Items.				Fusly	127	79.							Fusly	128	80.				Incre	ase.		Decre	ase.	
avems.	Arrears.			Current.			Total.		Arrears.		Current.		Total,					Decrease.						
Land Revenue.	RS.	Δ,	P.	RS.	Δ.	Р.	RS.	Α.	Р.	RS.	Δ.	Р.	RS.	Α.	Р.	RS.	Δ.	P.	RS.	Α.	P.	RS.	۸.	Р.
Permanently set- tled				8,573	7	0	8,573	7	0	258	5	3	8,573	7	0	8,831	12	3	258	5	3			
Ryotwar	50,144	14	9	7,30,489	14	4	7,80,634	13	_1	33,264	15	10	7,44,182	6	7	7,77,447	6	5				3,187	6	8
			201029			230301				RESIDENCE TO A		F-Shiff	20,259		(1020)			6.00		8	0		,	
Total	52,037	8	4	7,63,173	1	6	8,15,210	9	10	41,313	6	10	7,73,015	9	7	8,14,329	0	5	2,305	13	3	3,187	6	8
Abkarry	1,000	0	0	42,842	11	11	43,842	11	11	6,818	13	8	40,876	4	8	47,695	2	4	3,852	6	5			
Stamps				50,124			PARTE NEW			PRODESTA:		956	34,040		2685		7	0				16,083	9	0
° Total			9975-024			992755C1	refolioristation programming the programming	5	.9	48,132	. 4	6	8,47,932	5	3	8,96,064	9	9	6,158	3	8	19,270	15	8
Net decrease																						13,112	12	(

I think it right to notice here that the arrears outstanding on the 30th June on account of lands in the Dharapoorum Taluq did not exceed Rs. 837-1,9, and that the whole of the amount was collected before the 20th July. This satisfactory state of things is entirely due to the exertions of the Tahsildar Beligiri Rao.

25. Statement No. 8 shews the collection on account of arrears of all sources of revenue.

The outstanding balance at the beginning of the Fusly amounted as per last year's report to Rupees 49,107-14-1. A sum of Rupees 367-13-9, being the arrears in the village of Nullampolliem, lately transferred to this District from Madura, is now added, with reference to letter from the Collector of Madura to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated 31st May 1871, No. 1,009. This makes a total of Rupees 49,475-11-10. Of this, Rupees 48,132-4-6 were collected within the Fusly and Rupees 4-0-10 were written off the accounts, under sanction contained in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th May 1871, No. 1,968, leaving at the close of the Fusly a balance of Rupees 1,339-6-6. This is now reduced to Rupees 1,181-5-5, of which the amount recoverable or doubtful is Rupees 235-14-6. For the realization of this sum, the necessary measures are being taken.

The remainder Rupees 645-6-11 is irrecoverable for the following reasons:-

- (1). In Gudalur, in Caroor Taluq, by a mistake of the Curnum, an excess assessment of Rs. 604-8-11 was entered in the accounts as Sivoy Jamma, on account of portions of fields which were not cultivated and in fact are unfit for cultivation.
- (2). Field No. 14 in Sendamangalam, in Caroor Taluq, is liable to assessment of Rs. 3-9-3 at the rate of Rupees 2-8-0, per acre, being a portion of the area under the Koraiyuttu Anicut given over to be repaired by private individuals. The field was by mistake entered in the list of lands cultivated without authority and consequently charged at Rupees 44-7-3, being five times the Paimaish assessment. The excess thus improperly charged is therefore Rupees 40-14-0.

I recommend therefore that the above balance of Rupees 645-6-11 may be written off the accounts.

• 26. The extent to which coercive process was employed in the collection of revenue is shown below: it calls for no special remark.

•	PROCESS ISS	UED.	PROPERTY A	ATTACHED.	PROPERTY SOLD.				
Number of villages.	Number of Ryots.	Balance.	Movable.	Immovable.	Movable.	Immov- able.			
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.			
131	3,443	38,495 6 0	1,799 2.6	236 7 6	43 14 6	59 1 5			

27. The Village and Taluq Accounts have been found in very many instances to be carelessly kept. Instructions have been issued to the Tahsildars and Revenue Inspectors which it is hoped that lead to improvements in future.

28. The following is a Statement of lands newly acquired in the Fusly under report by public servants:—

Name of the Public	LAND WHER	E SITUATED.	Whether Nunjah	E	xten	ıt.	Ass	essm	ent.	How acquired.
Servant.	Taluq.	Village.	Punjah.							•
Ramasamaiyah, Head Gumastah, Caroor.	Perin- dooray. Caroor.		Punjah.	29	0 7		RS. 36			By purchase.
Venkata Chellaiyah, 5th Gumastah, Oodoo- mulpattah.		Sholama- devi.		1						By purchase.

SETTLEMENT REPORT OF COIMBATORE.

29. The following Statement shows the principal sources of irrigation in the Sub-Division:-

(Dalass	Invication Work		TER DEDUCT-		CULTIVATION	
Taluq.	Irrigation Work.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Amount of collection.
Dhara-	Amravati Anicuts and	ACRES.	RS.	Acres.	e RS.	RS.
poorum.	Channels	6,495	60,592	6,459	60,387	56,297
Caroor. {	Channels Caveri Channels	9,120 4,246	55,314 33,350	8,941 4,114	54,509 32,650	53,429 32,563
Odoomul- pettah.	Amravati Anicuts and Channels	5,899	38,831	5,139	37,135	6 37,008
	Total	25,760	1,88,087	24,653	1,84,681	1,78,991

^{*30.} No ruined tanks were made over to individuals during the Fusly.

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COIMBATORE,

(Signed)

J. W. BEST.

23rd August 1871. Acting Sub-Collector.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF THE

NEILGHERRIES.

I HAVE the honour to submit my Report on the Jummahbundy Settlement of this District for Fasii 1280, (1870-71,) accompanied by the usual Statements.

1. VILLAGES AT WHICH THE SETTLEMENT WAS MADE.—The settlement was commenced in May and completed early in June. The villages at which the Jummahbundy was made, and the names of the officers by whom it was conducted, are specified in the annexed Memorandum:—

Name of Officer.	Villages.	Places where the Settlement was made.	Places where Puttahs were distributed.	Time occupied by the Settlement.
J. W. Breeks, Esq.,	1. Todanaad 2. Boodinuttum 3. Sembanuttum. 4. Seegoor	Ootacamund .	Ootacamund	From 25th May to 30th May 1871.
t l	5. Paranganaad	Kotagherry	Kotagherry	30th May to 1st June 1871.
C.A. Galton, Esq., { Assistant Com-	Meikanaad	Kartairy	Kartairy	From 27th May to 5th June 1871.
missioner.	Koondahs	Avalanche	Avalanche	26th May 1871.

NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.

	1	INHABIT	ED.		U	NINH	ABITE	D.		TOTAL		
•	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	ncrease.	Decrease.
Ryotwar. {Villages Hamlets	17 397	17 397							17 397	397	THE CO	•

SETTLEMENT REPORT OF THE

3. THE PARTICULARS CONCERNING PUTTAHS are given in the Statement below :-

Property of	Total number		HS NOT RENEW	ED.		
Faslis.	of Puttahs for Land Revenue and Miscella- neous Items.	Puttahs which remained altogether unaltered.	Number modified by additional entries.	Total.	Renewed or fresh Puttahs issued.	Per centage of Column 6 on Column 2.
1	2	3	4	5,	6	7
1279 1280	2,577 % 2,586	2,351 2,332		2,351° 2,532	226 254	8° ° 10° °
Increase Decrease.	9	19	*		28	20

4. Season and Sanitary state of the District.—The remarks made in my Administration Report for the official year are equally applicable to the Revenue year:—"From the commencement of the rains in June last the fall has been abundant, well distributed over the year, and very favourable for planting operations. The coffee crop, with some exceptions on the eastern side of the district, was an average one. The tea flushes were retarded on the Kodanaad side by stormy weather during the south-west monsoon. On the 18th and 19th January last there was the heaviest fall of rain over Kodanaad, Kotagherry, and Coonoor that has been recorded for many years past. The eight to ten inches fell in one night. Great damage was done in places to young plantations, and to several of the roads and ghauts. For native cultivation it has been a very good year. The crops must have been far above the average, for a Badaga speaking of them, to use the proverb, 'This year there has been no cheating.'"

5. RAIN-FALL during the year under report at Ootacamund and Coonoor, and for the last

	OOTACA	MUND.	Coon	OOR.	_o K _A	ITY.	Koda	NAAD.	MAILKO	ONDAH.
Months.	Rain-fall.	Number of rainy days.	Rain-fall.	Number of rainy days.	Rain-fall.	Number of rainy days,	Rain-fall.	Number of rainy ays.	Rain-fall.	Number of rainy days.
Ju ly 1870	5.06	21	3.14	16						
August "	6.33	19	3.03	14	•••					
September ,,	2.04	11	2.36	9				•••		1.
October ,,	10.10	15	4.40	14						
November ,,	1.69	10	20.42	19				***		•••
December ,,	1.11	3	3.95	8	***			•••		•••
January 1871	1.95	6	18.41	9					***	
February ,,	.60	d	5.35	4	•••			***	•	***
March ,,	1.55	5	1.44	5					•	•••
April ,,	5.73	12	7.68	8						
Мау "	4.71	10	3.25	9	3.70	23	3.92	11	2.07	6 7
June ,,	5.68	12	3.21	8	4.95	30	3.98	13	3.75	7
Total	46.55	125	76.64	123	8.65	53	7.90	24	5.82	13 *

The rain-fall has been both copious and well distributed over the year. At Ootacamund the excess is 11 05 inches over the previous Fasli, and at Coonoor no less than 20 inches during the period corresponding to that for which the rain-fall was registered last Fasli.

