlement Beriz of Rupees 36,83,611-0-10, a sum of Rupees 32,29,309-12-3 was realized within the Fashi year, leaving a current arrear of Rupees 4,54,301-4-7, of which Rupees 3,95,895-10-10, was subsequently collected up to 30th September

1. Land Revenue 50,133 15 4 2. Miscellaneous 2,503 8 4 3. Income tax... 5,768 1 3

3. Income tax.. 5,768 1 3 4. Stamp...... 0 0 10

58,405 9 9

A. r. last, leaving a balance of only Rupees 58,405-9-9, which is in course of collection and will soon I hope be realized. If the balances at the close of the Fashi are considered large it must be borne in mind that the Jamabundy of South Arcot is invariably later than in other Districts, which will fully explain the cause. I am not aware that any plausible reason exists for this lateness to

commence the Settlement, and I have taken measures to ensure its earlier commencement in future years, and the arrangement appears to me very desirable as much on the Ryots' account as on that of the Revenue Officers and their Establishments.

Statement No. 13.

Demand Collection and Balance of arrears.—I begins to offer my remarks on the arrears. The total arrear outstanding on the 1st July 1861, amounted to Rupees 2,30,073-7-1, of which deducting Rupees 2,14,447-12-8, being the amount since actually realized within the Fasli, there remained for collection Rupees 15,625-10-5 on the 1st July 1862.

71. XVII. RECOMMENDATION IN REGARD TO THE IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS FOR REMISSION WITH AN ABSTRACT OF THE FASLIS AND HEAD OF REVENUE TO WHICH THEY BELONG.—The Statement No. 13 accompanying gives every detail of these accumulated arrears of revenue embracing from Fasli 1264 inclusive to 1270. The sum of Rupees 848-14-5 had been realized up to 30th September 1862, and Rupees 10,313-6-4 are supposed to be still recoverable and are in course of collection, but there yet remains a balance of Rupees 4,463-5-8, which is reported to be irrecoverable by reason of deaths, of desertion, and of the poverty of defaulters. In this amount is in-

* Vide Settlement Report to Board 10th Oct. 1861, paragraph 31. eluded a sum of Rupees 2,265-1-9, which has already been recommended* for remission, but as yet sanction has not been received and of this reported irrecoverable portion again Rupees 12-11-9 it seems has at a subsequent date been realized leaving Rupees 2,252-6-0, which sum together

with Rupees 2,210-15-8 since ascertained to be irrecoverable, and making a total of Rupees 4,463-5-8, I solicit sanction for writing off in the accounts of this Collectorate under the usual head of "Profit and Loss."

The Fasalwar particulars of these arrears are subjoined :-

	e				Land nue		5,69,693	Mis	cell ous	250053	Moti	rph	a.	То	tal.	
1264 1265 1266 1267 1268 1269			··· ··· ···		 87 82 13		P. 2 8 6 2 1	5 0 35	0 9 10 0 0	P. 0 0 2 0 10 10	0	A. 0 14 9 9 5	P. 0 5 8 9 8 4	87 128 23 22 113	3 10 8	1
1270		•••		• • •	989	6	0	158	8	2	252	6	8	1,400	4	1
				Total	 1,641	2	4	214	6	0	355	7	4	2,210	15	

^{72.} Under the heading Moturpha, the local Officers have certified that a portion is recoverable, but this they always do, and the arrear goes on from year to year unrealized. I have therefore included it in the foregoing amount to be struck off. The sum is trifling, and the

Moturpha tax having been abolished, all arrears under that head may be reasonably remitted.

73. XVIII. EXTENT TO WHICH COERCIVE PROCESS WAS EMPLOYED IN THE COLLECTION OF

Enclosure A in No. 13. Estimated value of the property attached. Fasli 1270. Fasl Fasli 1271. RS. A. P. 3,085,15 0 Real...... 10,320 11 11,685 11 11 Personal 6,786 12 0 Total.. 22,006 7 3 9,822 11 Value of the property actually sold. RS. 1,427 15 Personal..... 398 6 6 . 138 2 6 1,566 1 10

REVENUE.—It will be observed from the brief Statement in the margin, that the amount for which coercive measures were adopted is far less in this than in Fasli 1270, a fact very gratifying, and especially is it so when the excess of revenue in the present over the past year is had in remembrance, and such voluntary and comparatively punctual discharge of their obligations by the Ryots, offers undeniable evidence of the improved condition and

prospects of the agricultural classes, a circumstance of very deep importance to the Covernment and of peculiar interest to the executive, and in it the State have their reward for all those beneficent measures and wise reductions of late years which have so mainly contributed in bringing about the amelioration to which I here allude.

- 74. XIX. CHARGES.—The important Statement No. 14 contains the particulars of gross collections and charges together with the per centage of one to the other for Fasli 1271. The gross collections amount to Rupees 34,43,757-8-11, the disbursements to Rupees 2,95,912-3-0, leaving a surplus of Rupees 31,47,845-5-11, the per centage of charges to receipts is thus only 8½ this year while in the year preceding it was 9¼.
- 75. I will offer a few observations in regard to the fluctuations of the principal items of the charges.

Hoozoor and District Establishme	nt.			
Faslis.	RS.	0	5	
Increase	8,337	13	7	

76. The increase here shown is owing to the salaries of the new Sub-Magistrates and their Establishments including Saderward, all of which is merged in the revenue charges.

Extra Revenue.

Faslis.
1270.
1271
1271
1271
17,287
188. A. P.
9,721 10 4
17,287 9 11

77. This item of increase is owing to the payment of the salary of a Deputy Collector, Inam Commission and his Establishment, &c., who were for some time employed in the District, also to the payment of batta to the Hoozoor servants under the recent Order of Government, it is further made up by the pur-

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chase of country paper for writing village accounts, &c., and to the payment of batta for prisoners being debited to the same head (revenue charges).

	. A.	
1270 6,24	6 12	9
1271 9,50	3 8	4
Increase 3,26	1 11	7
Salt Manufacturer's share.		
	Α.	P.
1270	2 0	6
1270 86,28 1271 47,98	14	8
Decrease. 38,29	1	10

- 78. This increase is attributable to the salary of the Deputy Collector and his establishment having been debited under this head in the present year, whereas it was entered before under the general revenue charges.
- 79. The decrease here shown results from the falling off in the manufacture of Salt.
- 80. XX. WORKING OF THE NEW SYSTEM OF VILLAGE AND TALUK ACCOUNTS.—The new system of Village and Taluk accounts have been fully introduced in this District, and the working of both is successful.

- '81. XXI. A BRIEF REFERENCE TO THE REGISTER OF LANDS ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SER-VANTS.—From the returns rendered it does not appear that any land has been purchased or otherwise acquired in this District during the past Fasli by any Uncovenanted Officer employed in it.
- 82. This being the Fasli for the submission of the Quinquennial Returns, I beg to offer a few remarks on each containing such explanation as each Statement seems to call for.
- 83. This Statement shows a decrease of 159 in the total number of Villages and Hamlets in each Taluk in Fasli 1271 as compared with Fasli 1266. This decrease is accounted for by the recent transfer of a great part of the Chet-

put Taluk to the District of North Arcot. The various tenures under which the total villages of this District are severally held here, follow:—

	As per Fasli 1266.	As per Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease.
Ryotwar villages	3,126	3,002	35	159
Villages settled by rent	30	0	0	30
Amany		1	0	5
Shrotriem and Inam	70	70	1	1
	11	11	0 * 3*	0
Moottah	17	17	0	0
Total	3,260	3,101	36	195
	er of the second		Ne	t 159

84. Care has been taken to give effect to the Board's wishes, and I think the accuracy of this Statement No. 15 will bear testing.

Statement 16, number of Ryots, Puttahs, &c.

85. The increase under the various heads in this Statement is satisfactory. The prosperity it indicates may be traced to the recent

reductions in the Land Revenue which has led to so great an increase in the cultivation of land. There is nothing deserving of note in regard to the state of the cattle market, but cattle have increased in the District, notwithstanding the mortality has been considerable in the interval.

		As	per Fasli A 1266.	s per Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease.
Ryots Puttalis Ploughs Cattle	•		2,14,155 2,05,804 1,50,434 10,30,458	3,01,716 2,25,630 1,11,724 10,41,640	87,561 20,326 11,182	* 38,710
Decre	and T	'indeva nseque	num in Fash		in Trinomal- ges to North	28,000

86. This Statement will be found carefully prepared and to contain all the particulars require. The instructions detailed in the Board's Circular Proceedings, No. 1,846 of the 19th

	Census.	
	Charles Charles Land Control of the	Census of asli 1271.
Hindoos	10,75,699 40,890 19,879	10,87,639 26,703 14,088
Total Deduct population of the villages transferred to	11,35,961	11,28,430
North Arcot	39,777	
Net	11,02,184	11,28,430
	Increase	26,216

Statement No. 17.

March last, were duly observed, and every precaution has been taken to render these returns as accurate as possible; but I confess my belief that in this country a Statement of the kind can only be accepted as remotely correct, and I fear a wide margin must be allowed for the indifference and carelessness felt on the subject, and unless some system of registry be pursued such as that adopted in European countries through a paid agency, I am of opinion that it is hopeless to secure a really reliable Census of our Indian rural population. At first sight there appears in this Statement, which I have given in the margin, in an abstract form, a decrease

in the total population of the District, but when the inhabitants of the villages of Chetput transferred to North Arcot are deducted, there is an actual increase as shown of 26,246, and I think this increase must be viewed as very satisfactory. I am not of opinion that emigration from South Arcot has been so extensive as in any way visibly to affect the population; the greater number of emigrants who embark from Pondicherry is from more distant places.

87. Out of the total population 926,216 are reported to belong to the agricultural class and 202,214 to the non-agricultural. These two classes are made up of the persons described in paragraph 3 of the Board's Circular Proceedings already referred to, and the numbers are supposed to

1266.. 177,056 1271.. 177,132 Increase... 76

to tolerably correct. The houses in occupation of every description in the past year are said to number 76 over and above those in existence in Fasli 1266, the returns for the two periods are noted in the margin, and the increase is the result after deducting the villages transferred to North Arcot. The increase in the houses hardly bears due proportion to the alleged increase in the population.

• Statement No. 18.
Different sources of irrigation.

Sources of irrigation.	As per Fasli 1266.	As per Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease.
Government tanks both in repair and out of			-	
repair · ·	3,574	3,366	., 1	208
River channels do	760	1,100	340	
Spring do. do.,	302	299		3
Anicuts do	247			13
Private tanks	160	198	38	
Do. River channels do	9	6		
Do. Spring do. do	90	68		25
Do. Anicuts do	9	3		
(01)	25,271	16,829		8,442
Wells New	25,927	32,811	6,884	

S8. The Statement on this subject exhibits in detail the various sources of irrigation, the slight increase under the head of "River Channel Government" is the consequence of certain works made at the public cost for irrigating lands dependent on the Vellar anicut. The increase under the head of private tanks arises from the completion in the past year of a tank in the Taluk of Virdachellum at the cost of the

Ryots. The various items of decrease all relate to works in the villages transferred to North Arcot. The increase in the number of new wells as compared with the last return is satisfactory, and shows that the Ryots are alive to the fact that labour and capital so expended are profitable investments, because exempt from any additional tax.

89. The whole number of Puttahs distributed in the District are shown to be 2,25,630, of which those for small holdings under Rupees 10, amounts to 1,47,472.

Statement No. 19.

Rent Roll.

The number paying from 10 up to 30 is 52,756, making a total of 2,00,228 or 81 per cent on the total number of Puttahs issued.

Statement No. 20.
Ayacut and cultivation.

Ayacut both Circar and
Inam as per State-

mash.—Vide column 43... 79,119 29,69,325

Decrease... 1,02,367

Total Ayacut as Acres.
per column 3.. ... 11,41,185
Cultivation as per column 23.. ... 1,79,149
Remainder waste... 9,62,036

90. This Statement has been prepared with careful attention to the instructions. The total Circar and Inam Ayacut amounts to 29,69,325 acres, while in Fasli 1266 it was 30,71,692, the decrease of 1,02,367 acres is owing simply to the deduction on account of the 158 villages transferred from this District to North Arcot. The net amount in acres of Porumboke land is given in the margin extracted from the Statement, and it is expected that a very small proportion of this waste will be taken up for cultivation, the greater part being unfitted for the plough from its jungly and rocky nature.

91. The total Ayacutd educting Porumboke amounts to 19,25,101 acres, of which is cultivated acres 10,16,967, leaving as waste acres 9,08,134 inclusive of land unsuited for cultivation.

The following Statement gives the particulars :-

Total Ayacut deducting Porumboke, vide from columns 28 to 31.	Deduct cultivation, vide from columns 36 to 39.		Per centage of columns 1 and 3.
Dry 15,93,489 Wet 3,25,881 Garden 5,731	2,68,663	8,48,911 57,218 2,005	17
Total 19,25,101	10,16,967	9,08,134	47

Total Aya	cut, Vide 556 to 59.	Deduct culti- vaiton.—Vide from columns 64 to 67.	Net waste.— Vide from co- lumns 60 to 63,	Per centage of columns 1 and 3.
Dry Wet Garden	59,173 22,924 91		21,626 3,247 6	36 14 7
Total	82,188	57,309	24,879	30

92. The particulars of the total extent of Inam Ayacut noting the quantity under cultivation, and that which remains waste are entered in the margin as taken from the general Statement accompanying.

93. XXII. Remarks on the conduct of the Subordinate Officers.—It is in conclusion my pleasing task to bear my testimony to the zeal and capacity displayed by all with whom I have been brought into official connection during the past year, and through whose co-operation and joint labors I have been able to get through my own duties with comparative satisfaction to myself, and as I hope with equal satisfaction to all interested in proper administration. I joined the District early in March about the commencement of the hot season and at the most busy period of the year, and though from my long experience in India I could not of course be unacquainted with the duties devolving on me, still I had never before been in a Ryotwarry District properly so-called, and hence there was much that was practically new to me, but as will be seen my efforts to improve the revenue have not been wholly unsuccessful. Without in any way doing injustice to the Ryots, I have completely as I hope set a seal to the system of remissions so long prevalent in the District, and for which in my opinion the occasion as a rule has altogether ceased. I need hardly add that I have received the cordial support and aid of all my subordinates in carrying out my wishes and measures, and without which I could not have accomplished what I have. The Messrs. Hutchins, late my Head Assistant and Assistant, have left the District to my regret, for they at all times most ably performed all that was required of them, and I could not have desired more efficient Assistants.

94. Ever since I joined the District I have been without a Sub-Collector. For some time I did the duties myself, but from pressure of more important matters, I resigned their conduct to my late Head Assistant Mr. P. P. Hutchins, in addition to his own charge. For a short while Mr. A R. Hutchins succeeded to the Sub-Collector's division, and more recently Mr. J. Grose, my present Acting Head Assistant has had charge besides his own Taluks, and at present Mr. Grose is my only Covenanted Assistant. I will merely say of this Officer of whom I have now had some knowledge, that however he may lack experience, and he has, I believe been but two years in the country, the want is fully compensated for by those talents and habits of business which have already marked him as an able man, and one whose attainments and qualifications must of necessity gain for him a reputation and notice whenever the opportunity may present itself. It is also with great pleasure that I can testify to the zeal and efficiency of my Deputy Collector Mr. Wright, and with equal sincerity I may state that no Officers could have performed their respective functions more satisfactorily than the Deputy Collectors Teroovencata Charry and Mahomed Esuff Saib. Each exercises an immediate and responsible control over a distinct department, and to the respective merits of each Officer I have already had occasion to bear separate testimony. Of Mahomed Esuff Saib, I entertain a very high opinion.

95. Of my Serishtadar's devotion to his public duties and of the zeal and capacity he has always evinced in their discharge I cannot speak too highly; as the chief ministerial servant of my Office, I have necessarily been dependent on him for much information, and the accuracy of all data furnished by him combined with his aptitude in supplying it has greatly won my confidence. The other portion of the establishment have of course contributed their quota towards the efficient working of the executive machinery and generally to my satisfaction; but it is not usual to notice the servants of a lower grade, while in respect of those important Officers, the Tahsildars of the various Taluks in the District, I am sorry to say there is scarcely

one of them, of whom if called upon, I could with truth give a favorable report.

CUDDALORE, (Signed) C. W. REAL

18th October 1862.

(Signed) C. W. READE, Collector.

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(Signed) E. W. READE, Collector.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

TANJORE.