6. Enclosed is the Mortuary and Birth Statements prepared in the new forms prescribed for the annual return of these statistics. Cholera was brought to the hills in March last by people who risited a low country festival. In that month three deaths occurred. One, although returned as cholera, appears to have been only a case of chronic diarrhea. In May one case of death occurred at Boodinuttum on the highway to Mysore, and one in June at the same place. Not a single case of small-pox occurred: 439 deaths from fever were reported, showing no increase or diminution over the number of Fasli 1279.

The death-rate is 1.67 per cent., or 16.753 for every 1,000 of population. This rate compares favourably with that of last year.

CATTLE. — During the Fasli under report there has been no report of cattle disease. More cattle have, however, died from other causes than in the previous Fasli, as per particulars below:—

		Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280
	Bullocks	809	777
	Cows	597	698
•	Buffaloes	436	578 .
	Sheep		462
		-	-
		2,464	2,515

The heavy sains and succulent pasturage may account for the increase.

8. THE DEDUCTIONS IN CONSEQUENCE OF TRANSFERS, ETC., are enumerated below:-

	Extent.	Assess	ment
m - c - 1 - 7	ACRES.	RS.	. P.
Transferred to Inam Deficiency found on measurement by the Survey Department in Estates	•••		
within the Coonoor Settlement	8	8	5 2

9. The increase in the Ryots' holdings is as follows:-

	Extent.	Assessment
	ACRES.	RS.
1. Land taken up on Durkhasts in the villages of Seegoor, Sembanuttum and Boodinuttum	325	206
Iyen to Plantation	$995 \\ 135$	1,169 67
Other Causes.		110.4
4. Excess found on re-measurement by the Survey Department within the Coonoor settlement	55	15
Total	1,510	1,457

It will be noticed that the excess found on re-measurement pertains to the Coonoor settlement. Although this excess was ascertained last Fasli it was not included in the Report for that year, pursuant to orders conveyed in Government Order, No. 908, of 5th April 1869; the transactions of Fasli 1279 in this particular, as far as plantation lands are concerned, being the subject of report now.

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Ryotwar cultivation amounted to Acres 43,566, assessed at Rupees 22,520. Compared with similar items of last year there has been a falling off in the extent under cultivation of 997 Agres, at the same time that the assessment has increased by Rup es 127. This result is due to the cultivation of land of a higher class.

	Year.	Extent.	Assessment.
	-d-	ACRES.	PS.
	Fasli 1279	44,563	22,393
(C)	,, 1280	43,566	22,520
	Increase	•••	127 a
	Decrease	997	+

11.

WASTE CHARGED AND REMITTED.

a II of	WASTE	CHARGED.	WASTE	REMITTED.
Particulars.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment
		RS.		RS.
Dry	16,110	8,429		
Wet				
Total	13,110	0 8,429	٠, •••	•••

12.

PARTICULARS OF REMISSIONS.

ingles of the second	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. Cowle remission	rs. 84	Rs. 42	RS.	RS. 42
2. Teerwa Cummy and Punjumhissa grass	795	793	13-9250	0 2 3
3. Collections in Fasli 1278 in advance for Fasli 1279 4. Collections in Fasli 1279 in advance for	101		inelri	• 0,000 • 4,45,40
Fasli 1280		111		
Total	980	946	10	44

The advance collections of each Fasli have been treated as remissions in accordance with Board's Official Memorandum, No. 1,172, of 10th October 1870.

	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.
and the second of the second	RS.	RS.	RS. T	RS.
2. Tax on Trees on unassessed lands	14	14		A
6. Land cultivated but not included in the Jummahbundy	1,696	.2,368	672	
43. Revenue Fines	7	6	***	1
47. Quit-rent on Bungalows and Gardens	4,233	4,232		1
Value of land sold at public auction under	604		•	604
the Waste Land Pules, the account of which have been adjusted within the year. Sale proceeds of land sold for arrears	6,177	3,817		2,360
under Act II. of 1864	135	,	*	185
Total	12,866	10,437	672	3,101
Net decrease		2,429		

The greatest falling off occurs in the item of Value of waste lands sold. During Fasli 1279 the accounts of a large number of old sales of waste land were for the first time adjusted. Some adjustments, though not so many, took place in the year under report. The increase under land cultivated but not included in the Jummahbundy is owing to the recovery of revenue on the issue of title-deeds.

14. EXTENT OF LAND CULTIVATED WITH SPECIAL PRODUCTS.—This statement is blank, the statistics of native grains, Coffee, Tea and Cinchona, forwarded with my last Jummahbundy Report, have, agreeably to paragraph 12 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 2,495, of 21st June 1871, been separately furnished.

15. ABSTRACT STATEMENT SHOWING THE GENERAL RESULT OF LAND REVENUE SETTLEMENT IN COMPARISON WITH THE PRECEDING YEAR UNDER THE THREE HEADS OF RYOTWAR, PLANTATION, AND MISCELLANEOUS.—A comparative abstract of cultivation and settlement according to Form A., furnished with Board's Circular Memorandum of 14th August 1866, No. 787, is subjoined:—

	LAST 127		PRESENT 128	T FASLI	INCR	EASE.	DECE	EASE.
	Extent.	Assess- ment.	Extent.	Assess- ment.	Extent.	Assess- ment.	Extent.	Assess- ment.
1 >	2	3	4	5	6	7	8.	.9
Day. ?	Acs: 59,428 40	RS. 30,530 90	59,636 40	Rs. 30,859 90	ACS. 208	Rs. 329	ACS.	RS.
Total	59,468	30,620	59,676	30,949	208	329		
Road Cess		907		937		30		
Total		31,527		31,886		359		
Road Coss Village Service Fund Other Remissions	::: {	907 162 879 101	}	93 V 157 946	:::	30		7 5 34
Total		2,049		2,040		30		39
Remaining Beriz Add Miscellaneous	*	29,478 12,866		29,846 10,437		368	••	2,429
Total	59,468	42,344	59,676	40,283	8			2,061

From the above statement it will be seen that the demand for the year under report is 2,061 Rupees less than that of the past Fasli. The falling off occurs in the Miscellaneous items; in two more particularly, namely, realization from the sale of waste lands and redemption of quit-rent.

16. The revenue for the year, namely Rupees 29,846, shows an increase over the average of

the past ten years of Rupees 8,015.

				(ES.	
Fasli	1270		 			10,695	
,,	1271		 			13,399	
,,	1272		 			18,006	
,,	1273					19,8898	
,,	1274		 		***	21,759	
,,	1275		 			23,730	
,,	1276		 			24,665	
,,	1277		 			27,109	
5,5	1278		 			29,574	
,,	1279		 		•••	29,478	
				Tota	12	2,18,313	
			A	verag	e	21,831	
Fasli	1280	• • •	 •••		• • • •	29,846	
			In	creas	e	8,015	

17. A Statement showing the Ayacut and cultivation, together with the assessment and actual Revenue, is appended as required in Board's Circular Memorandum of 14th Augus 1866, No. 187, paragraph 4, column 5.

6 " "	TOTAL	YACUT.			DEI	DUCT.			REMAINDER UNDER CULTIVATION.			
_	Extent. Assessment.	Assess-		am*	waste Putcu	nment e and t waste itted.	То	tal.	Extent.	Assess- ment.	revenue deducting	
- Re-			Extent	Assess- ment.	Extent.	Assess- ment.	Extent.	Assess- ment.			Actual after remis	
Jungle stream	Acs. 292	RS. 806	Acs.	RS.	Acs. 252	RC.	ACS.	PS. 716	ACS.	RS.	RS.	

18. Sundry sources of Revenue.—The Revenue from Sundry Sources amounts to Rupees 1,10,801 against Rupees 1,10,295 for Fasli 1279, showing a small increase of Rupees 506. The falling off in Stamp receipts is mainly owing to the paucity of suits. This loss is counterbalanced by an increase in the item of Income Tax. From July 1870 to February 1871 the rate was $3\frac{1}{5}$ per cent., and from March to June at $1\frac{1}{24}$ per cent. under Act XII. of 1871.

The Abkarry revenue continues at the same high figure, although by Board's Proceedings, No. 1,113, of 14th March last, the Contractor had the option of bringing his contract to an end if

so disposed.

6	Iten	ns.	(Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Dectease.
							RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Abkarry							85,000	85,000		
Miscellaneous							940	1,005	65	
Judicial							5,061	3,358		1,703
Stamps {Judicial Revenue							4,835	4,329		506
Miscellaneous							22	28	6	Sand Care
Income Tax					***		14,437	17,081	2,644	
			G	rand	Tota	al	1,10,295	1,10,801	2,715	2,209

19. ABSTRACT SHOWING THE REVENUE FROM BOTH LAND AND SUNDRY SOURCES OF REVENUE IN COMPARISON WITH THE PRECEDING YEAR.—The aggregate revenue of the district, both from hand and Sundry Sources, amounts to Rupees 1,51,084, slowing a net decrease over the revenue of Fasli 1279 of Rupees 1,555. The cause of decrease under each head has already been explained in paragraphs 15 and 18 anti.