- 1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the result of the Revenue Administration of this District for Fasli 1271 (1861-62) with the usual Statements as per enclosed List.
- 2. PLACES AT WHICH J'AMMABANDI WAS MADE.—The Settlement of the field-assessed Taluks was made at the several stations and by the several Officers named below:—

Name of the Officer.	Name of the Taluk.	Stations where Jam- mabandi was made.	Dates on which Put- tahs were distributed
W. M. Cadell, Esq., Collector G. A. Ballard, Esq., Ag. Collector G. L. Morris, Esq., Ag. Collector G. L. Morris, Esq., Sub- Collector Collector Collector Collector Collector Collector Collector Collector Collector Collector	Do. Kadarambam villages Combaconum Pattukottai Mayaveram Shealli Nannilam	Vallam	{10th and 11th April 1862. 26th March 1862. {From 9th to 13th May 1862. 16th April ,- 19th do. ,, 7th do. ,,

CHANGES IN THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE VILLAGES.—3. The changes in the classification of the villages during the Fasli under report are specified below:—

					No.		
I. Olungu rented villa		urrent prices	as they s	stood			
in Fasli 1270			• • •		29 . '		
		Deduct					
Villages converted into	Mottamfaisal in	Fasli 1271.	'		15		
Do. brought under	Amani in	do			2.		
				-	1.77		
					17		
			Remain	der	12		
Add one village under	Amani in Fasli l	270, but which	h was br	ought			
under Olungu re	ent in Fasli 127	l			1		
					Total		13
II. Olungu villages un	naffected by curr	ent prices a	s they sto	nod in			
Fasli 1270		Prices a		,,,,,	246		
Deduct villages which	came under Ama	ni in Fasli I	271		2	•	
			Remain	der	244		

SETTLEMENT REPORT OF

Add

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	Aaa		
0	one village entirely waste in Fasli 1270, but which was brought		VALL TO
	under cultivation in Fasli 1271 Do. under Amani in Fasli 1270, but brought under Olungu this	1	
	year	1	
		2	246
1	II. Mottamfaisal villages as they stood in Fasli 1270	2,810	
	Add		
V	Villages under Olungu rent in Fasli 1270, but converted into Mot-		
	tamfaisal in Fasli 1271	15 "	
	this year	7	
		,22	2,832
	V. Grain rented villages as they stood in Fasli 1270	42	
A	dd one village under Amani in Fasli 1270, but which was brought under grain rent in Fasli 1271	1	
	Drought man g	Total	43
V	. Field-assessed villages as they stood in Fasli 1270	* *	1,818
	I. Amani villages as they stood in Fasli 1270	52	
	Deduct		
	Villages converted into Mottamfaisal Village brought under Olungu rent Do. brought under do. unaffected by price Do. transferred to grain rent	7 1 1	
		10	
	Remainder		
	Add	. 42	
١	Villages under Olungu in Fasli 1270, but brought under Amani in Fasli 1271	2	
	Do. under do. unaffected by current prices in Fasli 1270, but		
	which came under Amani this year	2	
		4	46
	Total Taraff or Government villages		4,998
,	VII. Inam, Moturpha, &c., villages as per the Report of the last year	r. 1,334	
	Deduct one village entirely waste in Fasli 1270, but which was		
	brought under cultivation this year		
			1,333
	VIII One village under the head of Forest Conservancy		1
	Grand	Total	6,332

- 4. PUTTAHS.—The total number of Puttahs under the Ryotwari Settlement during the Fasli under report was 39,762, of which 17,715 did not require to be renewed.
 - 5. SEASON AND RAIN-FALL.—The season was, on the whole, a favorable one, the total fall

Fasli 1270,	Fasli 1271
July 1861 1.54	2.68
August 0.94	2.48
September 2.29	7.4
October 11.91	1.54
November 1.9	12.73
December 12.2	1.17
January 1862 0.0	3.0
February 0.42	5.74
March 1.74	0.45
April 2.18	0.0
May 1.47	1.22
June 1:16	2.17
Total 36.79	40.22

of rain and the freshes in the rivers being above the average. The north-east monsoon arrived later than usual, the rain commencing early in November, and after coming down very heavily for a fortnight, almost totally ceasing. From this time to the end of December no rain fell, so that by that time many fears were begun to be entertained that the standing crops would be withered, but a timely fall in the first week in January averted this calamity, and the loss after all was slight and confined to some particular localities.

- 6. Out-turn, of the Harvest.—The out-turn was not below what might have been expected from the generally favorable character of the season with the exception of those crops which were injured by the want of rain in December; and in these, without doubt, the produce fell short. I must however remark that, generally speaking, the out-turn in late years has not been what it used to be ten or twelve years ago. The fact is undoubted, and must, I imagine, be attributed to the minor irrigation works not being so carefully looked after and kept in repair as was formerly the case.
- 7. Sanitary state.—No epidemic of any kind visited the District during the year under report, with the exception of some places where cholera made its appearance for a short period. In February last, the Mahamagam feast, which takes place once in twelve years, was celebrated at Combaconum. About 5,00,000 persons are said to have come to it this year from various parts of the Presidency, but no epidemic of any kind broke out amongst them, which speaks well for the sanitary state of this District.
 - Faslis. No. of Persons vaccinated.

 1270. 16,969
 1271. 18,487
 Increase. 1,518

 No. of Persons vaccinated.

 128,487
 Increase. 1,518

 The number of persons vaccinated as compared with that of the last year, but I cannot say that I think the benefits of vaccination are understood or appreciated. Many are vaccinated to please "the Circar," but few come voluntarily. Till education is more spread amongst all classes, I do not imagine that any very different result will be arrived at.

	**		,		Daddo
	Fo	or a K			Paddy
Standard price			RS. 0	-	P. 8 <u>3</u>
Commutation price of	Fasli	1270.	1	0	1159
	Fasli .				
Increase above the last	Fasli	1270.	0	0	945
Per centage				4	3 4
Increase above the sta	ndard		0	10	11.
Per centage				131	1.

- 9. PRICES.—The average rate of the commutation price, as fixed for the year under report according to the accounts of retail sales of paddy in villages, was Rupees 1-1-9⁺⁰/₆₄ per Kulam, which, as will be seen from the marginal note, is upwards of 131¹/₄ per cent. above the standard, and 4²/₄ per cent. above the commutation rate of the preceding Fasli. These very high prices appear to prevail everywhere, and not, in any way, to be confined to this District.
- 10. Ryots' Holding .- The subjoined Statement exhibits the Dittam, the actual cultiva-

tion, the waste charged, and the remissions granted in the year under report, as compared with the last Fasli:--

*	98 OF	Fasli	Fasli 1270. Fasli 1271.			Difference.									
Items.	of villages gardens.	Extent.	Sytont Basis 1	Extent.	Extent B	Extent	Extent	Extent	Extent	Beriz. Extent.	Beriz,	Incre	ase	Decre	oase,
	No. o	Zatout.	250122.			Extent.	Beriz.	Extent.	Beriz.						
1. Standard gross Dittam	4,998	Acres. 9,97,792	Rs. 41,68,086	Acres., 10,07,321	Rs. 41,93,617	Acres. 9,529	Rs. 25,531	Acres.	Rs.						
2. Deduct gross waste	••	1,01,646	2,21,528	86,727	1,79,890			14,919	41,638						
9. Cultivation		8,96,146	39,46,558	9,20,594	40,13,727	21,448	67,169	•••							
against the Ryots		64,622	1,28,369	70,367	1,41,162	. 5,745	12,793								
5. Total		9,60,768	40,74,927	9,90,961	41,54,889	30,193	79,962	••							
6. Nattupal	::	11,627 135 5,006 16,768	9,581	2,658	993 2,185 4,250	::	•	129 2,348 6,636	11,729 4,627 3,288 5,333 24,968						
		9,44,000	40,11,480	9,80,829	41,16,410	36,829	1,04,930								

The increase in the extent of Dittam and actual cultivation has arisen partly from the favorable character of the season, and partly from the high price of grain which is now so favorable to the cultivator, that all those who are industrious naturally endeavour to bring as much of their holdings into cultivation as they can. The holders of Olungu villages which have been lately converted into Mottamfaisal, in consequence of benefitting by the same cause, have also been-extending their area of cultivation.

Faslis.	Rs.
1270	1,56,606
1274	77,207
Decrease	79,399*
1266	1,40,772
1267	3,60,315
	8,66,408
	1,66,110
1270	1,56,606
Total	16,90,211
Average	3,38,042
li 1271	77,207
Remainder	2,60,885+
	1270 Decrease 1266 1267 1268 1269 Total Average Deduct the amount of Fas-li 1271

11. Remission — The subjoined Statement shows the total amount of remissions granted under different heads and in different classes of villages, from which it will be observed that the aggregate amount remitted during the year under report is below that of the last Fasli by Rupees 79,399,* and the average remission of the past five years by Rupees 2,60,835.† Although the amount of remission granted this year contrasts favorably with the last, and is the smallest sum which has ever come under this head, yet I am of opinion that, with care and attention, it may be still further reduced. During the time that I have been Sub-Collector of Tanjore, the subject has engaged my most earnest attention, and by last year introducing a system in which all Merasidars who wanted remission were required to show where their loss was situated, receiving all petitions myself in person

within certain fixed dates, and carefully appointing those who had to examine the reputed loss, the remission in the Sub-division has amounted to no more than Rupees 10,330 out of a revenue of 15,47,002 Rupees. This system I intend to introduce all over the District this year, and if the coming season be, in any way, as favorable as the one under report, I am confident that I shall be able to exhibit most favorable results to the Board. As long as the system of remission is allowed to continue, I do not think too much trouble can be taken in carefully supervising it, for it is a fearful source of demoralization both to the public servants and the Merasidars. All I ask of the Merasidars is that they should show their loss, and for this purpose, I insist that the number of the fields said to be waste or withered be entered in detail in their petitions; this being once done, it is comparatively easy not only to examine

the fields but to so supervise the Inspectors, that they will think twice before they send in false Returns. The revenue of Tanjore is so large that it has become customary to look upon the loss of half a lakh more or less as nothing; but I cannot see why half a lakh lost here is of less consequence to the Government than the same sum lost in any other District.

12. SUNDRY ITEMS.—The small decrease under the head of Sundry items of Land Revenue, the particulars of which are fully exhibited in the Appendix to Statement No. 4, has arisen chiefly from certain jungle, fish, chank rents, &c., which were hitherto comprised under the head of "Sundry items," having been transferred to that of "Sayer or Extra revenue" from the

month of May last, according to the revised form for the Account Current given by the Accountant General.

13. Sugar-cane, Cotton, and Indigo.—The extent of land cultivated with Sugar-cane,

	Fasli 1268.	Fasli 1269.	Fasli 1270.	Fasli 1271.	Increae over Fasli [1270.	Decrease.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
Sugar-cane	460	310	320	445	125	
Cotton	1,756				1,577	
Indigo	866	881	1,994	2,941	947	
Total	3,082	2,227	2,890	5,539	2,649	

Cotton, and Indigo in Fasli 1271 is exhibited in the marginal table as compared with similar Returns for previous years. It shows a progressive increase of 2,649 acres in the total area cultivated over that of the past year; and of this increase it will be observed that 1,577 acres are due to the cultivation of Cotton. This District is not a Cotton-growing District, as the Board are well

aware, and I cannot therefore hold out any hopes that Cotton will ever be very extensively cultivated. There are parts of it, however, in the south and west where the soil appears favorable for the cultivation of this product, and I have every reason for supposing that the natives of those parts would have no objection to cultivate it, if they could see their way towards obtaining a market for the sale of the same.

14. RESULT OF THE LAND REVENUE SETTLEMENT.—The following Statement exhibits the result of the settlement of Land Revenue for the Fasli under report as compared with the preceding year. There is a net increase of Rupees 1,15,625 as shown below:—

Items.	Fasli 1270.	Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease.	
and the second s	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Peishcush on Palaiapats or Permanently set-	01 404	32,025	591		
tled Estates			58,809		
One year's rent	DO ON DON		52,536		
Jodi on Shrotriem, &c				2,248	
Amani	1		118	7,169	
Redemption of quit-rent on Inams, &c Sayer or Extra Revenue	10 41-	$\frac{118}{29,403}$	12,988		
Sayer of Extra revenue	20,110		,-		
Total	42,53,448	43,69,073	1,25,042	9,417	
		Net	1,15,625		

The increase under the head of Peishcush or Palaiapat has arisen from water cess charged on dry land converted into wet, and that under the items of One year's rent, and Ryotwari from the favorable season and high price. The amount of Rupees 118 under the head of "Redemption of quit-rent on Inams, &c.," has been newly collected in this year according to the Inam

rules; and "Sayer" is a new item transferred to the head of "Land Revenue" from "Extra Sources of Revenue" as per the headings given in the new Account Current. The increase under this last item has been occasioned by only two months' collections having been credited under Extra Revenue in Fasli 1270, whilst the whole year's collection has been brought to account in the Fasli under report. The decrease under the items of Jodi on Shrotriems, &c., and Amani has been caused by some land in certain Ardhamaniam, as well as Amani villages not having been properly cultivated, owing to the failure of freshes in the river Vadavar by which many of those villages are irrigated.

15. RESULT OF THE SETTLEMENT OF ALL SOURCES OF REVENUE.—The subjoined general abstract of all the sources of revenue exhibits, in one view, the result of the Revenue Settlement of this District for Fasli 1271 as compared with the preceding year:—

The boundary was all the same of the same	1			
Items.	Fasli 1270.	Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease.
				•
				-
NO PARESTALL	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Peishcush on Palaiapats or Permanently settled				
Estates	31,434	32,025	591	100 March 100 Ma
Ryotwari Settlement	11,93,427	12,52,236	58,809	
One year's rent	28,87,387	29,39,923	52,536	
Jedi on Shrotriem, &c	95,093	92,845		2,248
Amani	29,692			7,169
Redemption of quit-rent on Inams, &c		118	118	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
Sayer or Extra Revenue	16,415	29,403	12,988	160
Total	42,53,448	43,69,073	1,25,042	9,417
		Net	1,15,625	COMPANIES AND THE PROPERTY OF
Abkarry	2,25,670	3,12,400	86,730	
Miscellaneous or Interest on arrears of revenue,	1	F 040		0.01
or refund of charges	15,563		10.070	9,61
Income Tax	95,298 39,174		18,056	39,17
Moturpha	4,43,078		***	1,45,289
1,700 0 0	78,176			23,82
Land Customs	7,36,794		1,11,484	
Stamps	2,85,331	I so to a section of		
Total Sundry Sources	19,19,084	19,96,826 Net increa	2,95,645 se 77,742	
Total Land and Sundry Sources	61,72,532	63,65,899	4,20,687	2,27,320
Extra Revenue	. 28,659			28,65
and the second s	62,01,191	63,65,899	4,20,687	2,55,97
Grand Total	02,01,101	00,00,00		
	Harriston Marie Maragaran	Net	1,64,708	

16. SUNDRY SOURCES OF REVENUE.—The revenue from Sundry Sources for the Fasli under report shows, as will be seen from the above abstract, an increase of Rupees 77,742 over and above that of the preceding year.

Faslis. 1270 . 1271		Rs. 2,25,670 3,12,400
	Increase	86,730
Faslis.		Rs.
1270		15,563
1271		5,948
		-
	Decrease	9,615
		•
Faslis.		Rs
1270		95,298
1271		1,13,354
1. 12	Increase	18,056

17. ABKARRY.—The increase in this item of revenue has resulted from the farming of the Abkarry having been put up to public auction in June 1861, for a period of five years from Fasli 1271 to 1275.

18. INTEREST.—The decrease under this head is entirely owing to a smaller amount of arrears on which interest is charged having been left at the commencement of the Fasli under report than that in the preceding year.

19. Income Tax.—Under this branch of revenue there is an increase of Rupees 18,056 above the preceding year, which has arisen partly from the incomes of certain additional parties having been brought under the tax, and also from the amount

collected under Schedules Nos. 3 and 4 being greater than in the previous year.

Faslis.	Rs.
1270	4,43,078
1271	2,97,789

20. Sea Customs.—The decrease in the Sea Custom collections amounts to Rupees 1,45,289, and has been caused, 1stly, by a less quantity of Railway Stores having been imported during the year under report than in the preceding one; 2ndly, by the exportation of

Rice and Paddy to the Ceylon market having fallen off very much, in consequence of that Island being now largely supplied with those articles from Arracan and Bengal; and 3rdly, by a diminished importation of Pepper and Piece goods, &c.

Faslis. 1270 1871	Rs. 78,176 54,851
Decrease	23,825

21. LAND CUSTOMS.—Under this head there is a net decrease of Rupees 23,825. The decrease has been only in the Exports, and is to be attributed to a less quantity of Rice, Gingely oil, and Cloth having been taken across the frontier to Karikal for shipment to Ceylon than in the last year.