	Items.		Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue Sundry Sources		 ··· ··· ···	1 10 005	Rs. 40,283 1,10,801	▶ RS. 506	RS. 2,061
•		Total	1,52,639	1,51,084	٠	1,555

20. The Interest account stands as follows: -

					RS.	Α.	P.	
. On arrears of Land Rever	nue	 	 		395	0	2	
· On Abkarry Revenue		 	 •••		41	6	0	
					-	-		
•			Tota	1	436	6	2	

The first item is made up almost exclusively of interest paid by purchasers of waste lands who elected to adjust their dues by annual instalments as provided in Form Y. attached to the rules of 6th March 1863, No. 478A.

21. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF ALL SOURCES OF REVENUE.

	Demand for Fasli 1280.	Collections within the Fasli.	Balance on the 30th June 1871.	Subsequent collections up to 31st July 1871.	Balance still due.
Revenue. {Ryotwar	29,846 10,437 4,283	27,458 10,250 37,708	2,388 187 2,575	113 118	Rs. 2,383 74 2,457
Abkarry Revenue Stamp Revenue Income Tax Total	86,005 7,715 17,081 1,51,084	78,921 7,715 17,081 1,41,425	7,084	7,084	2,457

The greater part of the balance under Ryotwar cannot be collected, until some definite orders are received regarding the relief to be granted to planters in this district. The parties named in

the margin, under the expectation that some relief will be granted in the shape of remission of assessment, claim the same indulgence as has been granted to Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. in paragraph 6 of Government Order, 2nd October 1869, No. 2.704. On the 21st February last, when sending up to Government a

letter from Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. on the subject of remission of revenue due on the lands of

the Carnatic Coffee Company, I drew attention to the various items of Land Revenue which I entertained difficulty in collecting. This letter by an oversight I find now has not been sent through the Board, I therefore enclose copy of the letter under separate cover. A sum of Rupses 133 is included in the above balance. It pertains to certain plantation land sold during the Fasli under report for arrears of revenue and purchased on behalf of Government under Government Order, No. 908, of 5th April 1869; this item will have to be treated as a remission in Fasli 1281. On Mr. Brown's land arrears of Fasli 1279, amounting to Rupees 172, are unadjusted for reasons, see paragraph 22 post.

The balance under Miscellaneous is made up of small items to be collected from defaulters, whose whereabouts I am unable to discover, and who do not appear to have local agents, c. g., Doctor Rogers, Mr. Mann, Mr. Coates, etc.

22. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF ARREADS.

	Arrears at the com-		IONS, ETC.		Balance	Subse-	Balance
Items.	mence- ment of Fasli 1280.	Collec-	Remission.	Total.	on the 30th June 1871.	quent collec- tions.	on the 31st July 1871.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Ryotwar Miscellaneous items	$1,274 \\ 580$	248 251	19 291	$\frac{267}{542}$	1,007		• 1,007 38
Total	1,854	499	310°	809	1,045		1,045
Abkarry Revenue Income Tax	7,084	7,084	·	7,084	- va	ø	
Grand Total	8,938	7,583	310	7,893	1,045		1,045

The subjoined statement gives the details of arrears of Ryotwar, with the years for which they are due:-

No.		17	ames			Amount of arrears.	For what Fasli.
Captain Richard Mrs. Etienne Mr. A. L. Brow Pr. C. Smith Sada Murthia I Varathappah Mr. Bennett	n			 	 	 Rs. A. P. 267 13 2 225 0 0 344 12 6 68 11 8 94 12 11 4 10 3 0 7 1	1277 and 1278. 1278. 1276 and 1277. 1278. 1278. 1279.

Numbers 2, 4, 5, 6, and 7 are included in the items recommended for remission in this report.

Number 1 cannot be collected for reasons stated in paragraph 21, and number 3 will be considerably altered in consequence of arrangements sanctioned in frovernment Order, No. 2,076, of 21st December 1870.

23.

COMPARATIVE ABSTRACT OF COLLECTIONS.

Court of the Court		LAST FASL	1.	\mathbf{P}_{R}	ESENT FAS	LI.		
Items.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Increase.	De- crease.
Land Revenue.	Rs.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	. RS.	RS.	RS.
Ryotwar Miscellaneous	360 434	28,474 12,576		$\frac{248}{251}$	27,458 10,250	27,706 10,501		1,128 2,509
Total	• 794	41,050	41,844	499	37,708	38,207		3,637
Sundry Sources.		,						
Abkarry Stamps Income Tax	6,666	78,856 9,918 14,437	85,522 9,918 14,437	7,084	78,921 7,715 17,081	86,005 7,715 17,081		2,203
· · Total	7,460		1,51,721	7,583	1,41,425			

The causes of increase or decrease under each item have been explained in previous paragraphs
 and need not here be repeated.

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DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF LAND REVENUE.

Items.	Demand for Fasli 1280.	Collection within the Fasli.	Balance.	Subsequent collections up to 31st July 1871.	Balance.
LAND REVENUE. Ryotwar.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Lands held by Burghers and other Hill tribes	16,682	16,611	71	5	66
tions and other agricultural pur-	13,164	10,847	2,317		2,317
Total	29,846	27,458	2,388	5	2,383
Miscellaneous.			•	-	
Quit-rent on House properties	4,232	4,048	184	113	71
Revenue on Lands not included in the Jummahbundy	2,368	2,368			
Other items, viz., Purchase money, Tax on trees, and Revenue fines.	3,837	3,834	3		3
Totai	10,437	10,250	187	113	74
Grand, Total	10,283	37,708	2,575	118	2,457

REMISSIONS RECOMMENDED TO BE WRITTEN OFF.

c	6	Recommended for remission in the Settle ment Report of Fasli 1279.	Now recommended for remission.	Total irreco- verable ar- rears to be written off the accounts.	0
		RS.	. RS. O	Ds.	9
Due from deceased Ryots			*230	230	0
Do. from absconded Ryots Do. from pauper Ryots			95	0 95	
Do. from other causes			107	107	0
7.1	Total		432	432	

The subjoined statement furnishes the reasons for the remissions:-

No.	Names.		Fasli	12	79.	Remarks.
ς ,	Ryotwar.		RS.	Α.	P.	• 0
3	Mr. Etienne		225	0	0	The land to which this arrears refers is at Seegoor. Mr. Etienne is dead and his widow relinquished the property.
32	Sada Murthia Pillay		94	12	11	A pauper.
65	Dr. C. Smith		68	11	8	The amount pertains to certain land retransferred to Government in accordance with Government Order, No. 2,276, of 5th August 1869.
	Varathappah		4	10	3	A pauper.
	Mr. Bennett		0	7	1	The land to which this pertains was
6			0 1		9	taken for the north water channel— Vide Notification, Fort Saint George Gazette, page 24A., of 9th January 1871.
			Fasli	19	80	
235	Colonel Farewell		1		4	This land cannot be identified, and Colo- nel Farewell declines to pay in conse- quence.
76	J. Rhode, Esq	···	36	13	11	Mr. Rhode owns no property on these Hills. This item was included in the demand of the Fasli.
		Total	431	10	2	The same of the sa

- 26. IREECOVERABLE ARREARS STRUCK OFF THE ACCOUNTS.—The irrecoverable arrears struck off the accounts during the past Fasli amount to Rupees 310, sanctioned to be so treated in Board's Proceedings, No. 1,968, of 12th May 1871.
- 27. EXTENT TO WHICH COERCIVE PROCESS WAS EMPLOYED.—The number of processes issued for the collection of arrears was 44, involving revenue to the amount of Rupees 342; but it was not necessary to attach property, except in 23 cases, for dues amounting to 191 Rupees. Eventually only two cases of alienation by sale occurred for arrears of revenue, amounting to Rupees 7.

28. Charges.—The subjoined table shows in detail the charges of the Revenue Department, Survey and Settlement Department excepted:—

		_			1			
	tems.				Last Fasli.	Present Fasli.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land	Revenu	e.			RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Refunds of Revenue		ø	··· ·			4		
. Salaries	and Exp	enses					,	
Commissioner's and	Assisan	t Con	nmiss	ioner's				1 1
asalaries				;	1 7 7 700	16,400		792
Tentage and House-r	ent				1 074	1,974		
Huzur and Taluq Est					11,566	11,739	173	'
Saderward					99	82		17
Medical charges					2,527	2,165		362
					126	430	• 304	
Miscellaneous charge	s				84	660	576	
5874 1 1 -					33,568	33,450		118.
Abkarry charges								
Stamp charges					417	208		209
Income Tax								
*								
• • •					33,985	33,658		327

A trifling decrease in the charges of the year occurs to the extent of Rupees 327. The charges form 22 per cent. of the gross revenue, the same per centage as last year.

- 29. Examination of the Village accounts.—The Village accounts are kept in the prescribed forms, but no examination was made during the last Jummahbundy.
- 30. The following abstract shows the extent of land held by public servants in the District of Neilgherries:—

	În this	DISTRICT.	IN OTHE	R DISTRICTS.	To	OTAL.
Names.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment
Narasappya, 3rd English	ACS.	RS. A. P.	ACS.	RS. A. P.	ACS.	RS. A. P.
Clerk		·// ··· ···	110.35	131 3 0	110.35	131 3 0
wastah			5.19	8 4 4	5.19	8 4 4
Clerk Narayanah, Revenue Inspec-	•••		9.95	60 0 0	9.95	60 0 0
Vencataramaniah, Revenue	22.44	7 0 8	21.56	38 10 4	44.10	45 1 0
Inspector			13.95	25 12 11	13.95	25 12 11

N. B.—The Statement of lands belonging to Mr. McIvor, Superintendent Government Cinchona Plantations will follow as soon as received.

^{31.} REMARKS ON THE CONDUCT OF SUBORDINATE OFFICERS.—I am generally satisfied with the conduct of my Revenue subordinates with the exception of the Monigars of Meikanaad and the Koondahs.