Faslis.	Rs.
1270	7,36,794
1271	8,48,278
Increase	1.11.484

22. Salt.—Under the head of Salt Revenue there is an increase of Rupees 1,11,484 above the preceding year, as shown in the margin, caused by the enhanced price introduced during the early part of the year under report, and which has more than made up for the falling off in the

	Fasli 1270.	Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease.
			Ind, Mds	Ind. Mds.
Home consumption	3,89,517			7,119
Inland sales for Salem District	1,08,972	36,714		72,258
. Coimbatore do	66,130	80,520		
, Triehinopoly do	41,155	55,861	14,706	
" Madura do	9,859	5,227		4,632
" South Arcot do	2,779	446		2,333
Karikal do	14,400			2,400
Exports	21,120		21,781	••
Total	6,53,932	6,16,067	50,877	88,742

Net decrease 37,865

amount sold. The falling off in the sales has been under the head of Inland, chiefly for the Salem District, as will be seen from the marginal table, and is attributable to the fact of the Salem market being now supplied with Salt by the Railway from the Madras depôt. There is no reason for supposing that the enhancement of the monopoly price has had any depressing effect on the trade. During the last two or three months

the sales at Negapatam have very largely increased. Traders now take advantage of the Railway as a means of transport, and in consequence of the salt manufactured there this year being of a superior quality, it finds a most ready sale: indeed so much is it preferred that I have been compelled to make buyers purchase a certain quantity of old salt as well as new; if I did not

do this, we should experience much difficulty in disposing of the old salt now in hand. A full report on the Vedaraniam Salt, and the advisability of cutting a canal from Negapatam to Vedaraniam was sent in by Mr. Ballard in April last, and there is no doubt that, if sanction be obtained for the proposed scheme, a very great impetus will be given to the Salt trade of this District.

Faslis.	Rs.
1270	2,85,331
1271	3,64,706
Increase	79.375

- 23. STAMPS.—Under this branch of revenue there is an increase of Rupees 79,375 above the preceding year. This is attributable not only to the efficient working of Act XXXVI of 1860, but also to the introduction of the new Law of Limitation, Act XIV of 1859, which caused a very large number of Stamps to be purchased in the month of December last.
- 24. MOTURPHA AND EXTRA REVENUE.—The Moturpha tax having been abolished under Act XVIII of 1861, and the item of "Extra Revenue" transferred to that of "Sayer" under the head of "Land Revenue," as well as under each head respectively of other sources of revenue, according to the new form given by the Accountant General for the Account Current, there has been no collection under these two items in the Fasli under report.
- 25. Collections, Current.—The following Statement exhibits the total demand amounting to Rupees 63,65,899, including all sources of revenue. Out of this, Rupees 62,87,871 were collected within the close of the Fasli, leaving a balance of Rupees 78,028, or below 1 per cent. on the whole demand, which I trust the Board will deem satisfactory. The balance has been reduced by subsequent collections up to 31st July to Rupees 43,708:—

· Items.	Total demand.	Collections within the Fasli.	Balance.	Subsequent Collections.	Remainder.	Remarks.
7)	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	RS,	
Settled	32,025 92,845	31,434 89,297	591 3,548		591 2,831	
One year's rent	41,92,159	41,54,529	37,630	24,609	13,021	
Ryot ari Settlement	22,523	22,161	362	279	83	
Inams, &c	118	118				
· Total	43,39,670	42,97,539	42,131	25,605	16,526	
Sayer or Extra Revenue	. 29,403	28,361	1,042	705	337	
Total, Land	43,69,073	43,25,900	43,173	26,310	16,863	
Abkarry Miscellaneous or Interest on arrears of revenue, or re-	3,12,400	3,09,188	3,212	3,212		
fund of charges	5,948 , 1,13,354		27,891	1,743	26,148	
Sea CustomsLand Customs	2,97,789 54,351		2,721	2,721		
Salt	8,48,278		697		697	
Stamps	3,64,706	3,64,372	334	334		
Total Sundry Sources	19,96,826	19,61,971	34,855	8,010	26,845	
Fotal Land and Sundry Sources	63,65,899	62,87,871	78,028	34,320	43,708	

26. ARREARS.—As will be seen from Statement No. 13, the total amount of arrears of revenue outstanding at the beginning of the year under report was Rupees 3,07,280, of which Rupees 1,44,045 have since been recovered, and Rupees 43,942 remitted under the sanction of

Vide Ex. Mins. Cons. 22nd July 1859.

* Vide letter to Board, dated \$1st January 1862, No. 38.

Government, thus leaving a balance of Rupees 1,19,293. Of this balance a sum of Rupees 81,621 has been recommended* to the Board to be written off as irrecoverable, and Rupees 1,443 will be remitted (according to the sanction of Government) as soon as certain Olungu villages are converted into Mottamfaisal. After deducting the whole

of the above, the remainder of the arrears amount to Rupees 36,229. Necessary measures have already been adopted for the collection of the recoverable portion; and for such as are irrecoverable and will have to be written off, a separate report will be submitted to the Board without delay. I am sure I need not add how important it is that irrecoverable balances should be written off with as little delay as possible, for they not only swell and complicate the accounts, but also lead to oppression and peculation on the part of public servants.

27. VALUE OF PROPERTY SOLD FOR ARREARS.—The subjoined Abstract Statement shows that there is a considerable decrease in the amount realized in the year under report by the sale of property in satisfaction of the arrears of Land Revenue as compared with that of the preceding Fasli. The high price of grain, and the favorable season of the year under report have, of course, had their share in producing this favorable result:—

	Faslis.	Estimat prop	ed value erty attac	of the hed.	Value of property sold.		
-	To the State of State	Real.	Personal.	Total.	Real.	Personal.	Total.
1	1070	RS. 66,591	RS.	RS. 84.967	RS. 12,080	RS,	RS. 14,763
- 1		32,278	19,926	52,201			

28. RECEIPTS AND CHARGES.—The following table shows in the abstract the actual receipts and charges under different heads for the year under report as compared with the result of the preceding Fasli, from which it will be seen that there is an aggregate increase of Rupees 19,736 in receipts, and Rupees 55,332 in charges:—

Items.	Receipts.		Charges.		Per centage of charges on re- ceipts.	
	Fasli 1270.	Fasli. 1271.	Fasli. 1270.	Fasli. 1271.	Fasli. 1270.	Fasli. 1271.
zi (Current		RS. 42,97,118		RS.		a. N
Current			5,51,731	5,83,364	$12rac{7}{32}$	$13\frac{1}{32}$
Total	-	44,75,132	}			
Abkarry	$ \begin{array}{c c} 2,31,522 \\ 78,375 \\ 40,283 \end{array} $	1,02,252	1,429 241	2,677	$1_{\frac{5}{6}\frac{3}{4}}^{\frac{3}{6}\frac{9}{4}}$	2 <u>5</u>
Moturpha	4,57,662	2,97,789	8,832 3,147		$\frac{1}{1}\frac{5}{6}$ $3\frac{7}{8}$	255 458
Salt	7,55,190 2,96,833			63,318 24,768	$\frac{5\frac{3}{3}\frac{1}{2}}{6\frac{5}{8}}$	$7\frac{30}{64}$ $6\frac{11}{16}$
Total	64,55,212	64,74,948	6,30,103	6,85,435	949	105
Increase		19,736	Increase	55,332		

29. Collections.—Under the head of Land Revenue, there is a net decrease of Rupees 39,809, resulting from a gross increase of Rupees 1,98,045 in the collections on account of the "Current" Demand, and a gross decrease of Rupees 2,37,854 in those on account of "Arrears." The former is due partly to increased cultivation, and the comparatively small amount of remissions granted during the year under report, and partly to the greater punctuality with which, under the combined influence of a favorable season and high prices, the demand has been realized. The latter, viz., the decrease in the collections for arrears, is attributable simply to the fact that the amount of arrears of former years, which stood at the beginning of the year under review, was much smaller than that which remained to be recovered in the preceding one.

Increase Rupees 12,209.

30. SAYER OR EXTRA REVENUE.—On referring to Statement No. 14, it will be seen that, under the head of Sayer or Extra Revenue, there is an increase of Rupees 12,209; this has arisen from the revenue of the resumed Mokasa villages, as well as the collections on account of extra cultivation, &c., which were previously under deposit, having been brought to account.

Decrease Rupees 11,469.

31. Interest.—This decrease in interest is owing to the small amount of arrears on which interest is chargeable having been collected in the year.

Increase Rupees 23,877.

32. INCOME TAX.—The increase in Income tax has arisen chiefly from the collection of the arrears due for the fourth quarter of 1860-61.

Decrease Rupees 40,283.

33. MOTURPHA.—The decrease in Moturpha is owing to that tax having been abolished.

34. OTHER ITEMS.—The causes of the variations in the receipts of other items, viz., Abkarry, Sea Customs, &c. having been already explained, it is not necessary to again repeat them.

Salary of Collectors, &c. Decrease Rupees 8,626. 35. Charges.—This decrease is caused by Mr. Cadell being absent on sick certificate, and the Deputy Collectors now in the District being of the lower classes.

Decrease Rupees 26,454.

36. Huzur and District Establishments.—This decrease is owing partly to the non-payment of the Nat Curnum's establishment from the month of May last, in consequence of the Civil Paymaster having objected to pass the same, and partly to the disbursements of salary having been made for 13 months in the preceding year, and for 12 months in this.