The Monigars of the district are, however, wretchedly paid, and I propose bringing the subject before the Board at an early date.

32. Working of the Rules for the sale of Government waste Laws on the Neileheer's Hills. —My views on this subject are fully expressed in the following letters addressed to the Board of Revenue, to which I have nothing to add:—No. 149 of the 20th October 1869, No. 69 of the 7th May 1870, and No. 101 of the 21st July 1870.

33.

ROAD CESS UNDER MADRAS ACT III. or 1866.

Items.	Arrears of Cess.	Current Cess.	Total.
Demand	rs. 33	rs. 937	Rs. 970
Collection within the Fasli Remission	10	857	867
Total	11	857	868
Balance	22	80	102

The balance of Road Cess pertains to the arrear of revenue on plantation lands, the reason for non-collection of which is explained in paragraph 21 anti.

OOTACAMUND, 24th August 1871. (Signed)

J. W. BREEKS,

Commissioner.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

SALEM.

I HAVE the kenour to submit my Report on the Revenue Settlement of this District for Fusly 1280 (1870-71), with the usual statements.

- 2. The Jummabundy was commenced on the 1st of December 1870, and completed care the 28th June 1871. The work connected with the census, which took up the whole of January, the final introduction of the Revenue settlement into the Ahtur Taluq, and the preliminary operations of that department in other Taluqs and the change among the Divisional Officers, rendered the duration of the Jummabundy unusually long.
- 3. The Sub-Collector settled his own Taluqs and the Head Assistant, Mr. Overbury, settled one of his taluqs, (Utengherry). I took up the other taluq (Tripatore) in his division besides Ahtur. Mr. Knox, the Assistant Collector, settled the Salem Taluq and the general Deputy Collector his own division.
 - 4. The time occupied in the settlement of each taluq is shown in Statement No. 1.
- 5. Each talug was settled in its own limits, and at places most convenient for the ryots to assemble.
- 6. NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—The gross number of villages, viz., 2,785, remains unaltered. There are changes, however, in their tenure, six Hissa or share villages in the Ossoor Taluq having been enfranchised by the Inam Commissioner there is a decrease of six villages under the Ryotwary head, and a corresponding increase under the head of Shrotriem Jodigy.
- 7. PUTTAIS.—The aggregate number of puttahs for the year was 2,12,135, or 1,502 puttahs over the number for the past year. Of this number 1,63,530 were old puttahs which remained unaltered, 8,196 were old puttahs on which subsequent changes were noted down, and 44,409 were puttahs issued afresh. In this last number there is an increase, compared with the past year, of 27,842, which was owing to the introduction of the Revenue settlement into the Ahtur Taluq, which rendered the renewal of every puttah in that taluq necessary.
- 8. Puttahs in the new form were issued during the Fusly in the Ahtur Taluq, and the same will be done in the other taluqs simultaneously with the introduction of the Revenue settlement.
- 9. Season.—The season was very favourable both for dry and wet cultivation. Copious rains fell more or less every month and all the tanks capable of containing water were filled twice or thrice over in the year. The result has been a good harvest and a fair out-turn of grop. Very few remissions for waste were called for.

10. The subjoined abstract shows the average ra n-fall of the district during the several months of the year. The increase as compared with Fusl, 1279 is 1.3:— *

	Mo	oths.	Inches.	Tenths,	0	0 0
	May June July August	70	r 2 3 2 5 7	7 5 8 3 8		
. Th.	November December January February	, , , ,	8 1 1 	6 3 2 4 5 3	c	
		Total	14	3	0	
Committee 1		Grand Total	36	4		

- 11. Sanitary condition.—Public health was, on the whole, good. Cholera prevailed more or less in every taluq, but the outbreaks were severe only in the taluqs of Salem, Ahtur, Nameul, and Trichengode, and the mortality was, comparatively speaking, inconsiderable, as the disease was not generally of a virulent type. It was only in two villages close to each other in the Salem Taluq that the disease took an epidemic form, and in eleven days 58 died out of 72 persons attacked. In this and in all other cases medical aid was afforded as speedily as possible, and every precaution taken for preventing the spread of the disease.
- 12. Salem, Darampury, Trichengode, and Ossoor suffered most from fever, though the other Taluqs were not quite free from it. As in the case of cholera all medical aid available was given, and quinine and bark were distributed both for sale as well as gratis. The Sub-Collector writes that quinine has been coming more into favour, and there has been an increased tendency amongst the people to use European medicines."
- 13. Comparatively speaking small-pox has been on the decline. It manifested itself to a very small degree. The Vaccinators maintained from funds contributed by the inhabitants of Ossoor and Kistnagherry Taluqs, and the Medical subordinate attached to the Divisional Officers, have done good service. They accompanied the settlement and other tours of the Divisional Officers and vaccinated many children.
 - 14. The enclosed statement shows in detail the number of births and deaths during the year.
- 15. Cattle suffered from murrain in some of the taluqs, especially those above the ghaute. The attacks were, however, of a mild nature, and timely remedies were applied where necessary. There was no lack of pasture or water.
- 16. Peices of Grain.—It will be seen from the annexed statement that there was a material fall in the ruling price of every kind of grain during the year. The market supply of grain was plentiful and the granaries of the land-holders were replenished with fresh supplies. This state of things is the result of the successive good seasons, such as the past three years have been, and of a comparatively less demand for grain from the neighbouring districts:—

Grains.	Fusly 1278.	Fusly 1279.	Fusly 1280
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Paddy, 1st sort	195	176	133
Do. 2nd do	178	156	117
Cholum	220	183	122
Cumboo	185	153	101
Horse-gram	228	172	128
Raggy	201	158	108
Varagu	125	102 .	69

- 17. There was no decline in the prices of labour proportionate with that of the prices of grain, and the wages of labour remained almost stationary. This is attributable to the fact that a good season enhanced the demand for agricultural labour, a demand which the supply cannot sufficiently meet, and that wages, therefore, remained steady.
- 18. VACCINATION.—The Superintendent of Vaccination and his staff were employed in the district throughout the year. Under the altered system a Vaccinator is attached to each Taluq, and the Superintendent, whose head quarters are at Salem, visits the different Taluqs to test the Vaccinators' work.
- 19. The Vaccinators attached to the Municipality at Salem, and the Vaccinators employed from special funds in the Ristnagherry and Ossoor Taluqs, have done their work satisfactorily.
- 20. Introduction of the Settlement rates.—The new settlement rates were introduced into the Ahtur Taluq during the year, and puttahs issued according to the new form. There was a good deal of dissatisfaction in many cases where the assessment was raised. The increase of assessment in most of the holdings was the result of excess in the area by new survey, and this was explained to the ryots who felt aggrieved, and who appeared unwilling to receive their puttahs.
- 21. Settlement result.—As will be seen from Enclosure A. to Statement No. 3 there was a decrease in the area of Acres 1,247 under the head of Punjah, and Acres 35 under Nunjah. In the assessment there was a decrease of Rupees 11,130 under Punjah, and Rupees 2,715 under Nunjah. The increase of area by the new settlement was Acres 17,781 under Punjah, and Acres 5,212 under Nunjah, and the increase in the assessment was Rupees 5,082 under Punjah, and Rupees 23,008 under Nunjah, the net result being as follows:—

	INCR	EASE.	DE	CREASE.
Items.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.
Punjah Nunjah	16,534 5,177	RS. 20,293	•	Rs. 6,048
Net	21,711	14,245		Jan State

- 22. Ryots' holdings—Statement No. 3, Enclosure A.—The extent of land under occupation at the beginning of the year was Acres 11,51,035, assessed at Rupees 18,31,653. Land actually given up during the year amounted to Acres 33,372, assessed at Rupees 43,899, and that taken up afresh was Acres 43,777, assessed at Rupees 50,916. The result shows that 27,002 Acres, assessed at Rupees 10,992, in excess of the extent occupied at the end of the preceding season were, on the close of the year under report, held by ryots. This result is, of course, to be attributed chiefly to the increased area under the new settlement.
- 23. To account for the difference, which, the Board will perceive, between lands sold or transferred and lands purchased or obtained by transfer in Enclosure A. to Statement No. 3, I may mention that, in the Ahtur Taluq, the lands sold or transferred were entered in the accounts according to the old rates, and those purchased or obtained by transfer were shown according to the new settlement rates, which were introduced at the Jummabundy.
- 24. ACTUAL CULTIVATION.—The land actually cultivated during the year was Acres 11,55,801, assessed at Rupees 18,04,178. This again shows an increase over the past year of Acres 25,516, assessed at Rupees 9,247.
- 25. Waste Remitted.—Acres 918, assessed at Rupees 4,446, were remitted, and the whole of this was under the head "Wet." A little more than half this amount was remitted in the Darampury and Ossoor Taluqs, and the rest in the taluqs of Trichengode, Namcul, Utengherry and Kistnagherry.
- 26. WASTE CHARGED.—Acres 21,318, assessed at Rupees 34,022, appear under this head, and they are for the most part Punjah lands.

	LAST	Fusiv, 1279.	Presen	T Fusly, 1280.	INCR	EASE.	DEC	REASE.
• Items.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	* 4	5	6	7	-8	9
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
ry	10,83,936 65,416	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	11,06,029 71,090	13,83,584 5 4 4,54,615 3 0	22,093 5,674	22,282		6,939
Total	11,49,352	18,22,856 8 . 7	11,77,119	18,38,199 8 4	27,767	15,343		
dd second crop assessment		543 9 7 36,264 15 1		546 0 9 28,990 13 5	::	3		7,274
oad Fund	 	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		73,116 1 1 1,27,170 14 10		15,780	 	107
Total		20,44,279 2 3		20,68,023 6 5		23,745	·	•
Deduct Remissions.			15 m. m. s		18			
oad Fund	**************************************	73,223 12 3 1,11,390 4 9	****	73,116 1 1 1,27,170 14 10		15,780	.d	107
ther Remissions particularized in Statement No. 4	·	1,44,891 3 0	l	1,41,679 11 8			٠ و	3,212
Total	1	3,29,505 4 0		3,41,966 11 7	•••	12,461	a	
dd Miscellaneous		17,14,773 14 3 90,926 1 5		17,26,056 10 10 8,81,195 8 ₇ 0		.11,283 		2,731
• Total	•	18,05,699 15 8	9	18,14,252 2 10		8,552		•*•

- 28. The increase in the cultivation is, as already noticed, attributable chiefly to the increase in the settlement area and rates.
- 29. The second crop, assessment, which is trifling (Rupees 546), was collected only in six villages, five of which came from North Arcot and one from Trichinopoly. The wet assessment in the rest of the district is consolidated.
- 30. The Village Service Fund amounts to Rupees 1,27,170. This represents the usual reductions made in the beriz on account of village establishments, as shown in column 56 of Statement No. 3, and the 6½ per cent. collected from the ryots in the Ahtur Taluq under the Village Service Cess, Act No. IV. of 1864. This latter is added to the revenue in column 53, and included in the deductions in column 56.
- 31. "Other remissions" and "Miscellaneous items" will be treated of in their proper places.
- 32. Sugar-cane, Cotton, and Indigo.—It will be seen from the annexed abstract that there was a falling off in cotton, and a slight increase in the indigo cultivation:—

Items,	Fusly	1279.	Fusly	1280,
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	* RS.	ACRES.	Rs.
Sugar-cane	. 1,190	8,296	1,105	7,893
Cotton	. 14,410	20,393	9,367	14,332
Indigo	. 1,419	6,292	1,959	10,437

- 33. Cotton is grown chiefly for local consumption and indigo for exportation. The Alling off in the cotton cultivation is attributable to the limited demand on the part of Messrs. Fischer and Company, who formerly made large advances for this product.
- 34. PRINCIPAL SOURCES OF IRRIGATION.—The three Cauvery channels in the Namcul Taluq, yielding as they do a little more than half a lac of Rupees, are the most important sources of irrigation. Next in importance are the Vashista and Vellaur rivers in the Abtur Taluq, the Tirumanymuthar, which flows through the Salem, Trichengode, and Namcul Taluqs, and the Pennar. Tanks and other smaller anicuts form the minor sources of irrigation.

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35. REMISSIONS.—The particulars of remissions, O casional, Fixed, and Miscellaneous, are given below:—

Items.	Fusly 1279.	Fasly 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	, 5
Occasional Remissions. Shavi	576 398 219 830 203 3 25	782 782 1 830 629 59 25	R8. 384 426 56	206 219
Total Fixed Remissions.	2,254	2,695	441	
Fixed Cowle Remissions	990 15,373	872 14,241		118 1,132
Total	16,363	15,118		1,250
Items allowed on the collection or from the entire beriz of Villages.				
Share of Shrotriem proceeds Allowance for Heads of Villages and Curnums, etc. Dasayundum shares	14,658 1,11,390 226	12,076 1,11,558 237	 168 11	2,582
Dasavundum shares	1,26,274	1,23,871		2,403
Grand Total	1,44,891	1,41,679		3,212

- 36. The breaching of two tanks in the Trichengode Taluq necessitated the grant of the small amount of remissions, viz., Rupees 370, under the head Shavi.
- 37. The amount, viz., Rupees 782, entered under the head "Palanushtum" (loss of crop) is the difference between the dry and wet assessment on lands depending on certain tanks which are out of repair and, therefore, incapable of irrigating the ayacut. The whole amount appertains to the Ossoor Taluq only, and the Sub-Collector will be called upon to report specially what measures have been taken to have the tanks put in order.
- 38. The abolition of the Cowle system accounts for the non-entry of any remissions under the head "Progressive cowle." The fixed, or what is called "Cockburn cowle," will merge in the new settlement. The decrease (Rupees 118) under this head belongs to the Ahtur Taluq into which the new settlement has been introduced.
- 39. The Teazgari or Sukavasi remissions, i. e., remissions to certain privileged classes (Rupees 830) are allowed to the Brahmins holding lands under the Cauvery channels in accordance with the Board's Proceedings of the 25th October 1866, No. 7,715.
- 40. The Fasal Cummi (Rupees 629) is the remission granted for the loss of second crop in the village of Voranandoor in the Namcul Taluq. The village was transferred to this district from Trichinopoly, and the second crop system is still observed in it. The want of repairs to the Magahoor channel, which is now the subject of correspondence between myself and the Department of Public Works, is the cause of the increase under this head.

- 41. Two-thirds of the amount (Rupees 14,241) entered under the head of Pasture remittances appertain to the Ossoor Taluq, and the remaining is scattered over the other taluqs. The remissions are regulated at two-thirds in the taluqs above the ghauts, and three-fourths in the taluqs below the ghauts. In no case is the extent of the pasture land granted to a ryot allowed to exceed his entire holding.
- 42. The enfranchisement under the Inam rules of six share villages in the Ossoor Taluq accounts for the decrease under the head "Share of Shrotriem proceeds."
- 43. The allowance, namely, Rupees 1,11,558, for heads of villages is composed of the usual deductions from the revenue, exclusive of the 6‡ per cent. levied in the Ahtur Taluq under Act IV. of 1864.
- 44. MISCRILANEOUS REVENUE.—It will be seen from Statement No. 5 that the revenue under this head amounts to Rupees 90,323, or Rupees 1,684 below that of Fusly 1279.
- 45. The variations in the different items under this head are so trivial that they do not call for any special notice. The particulars are shown in the following abstract:—

Items.	Fusly 1279.	Fusly 1280.	• Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous	90,926	88,195		2,731
Abkarry	661	1,450	1,251	617
Income-tax	221	634	413	
Total:	92,007	- 90,323	•	1,684

46. GENERAL RESULT OF LAND REVENUE.—The particulars under this head are as follow :-

• Items.	Total demand.		Balance at the end of August 1871.	Percentage between columns 2 and 3.	Percentage between columns 2 and 4.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.		
Permanently settled Shrotriem Jodi Ryotwar Miscellaneous	4,44,951 43,795 17,26,056 88,195	83,173 20,247 2,32,594 30,194	60;205 18,475 1,06,540 20,399	$18\frac{11}{16} \\ 46\frac{3}{16} \\ 13\frac{7}{16} \\ 34\frac{8}{16}$	13½ 42¾ 6⅓ 23½
Total	23,02,997	3,66,208	2,05,619	157	. 8g
Abkarry Rent Do. Miscellaneous	3,35,870 44	33,793	16,133	1010	41
Total	3,35,914	33,793	16,133	1016	44
Stamps Do. Miscellaneous	1,32,877 1,450		X.		
Total	1,34,327				
Income-tax	54,435	413	342	4	. 9
Grand Total	28,27,673	4,00,414	2,22,094	141	713

^{47.} Peishcush.—The peishcush of the several estates remains unaltered. Three out f 124 estates entered in Statement No. 6 are unsettled Polliems, the rest being those constituted under Regulation XXV. of 1802. There is one estate in excess of the number shown in the return for

the past year, and this is owing to the fact that the Mutter of Bevuhully in the Darampury Taluq was divided into two in accordance with a decree of the Civil Court of Salem. The Board sanctioned the Civil Court of Salem.

- 48. SHROTRIEM JODIGY.—The enflanchisement of six share villages under the Inam rules is the result of the increase (Rupees 6,093) under this head?
- 49. As already observed the introduction of the new settlement into the Ahtur Taluq is the cause of the increase under this head.
- 50. Miscellaneous.—The late Jummabundy, and the consequent reduction in the subsequent cultivation (Sevoy Jamah), accounts in a great measure for the decrease under this head.
- 51. ABKARRY.—The Abkarry beriz (Rupees 3,35,550) remains as last year, the lease having a year more to run. The sum (Rupees 3,35,870) entered under this head includes Rupees 317, the amount of fees levied on account of licenses issued for the sale of European spirits.
- 52. STAMPS.—The small increase under this head may be attributed to the operation of the Court Fees' Act.
 - 53. Income-tax.—The increased rate of the tax raised the receipts under this head.
- 54. Revision of assessment.—The land revenue of every year commercing with Fusly 1264, which was the year preceding that in which a general reduction of assessment was made, will be seen from the subjoined abstract:—

Fuslies.	Dry.	Wet.	Garden.	Total.	100
790 July 1-1 (1) 11	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	• •
1264	8,94,162	3,65,618	64,202	13,23,982	
1265	9,39,787	3,91,367	40,131	13,71,285	
1266	10,70,810	4,06,400	42,489	15,19,699	
11267	10,81,328	4,08,078	63,585	15,52,991	
1268	11,34,964	4,42,001	65,732	16,42,697	
1269	11,45,308	4,04,032	58,818	16,08,158	
11270	11,67,366	4,17,337	59,687	16,44,390	
1271	11,76,746	4,07,391	60,010	16,44,147	
1272	12,13,915	4,32,439	60,194	17,06,548	1200
1273	12,77,925	4,16,763	60,427	17,55,115	
1274	12,81,886	4,09,104	56,995	17,47,985	1.
1275	13,77,083°	4,78,838	.9	17,55,921	To the
1276	12,71,852	4,89,651		17,61,503	
1277	13,72,986	4,23,357		17,96,343	
1278	13,84,307	4,32,069		18,16,376	
1279	13,90,523	4,32,333		18,22,856	
1280	13,83,584	4,54,615		18,38,199	0 .0

- 55. It will be seen from the above that, notwithstanding the several bad seasons, the land revenue has gradually and steadily increased. It is not so much to the reduction in the assessment that I attribute this state of things, but especially to the high rate to which the price of grain had risen—prices which were more than double the commutation rates, and which, as a matter of course, encouraged the extension of cultivation largely.
- 56. Denand, Collection, and Balance current.—Statement No. 7 exhibits the particulars under this head.
- 57. The balance against permanently settled estates was at the end of the Fusly Rupees 83,174. Subsequent collections up to the end of August reduced the balance to Rupees 60,205. Of this amount Rupees 31,497 are outstanding against four estates, one of which (Amboorpett) was sold on the 15th instant, and the arrears against it will be adjusted in due course.