Charges not chargeable to any particular source of Revenue.

Increase Rupees. 54,714

37. Extra Revenue.—This increase has arisen from certain disbursements of the arrears of Pagoda allowances, &c. having been made in the year under report.

Increase Rupees.. 11,493. 38. MEDICAL REVENUE CHARGES.—This increase has arisen from the salaries of Civil Surgeons and other Medical Officers having been charged in the accounts of the Revenue Department.

Increase Rupecs.. 18,508. 39. SALT MANUFACTURER'S SHARE OR KUDIVARAM.—The payment of certain arrears due under this head for the preceding Fasli having been made in the year under report has caused this increase.

- 40. The fluctuations in the remaining items of charges being inconsiderable, call for no remark.
- 41. Tax on Arts and Trades.—This item of revenue has been excluded from the accounts of the settlement for Fasli 1271, as the tax was abolished in the year in which it was introduced. The total demand on account of this tax, and the amount collected up to the date of its aboli-

Total demand for Fasli 1271	Rs. 2,00,696	A, 0	P, 0
dated of the abolition of the Tax Amount already refuuded	21,754		0
Amount arready resulted	21,559	8	0
Do, remaining to be refunded	1,94	8	3

tion are shown in the margin, from which it will be seen that, out of the collections, Rupees 21,559-8-0 have already been refunded to the parties from whom they were collected, and that there are still Rupees 194-8-0 remaining to be

re-paid. This has not been done as yet in consequence of these parties being absent; but measures have been taken to make them come and receive the same without any further delay.

42. LANDS ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.—The extent of lands acquired by public servants by purchase and by inheritance during the year under report is shown in the subjoined Statement, and does not call for any remarks:—

•	Fasli 1270.	Fasli 1271.	Increase.	Decrease.
Acquired by purchase	Acres. 143 3	Acres. 34	Acres.	Acres. 109
Total	146	37		109

- 43. Taluk and Village Accounts.—The only Taluks in which the new forms of accounts both Village and Taluk can be said to have been thoroughly introduced are Shealli, Mayavaram, and Nannilam. I took great interest in the subject of the accounts whilst Sub-Collector, and was so very ably assisted by the Sub-division Sheristadar, Suriamurtia Pillay, that I can, without hesitation, say that the Gumastas and Curnums in the Sub-division are beginning not only to understand them, but also to appreciate them. I regret that I cannot report so favorably of the remaining Taluks of the District; at the best the accounts have been but partly introduced there, and the Nat Curnums are still allowed to have charge of them, thus acting directly contrary to the rules laid down in the Manual. I shall do my best during the present year to cause a reform in this particular, and trust to be able to give a better report at the end of another twelve months. Much as I may regret the loss of the Mahanam Nat Curnums as regards examination of crops and out-door work generally, I have no hesitation in saying that their room will be preferable to their company with respect to the new system of accounts, they being the parties who in every way try to thwart their introduction.
- 44. QUINQUENNIAL RETURNS.—Adverting to the Board's Circular (Standing) No. 1,846, dated 19th Merch last, I have the honor to state that the whole of the Quinquennial accounts not being quite ready, they will be forwarded in the course of a few days, with the necessary remarks opposite any items which may require such.
- 45. Conduct of Subordinates.— Having been but a very short time in charge of the District, I am unable to say much regarding the conduct of the public servants. The Firka Sub-Magistrates are, as a rule, incompetent and incapable of working the Penal and Procedure Codes. I deeply regret that they should not be compelled to pass an examination within a certain fixed period, and removed from their appointments if they failed in doing so. The Acting Sub-Collector reports very favorably regarding Suriamurtia Pillay, the Sub-division Sheristadar, and I have much pleasure in saying that I fully concur with Mr. Plumer's opinion of him. Venkasami Rao, the Tahsildar of Shealli, is a very able public servant, and will no doubt, in time, rise to the highest appointments; Mr. Ballard reported him very favorably to the Board, and I can with truth do the same. Vasu Deva Rao, Tahsildar of Mayaveram; Chokkalingam Pillay, Tahsildar of Nannilam; and Ramasami Aiyar, late Acting Tahsildar of Puttukottai, have given me much satisfaction by the way in which they have collected the Government revenue.

TANJORE, 7th August 1862. (Signed) G. L. MORRIS,

Acting Collector.

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(Signed) G. L. MORRIS,

Acting Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE

1. I have the honor to submit the Annual Report on the Settlement of the Land and Extra Sources of Revenue in the Sub-division of Tanjore for Fasli 1271 (A. D. 1861-62), together with 12 Statements and their enclosures prepared in the prescribed form.

The Settlement was completed previous to my taking charge of this Office, and I am therefore unable to do more than furnish the usual report and accounts.

2. I.—VILLAGES AT WHICH THE SETTLEMENT WAS MADE.—The settlement was commenced on the 7th, and concluded on the 19th April 1862.

The stations at which the settlement of each Taluk was made, and the dates on which the distribution of Puttahs took place, are particularized in the following Statement:—

• Taluks.	Stations where the Jama- bandi was made.	The date on which the distri- bution of Futtahs took place.
	Kolmangudi	7th April 1862.
Mayaveram	Kasba Mayaveram Kasba Shiyali	16th ,, ,, 19th ,, ,,

II.—VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER AND TENURES OF VILLAGES.—The number of villages under each description of settlement prevailing in the Sub-division is shown below: Olungu rented, affected by prices as per last year's account Deduct villages converted into gross rented in this year... Remaining... Olungu, rented unaffected by prices... Gross rented in Fasli 1270... ... 881 Add Olungu rented in last, and gross rented in this year... Add under Amani in last, and gross rented in this year... Add under Suthapal in last, and gross rented in this year 1 894 Under Amani in Fasli 1270... 12 Deduct villages brought to gross rented in this year... Remaining ... 1,047 Field assessed... 69 Shrotriem, &c., in Fasli 1270... Deduct Suthapal village brought to Mottafaisal... Deduct Moturpha villages as Moturpha tax is abolished... Remaining-•13 Shrotriem ... 47 Survamaniem... Money rented ... Grain rented ...

- 4,352 Puttahs (as noted in the foot note under column 4 of the Statement No. 1) were not renewed in the year under report, as no change had taken place in the extent or assessment of the Ryots' holdings since the previous year.
- 5. III.—Season, &c.—The season was on the whole a favorable one; the rain that fell in November was of the greatest possible use, and presented a favorable contrast to the drought which prevailed in the corresponding month of last year; in October and December the fall of rain was unusually scanty, but on the whole the out-turn of the harvest was satisfactory; dry crops suffered slightly from the failure of rain in March and April.

Subjoined is a Statement showing the quantity of rain which fell in each month of the Fasli under report, according to the guages kept in the Taluks in comparison with the last Fasli.

Mont	hs.		Fasli	1270.	Fasli, 1271.
July				11/2	23
August.	•••		, ,	10	2
September				21	101
October				16	11
November				0	221
December	***			$16\frac{3}{4}$	$0\frac{1}{2}$
January				0	23
February			**	0	$6\frac{1}{2}$
March				21	0
April				21.	0
May				1	01
June				13	4
	To	tal	4	14.7	$53\frac{1}{4}$

187 Attacked ..

The sanitary condition of the people in the Sub-division has been very good. Cholera made its appearance as usual but in a mild form; the mortality occasioned thereby shows a great decrease as compared with last year.

6.629 Vaccinated .. 6,295 Successful. 334 Unsuccessful ...

The vaccinators in the Division have been doing their duties satisfatorily, and the number vaccinated by them during the Fasli, together with the particulars showing the number of successful and unsuccessful cases, is given in the margin.

8. IV .- PRICES OF GRAIN.-The price of grain still continues extraordinarily high, being as is shown below considerably more than 100 per cent above the standard rate.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Standard price	 0	7	8 3 6
Commutation price of Fasli 1271	 1	1	85
Increase above the standard price	0	10	0,7
Per centage	•••	130	5 6

V .- RYOTS' HOLDINGS. VI. ACTUAL CULTIVATION. VII. WASTE CHARGED AND REMIT-TED.—The subjoined Statement exhibits the Ryots' holdings and actual cultivation with the Beriz, the waste charged and waste remitted to the Ryots in Faslis 1270 and 1271.

	F	asli 1270.			Fs	ısli 1271.		-	Inc	crease.		P De	ecrease.	
Items.	Extent.	Beriz.			Extent.	Beriz,	ALL STREET, SALES		Extent.	Beriz.	-	Extent.	Beriz.	
Ryots' holdings	Acres. 8,36,453	15,30,938	A. 11	P. 0		Rs. 15,47,001	A. 8	P. 9	Acres, 3,759	RS. A. 16,062 13	P. 9	Acres	RS. A.	Р.
Waste remitted	7,970	32,103	11	7	1,801	7,336	12	11				6,169	24,766 14	8
Remainder. Cultivation Waste charged	3,13,033 45,450	14,64,964 33,870			3,15,999 22,412	14,88,918		11		23,954 2				
Total		14,98,834		_		15,89,664		10		10,875 10 40,829 12			****	************
DEDUCT, Shavi or withered										The second second second			-4-1	
Stalakammi Short produce		8,434 3,078 2,509	10	8	343	1,610 1,349	7	2	***	••••		1,824 439	$\begin{array}{ccc} 1,729 & 3 \\ 2,509 & 7 \end{array}$	10
Cowle remission. Total	2,960	14,102				$\frac{24}{2,992}$			17100000 programme			2,265	55 15 11,109 15	-
Net amount of Set- tlement		14,84,732	0	7	3,37,716	15,86.671	12	10	12,193	51,939 12	9	3		

- 10. The increase in the Ryots' holdings is owing to some wastelland having been brought into cultivation in this year, but the decrease in the waste remitted, Shavi, &c., and the increase in the waste charged is attributable to the favorable character of the season, and to the small amount of remission given this year as compared with last year.
- 11. The amount of waste charged as shown in the above Statement is that which was not remitted to certain Ryots, who wilfully neglected to cultivate their lands, and whose total waste bore but a small proportion to their entire holdings.
- 12. VIII.—Remission.—The following Abstract Statement exhibits the remission granted in the Ryotwari and gross rented villages, &c., as compared with Fasli 1270:—

	Fas 127		Ingraage					Decrease.				
	Rs.	Α,	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P,	Rs.	A.	P.
Shavi	8,434	9	2	1,619	4	7				6,815	4	7
Stalakammi	3,078	10	8	1,349	7	2				1,729	3	6
Short produce	2,509	7	10							2,509		10
Cowle remission	80	3	2	24	3	3	•••	• • •		55	15	11
Total	14,102	14	10	2,992	15	0				11,109	15	10

- 13. The smallness of the amount granted for remission is attributable partly to the favorable nature of the season, but chiefly to the admirable success of the plan adopted by the late Sub-Collector, as detailed in his report for last year, and to the great exertions made by him to prevent any thing like fraud: he personally inspected a greater portion of the Tars and Nattupal lands for which remission was claimed, and besides exercised the strictest and most salutary control over all the subordinates deputed by him to examine the lands not examined by himself.
- 14. IX.—SUNDRY ITEMS.—The item of remission on Sundry items requires no remark, there not being any remission granted under this head.

15. X.—EXTENT OF LAND CULTIVATED WITH SPECIAL PRODUCTS.—The following gives a comparative view of the extent of land cultivated with Sugar-cane, Cotton, and Indigo in Fasli 1270 and 1271:—

	- 1	Fasli 1	270			Fasli 1	271	•		Increa	ase.			Deci	rease.	
Products.	Extent.	В	eriz.		Extent.		Beri	ź.	Extent.	B	Seriz		Extent.		Beriz	š.
Sugar-cane	Acs. 169	RS. 1,036	A. 4	P. 0		RS. 2,104	A. 5	P. 7	Acs. 136	RS. 1,068	7. 1	P. 7	Acs.	RS.	Α.	P
Cotton Indigo	92 46		10 12	2 11	434 84		5	8	342	447	15 8	9		•••		•
Total	307	1,165	11	1	823	2,730	4	7	516	1,534	9	6	·			

- 16. The increase under this head is owing to proprietors having, to a small extent, participated in the greater interest which has lately been taken in the cultivation, and to the increased demand existing for all such products.
- 17. XI, XII and XIII.—THE LAND AND SUNDRY SOURCES OF REVENUE AND SEVOY JAM-MA INTEREST.—The general result of the Settlement of the Land and Sundry Sources of Revenue for Fashi 1271, as compared with Fashi 1270, will be found in the following Statement:—

Items.	Last Fasli.	Present Fasli.	Increase.	Decrease.
Jodi of Shrotriem, &c	Rs. 6,368 9,36,726 5,74,310 2,507	Rs. 6,399 9,65,573 5,98,492 2,753	88. 31 28,847 24,182 246	Rs
* Total	15,19,911	4 15,73,217	53,306	
Abkarry Moturpha Stamps Extra Revenue Interest	93,447 18,213 36,376 6,283 11,437	1,42,200 43,635 3,720 637	48,753 7,259 	 13,213 2,563 10,800
Total	16,80,667	17,63,409	1,09,318	26,576

Net Increase 82,742

- 18. The additional cultivation, and the small amount of remission granted this year, will account for the increase under the head of Land Revenue. The Moturpha tax has been abolished since last year. In Extra Revenue the decrease is accounted for by the fact of the greater number of the items formerly entered under that head being now permanently included in the regular account. The smallness of the old balance at the beginning of the year under report will be a sufficient explanation of the decrease under the head of Interest.
- 19. XIV.—DEMAND, COLLECTION AND BALANCE.—The annexed Statement shows the Demand, Collection, and Balance of all sources of Revenue for Fasli 1271.

	Demand.	Collection.	Balance.	Subsequent Collection.	Balance.
Jodi on Shrotriem, &c Ryotwar, &c Amani	6,399 15,64,065 2,753	6,899 15,61,370 2,753	 2,695	1,067	1,628
Total	15,73,217	15,70,522	2,695	1,067	1,628
Abkarry Moturpha Stamps Extra Revenue Interest	1,42,200 43,635 3,720 637	1,42,200 43,635 3,720 637			
Total	17,63,409	17,60,714	2,695	1,067	1,628

20. Of the total demand of Rupees 17,63,409, the sum of Rupees 17,60,714 was realized within the Fasli: and during the 10 days which have elapsed since its close, a further sum of Rupees 1,867 has been collected, thus making the total collections amount to Rupees 17,61,781, and the balance to Rupees 1,628, 3 per cent on the entire demand.

This unusually small balance will be speedily collected: it is entirely owing to the objections made by certain Mirasidars to having certain extra cultivation added to their demand. Propose making a special report upon the balance at the end of this month.

21. XV. -DEMAND, COLLECTION AND BALANCE OF ARREARS. -The following Statement exhibits the collections in Fasli 1271 of arrears of all sources of Revenue for former Faslis:-

	e be- f the	With	in the I	Fasli.	the Fasli.	Collec- to 10th			Balance.		-
Faslis.	Arrears at the ginning of Fasli.	Collected.	Remitted.	Total.	Balance at close of the	Subsequent Ctions ap to July.	Recoverable.	Doubtful.	Irrecovera- ble, recom- mended for remission.	Total.	Remarks.
1270 1269 1268 1267 1266	34,377 813 2,138 279 689	34,269 112 67 139 669	634 89	34,269 112 701 228 669	108 701 1,437 51 20		::	91	108 701 1,346 51 20	, 108 701 1,437 51 20	
	38,296	35,256	723	35,979	2,317			91	2,226	2,317	

22. The arrears for former years amounted at the commencement of Fasli 1271 to Rupees 38,296. Of this sum Rupees 35,256 were collected within the Fasli, and Rupees 723 were remitted upon certain Olungu villages becoming permanently fixed, thus leaving at the close of the Fasli a balance of Rupees 2,317; and of this Rupees 91 must be classed as doubtful, and Rupees 2,226 as ir:ecoverable.

23. XVI.—DOUBTFUL AND IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS.—The doubtful balance is to be remitted in case the defaulters of an Amani village agree to sign Faisal Muchilkas as proposed to them, otherwise it is to be collected from them. With regard to the irrecoverable balance, several letters and yadasts have been sent from this office, requesting that orders should be given to have the amount struck of; the orders have not as yet been received.