All regard to the other three estates accounts are being prepared, with a view to the division and sale of portions of the same. The remaining amount is due from estates belonging to minor proprietors, which have been placed under attachment.

59. The befance under the heads "Ryotwary" and "Miscellaneous" amounted at the end of August to Rupees 1, 26, 939. The Revenue settlement and census work retarded the collections 58. The Jodi balance at the end of July amounted to Rupees 20,247, and at the end of August to Rupees 18,475. The estates in arrears have been attached and advertised for sale.

very much, but measures have been adopted for the speedy recovery of the outstanding arrears.

compared with the preceding year :-The subjoined statement shows the Reyenue collections for the Fusly under report, as

		Fusly 1279.			Fusly 1280.		•	
· Items.	Arrears.	Current.	Tqtal.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Increase:	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently settled	1,06,976	3,61,865	4,68,841	70,882	3,61,777	4,32,659	1.54	36,183
Jodi Shrotriem, etc., villages	17,042	21,544	38,586	16,297	23,548	39,845	1,259	
Ryotwar	1,60,743	15,87,993	17,48,736	1,16,044	14,93,462	16,09,506		1,39,230
Miscellaneous	21,297	59,447	• 80,744	31,976	58,001	89,977	9,233	
Total	3,06,058	20,30,849	23,36,907	2,35,199	19,36,788	21,71,987		1,64,920
Abkarry	87,196	3,15,427	4,02,623	31,358	3,02,120	3,33,478		69,145
License-tax			* * *					
Stamps		1,31,667	1,31,667		1,34,328	1,34,328	• 2,661	*
ncomertax	h.,	33,603	33,603	433	54,022	54,455	20,852	
Total	3,93,254	25,11,546	29,04,800	2,66,991	24,27,258	26,94,248		2,10,552

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- 61. The decrease under the head "Permanently settled" is owing to a smaller amount of arrears outstanding at the beginning of the current year than at the beginning of the previous one. The same reason accounts for the decrease under the "Ryotwary" and "Abkarry" heads.
- 62. ARREARS OF REVENUE.—It will be seen from Statement No. 8 that the arream of former Fuslies amounted at the end of the year to Rupees 46,216, and at the end of August to Rupees 43,358.
- 63. The amount, namely, Rupees 17,801-5-7, entered under the head "Irrecoverable balance," includes Rupees 4,296-10-10, being the assessment of lands taken up in permanently settled estates, and a Jodigy village for Railway Local Fund roads and other public purposes, the particulars of which are given in detail in the accompanying statement. I shall submit shortly a Report, recommending the permanent reduction of the amount in question from the Peishcush of the estate concerned and from the Jodigy of the Agraharam.
- The Ryotway balance entered under the irrecoverable head extends over five fusies or from Fusly 1275, and was set down as hopeless after a strict inquiry made at the Jummabundy both by myself and the Divisional Officers. Property, both real and personal, was sold, and it is only where the full amount of the arrears have not been by these means, realized that the difference has been entered under the irrecoverable head.
- 65. I request sanction to write off the accounts the amount of irrecoverable balance above shown, viz., Rupees 17,801-5-7.
- 66. COERCIVE PROCESS .- In 4,310 cases recourse has been had to Act II. of 1864 for the recovery of Rupees 42,958. The property actually sold realized Rupees 5,138. The particulars are given in detail in Enclosure A. to Statement No. 8. The process fees collected during the year amounted to Rupees 200.
- Charges.—Statement No. 9 shows in a comparative form the gross collections and charges under the several heads of revenue.
- 68. The fluctuations in the "Collections" have already been noticed. The only variation in the "Charges" that calls for any remark is the decrease (Rupees 9,666) under the head "Salary of Collectors," and this is to be ascribed to the reduction in the number of Assistant Collector. attached to the district.
- 69. TALUQ AND VILLAGE ACCOUNTS.—The village and taluq accounts were, as usual, examined by the different officers who conducted the settlement. I have examined myself the accounts of the Tripatore and Ahtur Taluqs and found them, on the whole, neatly written and very fairly and accurately kept. The erasures were of less frequent occurrence, and altogether an improvement has been shown in the keeping of the accounts.
- 70. Lands of Public Servants. Lands acquired by public servants during the year were as follows :--

				0	Extent.				Assessment.					
1. 2.	By the	he I	Auzoor servants Caluq servants	*				Control of the last of the las	21 2	- Company		151 875	1777 1535-14	1000
	No. of					To	tal	68	3 23	14		1026	10	2

71. To sum up the subjoined statement shows at a glance the steady increase in the revenue of the district during the last five years :-

Fuslies.		Land Revenue.	Abkarry.	Stamps.	Income-tax.	Total.	
			RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1276			22,09,326	1,91,723	1,25,949	10,598	25,37,596
1277			. 22,21,723	2,91,756	1,46,266	20,001	26,79,746
1278			. 22,68,774	2,91,408	1,54,134	17,857	27,32,173
1279			22,88,353	3,36,211	1,31,667	37,221	27,93,452
1280			23,02,997	3,35,914	1,34,327	54,435	28.27.673

The Report of the Sub-Collector on the settlement of the taluqs forming his division is enclosed.

26th September 1871.

. C. T. LONGLEY, . Collector. SALEM.

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SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honour to submit my report on the Annual Settlement of this Division for Fusly 1280, and to forward the usual accounts connected therewith.

2. STATIONS AT WHICH THE SETTLEMENT WAS CONDUCTED.—The subjoined statement shows the stations at which the Settlement was conducted. They were fewer than usual owing to fly being pressed for time:—

Name of the officer who conducted the jumabundy.	Taluqs.	Places where jumabundy was conducted.	Number of days occupied.
J. F. Price, Esq., Acting Sub- Collector of Salem.	Oossoor Kistnagherry	Oossoor. Denkanicottah. Thalii. Kistnagherry. Mallapady.	14 days.
	Darampury	Mathoor. Palcode. Darampury. Pennagaram.	} 21 ° "

- 3. Variations in the Tenure of Villages and Remarks on Puttans.—Owing to the enfranchisement, during the year under report, of six Agraharams in the Oossoor Taluq, there has been a decrease of that number under the head of "Ryotwar."
- 4. The total number of puttahs renewed and unrenewed was, as particularized in Statement No. 1, 65,730, or 2,898 less than in the preceding year. The cause to be assigned for this decrease is the fact that a continuance of good seasons has given rise to an increase in the relinquishments of land which the great augmentation in prices during the years 1866 and 1867 induced the ryots to take up.
- 5. Season.—The season was again a good one, as regarded both wet and dry crops. In the Denkanicottah Division, there was, however, a partial failure of rain, which involved the grant of the major part of the small remissions given on account of waste. The out-turn of the dry crops throughout, and especially raggy; was very favourable; but the "motcha-kottai" (bean crops) was very much injured by the attacks of caterpillars, which found their way into the pod which young and devoured the bean.

6. Sanitary state of Division.—The public health during the year under report exhibited a marked improvement upon that of the previous season. Fever was, as usual, prevalent in the jungly parts of the Denkanicottah and Pennagaram Divisions; but there were none of the sudden and extremely fatal outbreaks of this disease which marked the preceding year. Quinine has been coming more into favour, and there has been an increased tendency amongst the people to use a European medicines.

Cholera manifested itself in a very slight degree. I believe that every case could be, and some were, distinctly traced to importation from other places. Medical aid was, as far as possible, afforded whenever required. Small-pox existed, but it was never very prevalent for of a virulent type. Vaccinators, maintained from the fund raised for that purpose in the Kistnagherry and Oosoor Taluqs, accompanied me during my settlement tour, and with my Dresser vaccinated a considerable number of persons, chiefly young children.

- 7. There was little or no murrain amongst cattle.
- 8. I attribute what I consider, on the whole, to be the satisfactory condition of the public health, to the absence of the sudden downpours of rain, followed by bright hot days with cold morning and dewy chilly nights, which, as far as my observation has gone, always engenders fever and favours the spread of cholera and small-pox.
- 9. PRICES.—Prices during the year steadily declined. That any other result would follow from the succession of good seasons which has been for the last three or four years enjoyed could not possibly be expected. The demand for exportation has decreased, and the stores which had been laid by for consumption and seed, and which were used during the time of scarcity, have been replenished. The consequence has been a glut of the market and a fall in prices with its sequence—the relinquishment of the less valuable kinds of land.
- 10. Ryots' Holdings.—The following abstract statement shows the particulars under this head:—

Description.	Extent.	Assessment.
Ryots' holdings for Fusly 1279 Deduct land given in Fusly 1280	21,808	491,401 30,466
Remainder	373,850	460,935 °
Add lands taken up for Fusly 1280	14,411	17,872
Total holding for Fusly 1280	388,261	e478,807

11. As will be seen from the marginal note, there has been a large decrease in the extent of

Fusly	1279 1280	Extent. 895,658 388,261	Assessment. 491,401 478,807
	Decrease	7,897	12,594

land occupied in the year under report as compared with that preceding it. The causes which brought this about were two, namely, first the transfer of the six Agraharams, pregiously alluded to, to the Shrotriem, head which

involved lands to the extent of Acres 5,221, assessed at Rupees 9,765; second, the relinquishments of ryotwar lands, attributable, as I have already remarked, to a great and prolonged fall in prices of all agricultural products.

12. ACTUAL CULTIVATION.—3,87,582 Acres of land, assessed at Rupees 4,75,887, were actually cultivated, giving, as compared with Fusly 1279, a decrease of Acres 7,126, assessed at Rupee 10,402. The reasons given for the falling off in ryots' holdings account also for that under remark.

13. WASTE CHARGED AND WASTF REMITTED.—The subjoined comparative abstract statement shows waste charged and remitted:—

Fuslies.	Waste charged.	Waste remitted.
Fusly 1279 , 1280	10,072 13,914	5,111 • 2,920

- 14. The decrease observable in this item is mainly due to the generally favourable character of the season, which rendered remissions almost entirely unnecessary; but it is also in part attributable to the repairs made by the Department of Public Works to the Sangambasavan Anicut and Tank, by which the saving of remissions, which for years past have amounted to nearly Rupees 1,000 per annum, were rendered unnecessary.
- 15. Shavi regulations.—The remissions under the head of "Shavi" amounted to but Rupees 22-9 0, as against Ropees 74-14-8 in Fusly 1279. The smallness of the amount was the result of the good season.
- 16. COWLE HOLDINGS.—There was a decrease under the head of "Permanent Cowle" to the extent of Acres 14-1-3, assessed at Rupees 21-2-10, and this is owing to relinquishment by the holder. The whole of the progressive cowles in the Division having lapsed by time in Fusly 1279, entries under this head have disappeared from the accounts of the year under report.
- 17. There was, as compared with Fusly 1279, a decrease in the cultivation of sugarcane of Acres 138-10-2, assessed at Rupees 727-14-8, the cause being the partial failure of rain in the Denkanicotta Division, where this product is chiefly grown.
 - 18. Cotton in only very small quantities and no indigo were raised.
- 19. Beyond the small patch of Carolina paddy which I grew at Oossoor, the introduction of this grain was not extended during the year under report. I have more than once offered to attempt the systematic introduction of Carolina rice, on the condition that if Government advanced the necessary funds I would undertake that the outlay, which would not be large, should be repaid by the results of the experiments, and that if they were not I would make it good from my private purse. To these offers I have never had a reply.
- 20. Land and sundry sources of revenue.—The following abstract gives the usual information under this head:—

Items.	Fusly 1	279.		Fusly 12	280.		Increase.	Decrease.
Permanently settled	RS. 75,948 12,593			RS. 75,948	4	2		RS. A. P.
Ryotwar	4,47,309	1	4	18,552 4,40,576		8	5,959 0 0	6,732 7 8
Total	5,93,248	8	7	5,86,579	1	9		6,669 6 10
Forest Revenue Abkarry, including Miscella-	13,935	11	8	14,658	0	0	722 4 4	
neous Income-tax, including Mis-	1,16,075	11	0	1,16,016		6		58 14 6
cellaneous Stamps, Miscellaneous	7,660		0	13,017 39,578	13	1 0	5,357 7 1 2,105 •1 • 0	:::1:::
Grand Total	7,68,393	4	3	7,69,849	11	4	1,456 7 1	

- 21. From this it will be seen that there was, in the year under report, an increase over the total demand of the preceding year of Rupees 1,456-7-1.
 - 22. The causes of the variations in each item are accounted for below,
- 23. Shedtriem Jodi.—The increase of Rupees 5,959 in this item is owing to the enfranchisement and consequent transfer to the Shrotriem head of the six villages alluded to in, paragraph 11,
- 24. Ryotwar.—The decrease of Rupees 6,732-7-2 under the head of "Ryotwar" is mainly to be attributed to the transfer of the six Agraharams in the Oossoor Taluq, and to the increase, during the year under report, in the number of relinquishments, the cause of which has been already explained.
- 25. Land Revenue, Miscellaneous,—The falling off, as compared with Fusly 1279, of Rupees 2,212-15-9 and of Rupees 3,225-4-1 under the heads of "Road Funu" and "Renting of the produce of Avenues," respectively, are, the former the result of the previously roticed relinquishments of ryotwar lands, and the collection, in the previous year, of arrears: and the latter the effect of the low bids for the rentals of the Kistnagherry Taluq, consequent on the great depreciation which for the last three or four years has occurred in the price of tax arind.

The fall of rain, subsequent to the jummabundy, caused the increase, in the year under report, of Rupees 432-2-2 under the head "Cultivation after Settlement."

- 26. Forest.—The addition of Rupees 722-4-4 under this head has arisen from increased sales of timber.
- 27. ABKARRY.—The decrease of Rupees 58-14-6 under this head is too petty to need explanation.
- 28. INCOME-TAX.—The increase under this head of Rupees 5,357 arose from the operation of Act XVI. of 1870, which was in force during the greater portion of the year.
- 29. STAMPS.—I attribute the increase of Rupees 2,105-1-0 under this head to the action of the Court Fees' Act, without which I am of opinion that there would have been a further decrease in the item of "Stamps" on that which existed at the close of the preceding year.
- 30. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF ALL SOURCES OF CURRENT REVENUE.—The subjoined statement gives the particulars under this head:—

Iteins.	Total d	ema	nd.	Collect within the			Balar	ice.	(Subse collection to Ju	tion	(3	Bala	nce.	
Permanently set-	RS.	Δ.	Р.	RS.	Δ.	Р.	RS.	Α.	Р.	RS.	Δ.	P.	RS.	Δ.	P.
tled Not permanently settled, inclu- sive of Miscel-	75,948	4	2	67,627	1	9	8,321	2	5	3,239	9	6	5,081	8	11
laneous	5,10,630	13	7	4,24,339	9	4	86,291	4	3	29,727	11	2	56,563	9	1
Total	5,86,579	1	5	4,91,966	11	1	94,612	6	8	32,967	4	8	61,645	2	0
Forest Revenue Abkarry, includ- ing Miscellane-	14,658	0	0	14,658	0	0			•••				1		10.4
ous	1,16,016	12	6	91.249	7	2	24,767	5	4	9,850	0	0	14,917	5	4
Income-tex, do.	13,017		1	91,249 12,949	9	1	68	4	0		AG-Sale	150.00	68	4	ô
Stamp, do	39,578		0	39,578	0	0									
Grand Total	7,69,849	11	4	6,50,401	11	4	1,19,448	0	0	42,817	4	8	76,630	11	4

- 31. From the above it will be see, that out of a total demand of Rupees 7,69,849, Rupees 6,93,218 have been collected. The collections within the fusly were Rupees 6,50,401 and those subsequent to it and up to the end of July were Rupees 42,817, leaving a balance of Rupees 76,630, which has been considerably reduced by collections made during this month, but which, awing to the necessity for sending in this report before the 1st proximo, I am unable to show. The extreme difficulty experienced in obtaining payment of the kists due by the Abkarry Renter of the Oossoor Taluq, whose farm was sold for arrears of revenue on the 1st instant, has been the reason of the heavy balance shown under this item of revenue. A late jamabundy, combined with the preliminaries for the Census and the operations of the Settlement Department in the Darampury Taluq, have caused a higher balance than I think ought to exist under the head of "Not permanently settled."
- 32. Demand, collection, and balance of all sources of arrears.—The balance of arrears due at the commencement of Fusly 1279 was Rupees 95,189-0-5; of this, the sum of Rupees 73,768-13-0 was collected, and Rupees 2,144-5-3 remitted within the fusly. Subsequent collections up the 31st July amounted to Rupees 473-7-11. These being deducted, there remains a balance of Rupees 18,802-6-3 to be collected. Of this, Rupees 14,484-9-8 are "recoverable," Rupees 383-2-5 "doubtful," and Rupees 3,934-10-2 "irrecoverable." This last item consists almost entirely of unrealized dues on lands sold in satisfaction of arrears. Before quitting the present subject I beg to again draw attention to the arrears under the old Income-tax Act of 1860, which have, "ear after year, been reported to be irrecoverable, and which are indubitably so, but orders to write which off have not yet been received.
- 33. Interest Account.—The usual memorandum, showing the interest realized under the different heads of revenue, is enclosed.
- 34. Coercive Process.—Processes were issued for the recovery of Rupees 11,332. Of this sum, by far the greater part was paid up, and the attachments made released. The value of the property sold was, therefore, only Rupees 1,720-2-7.
- 35. VILLAGE AND TALUQ ACCOUNTS.—The Taluq and Village Accounts were duly examined. I inspected the Birth and Death Registers of every Government Kurnam as well as those of some of the Muttah Kurnams. I likewise personally examined the accounts of each Kurnam, entries taken at haphazard having been previously checked by my subordinates. I also, when examining the Treasuries, inspected the taluq accounts.

The Birth and Death Registers had improved wonderfully, but the registration of births was still evidently very unreliable. That of deaths, which I tested in many cases by personal inquiries and calculating the average per "mille," was very fairly accurate.