24. XVII.—Coercive process.—The following Statement exhibits the extent to which landed and personal properly was zufted and sold for the recovery of arrears of revenue:—

P	rocess issu		ated val		Property sold.									
Number of Vil- lages.	Fumber	Amount of arrears.	Land.	Perso- nal.	Total.	La	nd.	Perso	onal.	Total.				
	of Ryots.					Value.	Value sold.	Value.	Value sold.	Value.	Value sold.			
63	134	THE WAY TO SEE WITH THE WORK OF THE PARTY OF						6.7650 (25.000) (5.000)	210		253			

- 25. The difference between the value of property zufted and that sold, is owing to many of the defaulters having paid their balances previous to the sale of their zufted property.
- 26. XVIII.—Charges.—The Statement of charges is not furnished, as these accounts are kept in your office for the whole District.
- 27. XIX.—Working of the New system of Taluk and Village accounts.—The new systems of Taluk and village accounts are now thoroughly introduced into the whole of the Subdivision, chiefly owing to the great exertions made by the late Sub-Collector to arouse in the minds of the Taluk Muzamdars and Goomastahs a sense of their simplicity and compactness as compared with the old forms. During the time of Jamabandi all the Taluk accounts in the Sub-division were personally examined by the Sub-Collector, and found to be correctly prepared. The accounts of 984 villages were likewise examined, and of them 875 were found to be correct. A great stride in this respect has been made since last year, and I think that both the Taluk and village officials have at last begun to understand and appreciate these valuable Manuals.
- 28. XX.—LANDS ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.—No registers have been made during the year under report of lands acquired by public servants.
- 29. XXI.—Remarks on the conduct of the Subordinates.—During the two months that I have been in charge of the Sub-division, I have had every reason to be satisfied with the behaviour of my subordinates. I must particularly bring to your
- * B. Suriyamurthi Pillai. favorable notice my Sheristadar.* The industry, zeal, and ability displayed by him in the performance of his duties are beyond all praise, and I already feel that I can put the most thorough reliance in all he says and

does. The very favorable character of the report, and the satisfactory results exhibited, will be a sufficient proof of the excellent manner in which the principal revenue servants of the Sub-division have performed their duties: the unprecedentedly small balance accruing at the close of the year under report reflects the greatest credit upon the Tahsildars of the three Taluks; and I must specially mention the very great energy displayed by the Nannilam and Mayaveram Tahsildars, in collecting the revenue of their Taluks. I cannot however refrain from remarking upon the inefficiency of most of the Miras Pattamaniams in the Sub-division, the greater number of these men are quite unable to perform their duties, and are invariably compelled to call in the Kurnums to their aid. I am aware that some alterations of the present system are contemplated, and I hope may speedily be carried out, for the inefficiency of these men throws a great deal of extra work upon the Tahsildars, who are consequently deserving of still more credit when, as is the case with the Officers mentioned above, the revenue of their Taluks are punctually conected.

MAYAVERAM, 14th July 1862. (Signed) C. G. PLUMER, Acting Sub-Collector.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

TRICHINOPOLY.

- * By Banghy.

 + Board's Standing Circular,
 No. 1,846, dated 19th
 March 1862.
- 1. I have the honor to forward in the prescribed form the Settlement Report of this District for Fashi 1271, also the quinquennial Statements* prepared in accordance with the Board's instructions† marginally noted.
- 2. "Settlement."—The Settlement was made by the different Revenue Officers in the District, in localities that best suited the convenience of the Ryots; these stations are enumerated in Statement No. 1.
- 3. Puttahs.—The system of permanent Puttahs will be fairly introduced into this District so soon as the Revenue Settlement operations are completed; at present the assessment in this

Fasli.
1971 ... 1,06,087
1270 ... 1,02,277

3,810

District is not fixed on the land, but on the crop grown; a system wholly incompatible with "Permanent Puttahs;" the increase of Puttahs issued arises from the fact of many not previously holding Puttahs taking up land and to additional Puttahs being issued to deceased Ryots' heirs.

- 4. "Season."—The season cannot be considered on the whole favorable for agricultural purposes. In July and August when water is so necessary for the seed beds, the rain failed us. In September there was a good fall of rain which was pretty general throughout the entire District; this gave a great impetus to cultivation, and much waste land was brought under the plough. I had great fears that we should lose nearly all the crops on the ground; a catastrophe which was only averted by the timely fall of rain in November and January; nearly all the produce was saved, though the harvest was by no means so abundant, as it would have been under more favorable circumstances.
- 5. Sanitary state of the District, and Vaccination.—The season was not healthy. Low fever, and fever with typhoid symptoms was very prevalent; Cholera too visited many parts of the District. Small-pox was not so prevalent as in the previous year; the number of individuals vaccinated in the year under review exceeds the number in the year preceding by about 2,000. Cattle suffered much from an absence of all green fodder.
- 6. The price of every description of grain rose, and I attribute this in a great measure to the character of the season and to less produce than usual having been imported into the District.

	Grain.		Commuta- tion price originally fixed.		Price in Fasli 1270.			Price in Fasli 1271.			Increase.			Decrease.			Per cen- tage.		
		Rs.	Λ.	P.	Rs.	Α.	Ρ.	Rs.	Λ.	Р.	Rs.	Α.	Р.	RS.	Α.	Ρ.	Rs.	Α.	P.
	(Shumbah pergarce.	74	3	•6	156	6	4	167	4	4	10	14	0	0	0	0	6	15	3
Paddy.	Car :	0.0	3	0	147	9	2	151	2	10	3	9	8,	0	0	0	2	7	0
	Cholum	0	0	0	193	10	3	206	12	11	13	2	8	0	0	0	6	11	11
T .	Cumboo	0	0	0	181	9	4	185	11	0	4	1	8	0	0	0	2	4	2
	Gram		0	0	228	2	11	247	7	1	19	4	2	0	0	0	8	7	2
	Raghi		0	0	175	8	1	180	11	5	5	3	4	0	0	0	2	15	5
	Varagu		0		101	15		109	4	1	7	4	6	0	0	0	7	2	2

- 7. "Riots' Holdings."—The sum total of the holdings at the commencement of the Fasli amounted to 6,54,063 acres, bearing an assessment of Rupees 16,40,052-3-8. 41,581 acres assessed at 1,62,458-12-10, were newly taken up against 23,368 acres, yielding Rupees 60,168-7-7 relinquished; thus the total land under occupation was 6,72,272 acres, assessed at Rupees 17,42,342-8-11.
- 8. "Cultivation."—The Comparative Statement given below shows the increase in cultivation; the high price of grain gave an impetus to cultivation; lands in occupation left waste, were charged the full Teerwah; this has of course raised the total.

- NIME NAME OF				sli 1271.	100		In	crease.	Decrease.			
Items.			Acres.				Aĉres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.		
Dry Wet Garden	1,47,284		4	7	4,83,063	9,33,114 6,95,866	5	47	1,709	10,322 1 0	Cs.	RS. A. P.
* Total	6,54,063	16,86,408	7	5	6,71,850	17,40,986	9	1	17,787	54,578 1 8		•••••
2nd crop assessment. Teerwah Jastee	•••••	1,58,950 11,524				1,75,053 921	7 15	1 7		16,102 11 3		10,602 12 11
Total		18,56,883	15	9		19,16,961	15	9		70,680 12 11	÷	10,602 12 11
Deduct remission		4,49,795	12	4		4,10,261	9	3				39,534 3 7
Balance		14,07,088	3	5	A STATE OF STATE	15,06,700	6	6	••••	99,612 3 1		
Add sundry items	••••	37,044	14	0		33,814	15	2		12.00	ļ	3,229 14 10
Total		14,44,133	1	5		15,40,515	5	8		96,382 4 3		

- 9. In conformity with the Board's orders, Dry and Garden lands converted into Wet have been included in their original items in Enclosure A, Statement No. 3.
- 10. FASAL CUMMEE AND FASAL JASTI .- Although opposed to the Board's orders I find myself again obliged to include this item in Enclosure B, No. 3. I will now briefly explain how this is at present unavoidable; he terms "Fasal cummee and Fasal jasti" have an exceptional meaning in this District; they do not mean as in other Districts, one crop raised on registered, two crop land, or two crops raised on one crop land, but these terms here signify the growing of a description of crop of less value, in lands where the higher description of produce is usually grown, and vice versa; the growing of valuable produce in lands usually cultivated with a low description of grain; the practice at present in this District is, to assess on the description of crop grown and not on the land. In other words when produce ranking low in value is grown on lands where a higher description of crop was grown in the Fasli immediately preceding, the difference after deducting the lower from the higher rate of assessment is called Fasal cummee, and when the case is reversed, the term is Fasal jasti; the assessment as shown in Statement No. 3 includes such Fasal cummee and Jasti, and as this entry must tally with the entries in the Enclosures A, B, C of the Statement as by orders of the Board, the Fasal cummee and Jasti peculiar to this District as explained above was, as a matter of necessity, included in Enclosure B. The component items under this head are however distinctly shown. I trust this explanation will satisfy the Board that I have paid proper attention to their instructions. On the new land assessment being permanently introduced, there will be no difficulty in carrying out to the letter the Board's instructions.
- 11. Waste remitted and charger.—The waste remitted amounted to Rupees 1,355-15-10; a large portion of this was due by Ryots who have either absconded or died without heirs.