As regards village accounts, there was a great improvement manifest; corrections were far less frequent, and there was a marked increase in both accuracy and neatness. I am glad to see that this year a superior kind of paper has been supplied to Kurnams in lieu of the vile trash formerly furnished by the Paper Contractor,

The taluq accounts of Kistnagherry were neatly and clearly kept; those of Oossoor were fair, but a good deal corrected; and those of Darampury untidy, much corrected, and dirty. I think that bound books for the more important accounts would be desirable, and that "Double Pott" instead of "French" paper should be used.

All the accounts were kept according to the Manual Forms.

Those of some three or four Kurnams were defective, and they were made to write them up.

36. A statement showing the lands acquired by public servants in this Division is enclosed.

37. CONDUCT OF SUBORDINATES.—The conduct of any subordinates was, on the whole, very good; no punishments, but a few petty fines, were found necessary. My Sheristadar, G. Thanica-chellum Modelly, has continued to merit, in every way, the high opinion which I shold of him.

My Tahsildars, with the exception of Mr. Jones, who has, however, of late shown that he is making effort to retrieve his former character, have given me satisfaction.

Oossoor, 31st August 1871. (Signed)

J. F. PRICE,

Acting Sub-Collector.

(True Copy.)

(Signed)

C. T. LONGLEY, "

Colketor.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

SOUTH CANARA.

I HAVE the honour to submit, with the prescribed returns, my usual Annual Report on the Schlement of the Revenue derived from Land and Sundry sources in this District in Fasli 1280, (A. D. 1870-71).

- 2. Places at which the Settlement was made.—The places at which the settlement was made, and the period occupied for the same in each taluk, are detailed in Statement No. 1. The Jummahbundy of the district was commenced on the 1st March, and completed on the 21st April 1871. The taluks of Kundapur, Udipi and Mangalore were settled by me. Uppinangady was settled by the Acting Head Assistant Collector Mr. Sturrock, and Cassergode by Mr. McIver, the Assistant Collector.
 - 3. The NUMBER OF VILLAGES shows an increase of five over Fasli 1279, owing to the

6			Villages.
Fasli	1279	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,278
23	1280		1,283
		Incres	se 5

			Puttahs.
Fasli	1279		36,647
**	1280	*********	87,056
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inclusion in the accounts of the village of Kadapara newly constituted in the Cassergode Taluk, of an unpopulated village in the Uppinangady Taluk, and of three villages in the Mangalore Taluk, which had been omitted in previous returns.

4. Number of Puttahs.—The number of puttahs issued during the year under report shows an increase of 409 over Fasli 1279, owing to a large number of Hossagame wargs laving been newly taken up for cultivation.

5. RAIN-PALL.—The following table shows the fall of rain from April 1870 to March 1871 inclusive, the result being an increase of 14 inches 37 cents over the quantity registered in the previous year:—

	Months.		1869-70.	1870-71.		
	eng William Penglania		The company of the company of		•	•
			IN. C.	IN. C.		•
April		•••	0.35	0.43		
Иау			1.99	0.70	0	
une		•••	33.83	36.04	CHAIN CHE	•
uly	1,100		32.83	40.23		
August			12.74	20.06		
September			20.91	10.58		, .
	Total		102.65	108.02	_/	
	Average		17.11	18:00	1	•
October		140.11	7.56	17:43	•	
Vovember			3.84	0.79		
ecember			3.74			
anuary				4.93	A A	No. of Particular
ebruary				0.94	. 0	
Iarch			0.57	0:62	• > 1	
	Total	•••	15.71	24.71		
	Average	e	3.93	4.94		
	Grand Total		118:36	132.73		~
	Net Increase			14.37		

- 6. Season.—The season was on the whole favourable for agricultural operations. The first crop suffered to a slight extent from the heavy rains that fell in October, but the yield was generally good. The second and third crops were also satisfactory. The condition of garden lands was good.
- 7. Sanitary condition.—The mortality from all causes, except small-pox and cholera, was below that of the previous year, as shown below. The district has, however, suffered very severely from small-pox, which accounts for the total increase in the deaths over the returns of last year. This disease is now on the decrease. A large majority of the deaths reported from cholera were caused by diarrhea mistaken for cholera by ignorant village officials:—

Faslie.			. Cholera.	Small-pex.	Fevers.	All other causes.	Total.			
1279 1280	,	. \	•	:::		No. 144 508	No. 220 3,499	No. 5,113 4,892	No. 11,703 10,244	°No. 17,180 19,143
		D	ifferen	nce		+ 364	+ 3,279	- 221	- 1,459	+ 1,963

HEALTH OF CATTLE.—The health of cattle also was better than in Fasli 1279, owing to the heavy monsoon and abundant pasturage. Murrain, however, prevailed in several parts of the

district, and in some places with great firulence. The number of cattle destroyed by wild animals was 1,629 against 2,010 in the preceding year, as shown in the following abstract:—

1 ,	•	DEATHS.					
	Faslis.	By disease.	By wild animals.	Total.	1		
1279 1280		7,118 5,825	2,010 1,629	9,128 7,454			
. "	Difference	- 1,293	- 381	- 1,674			

9. PRICES.—The following statement shows the wholesale prices of grain in comparison with those obtaining in Fasli 1279, and the average of the prices of the past ten years:—

Grains.	A crage price of ten years from Fasli	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	1280, AS	E OR DE- IN FASLI COMPAR- THE AVE- E.	Per cent-age.	INCREASE 1279, AS ED WIT 12	Per centage.	
	1270 to 1279.			Increase.	Decrease.		Increase	Decrease.	
0 0 11 0-1 C-4	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.		RS.	RS.	-
Paddy, 2nd Sort, per garce Pice, 1st Sort,	161	169	133		28	21.5		36	27.7
per garce Do. 2nd Sort,	481	534	419		62,	14.79		115	27.44
per garce	365	399	310		55	17.74		89	28.71
Raggy	244	240	183		61	33.33		57	31.15
Horse-gram	302	289	234	,	68	29.6		55	23.50

10. Owing to the abundant harvest, and to the falling off in the demand for export, the prices of all kinds of grain exhibit a marked decrease as compared with those of Fash 1279 and the average prices of the last ten years.

11. Exports of Rick by Sea.—The exports of rice to Foreign and British ports show a net decrease of Indian Maunds 58,910, as exhibited in the subjoined abstract, occurring principally in the exports to Goa and Bombay:—

Ports.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.
Aden	IN. MDS.	IN. MDS. 467	IN. MDS. 467	IN. MDS.
Arabia and other ports in the Persian Gulf	35,131	52,492	17,361	
Ceylon	36,189	35,293		75 896
Portuguese Ports	3,308 1,76,257	1,07,698		3,308 . 68,559
Pondicheray	1,55,695	1,02,575	• 1	53,120
Seind	71	85	14	
Dwarka	3,35,160	6,821 3,77,544	6,821 42,384	
• Total	7,41,886	6,82,976	67,048	1,25,958
Net decrease				58,010

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12. EXPORTS OF COFFEE.—The exports of coffee show a net increase of 18,488 cwts. as exhibited in the subjoined abstract, due to the larger outturn of the plantations, and to the higher price obtained for the article during the year:—

Ports.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.
	CWTS.	.cwfs.	CWTS.	CWTS.
United Kingdom or London	20,608	36,704	16,096	
Persian Gulf	29,428	22,599	No	6,829
All other Ports	15,347	17,993	2,646	
Malabar	9,388	15,963	8,575	
Total	74,771	93,259	25,317	6,829
Net increase		e	18,488	

- 13. Ryors' Holdings-Statement No. 3.—Owing to the unsurveyed condition of the district the extent of lands under occupancy cannot be given.
- 14. CULTIVATION AND SETTLEMENT.—The following abstract shows the gross Assessment, the Remissions, and the net Revenue including Miscellaneous items, as compared with the results of Fasli 1279:—

	I	AST FASLI.	PR	ESENT FASLI.	Later Con	Increase.	DECR	EASE.
Items.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment,	Extent.	Assess- ment.
1	2	. 8,	4	5	6	7	8	9 6
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	RS, A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P
Dry } Wot } Add Road Cess		12,72,809 3 6 42,820 12 6		12,74,635 6 1 42,919 7 6		1,326 2 7 98 11 0	0°	
Total		13,15,130 0 0		13,17,554 13 7		2,424 13 7		
Deduct Remissions. Road Fund Other remissions as particular-		. 42,820 12 6		42,919 7 6		98 11 0		
ized in State- ment No.4		69,614 4 1		70,012 8 2		397 15 1	(
Total		1,12,435 0 7		1,12,931 10 8		496 10 1		
Remaining Beriz. Add Miscellaneous items, as		12,02,694 15 5	-	12,04,623 2 11		1,928 3 6		
per Statement	6/3 7	54,534 13 4	1	58,165 12 8		3,630 15 4	•••	
Total		12,57,229 12 9		12,62,788 15 7		5,559 2 10		A

15.-RYOTWAR DEMAND.—The ryotwar revenue of the Fasli exhibits a net increase of Rupees 2,326-2-7, as shown below:—

	Amount of Settlement for I	Fasli 1279		 12,		3		
•	Assessment on lands newly	taken up	in Fasli 1280		2,502	14	10	
				12	.74.812	2	4	

Deduct Assessment on Wargs assigned in lieu of Jari Brahmadaya allowances ... 56 7 10 Assessment on Wargs assigned to the Subramanya Devastanum, with reference to Board's Proceedings, dated 14th September 1870, Miscellaneous No. 853 56 Assessment on lands taken up for public purposes— Vide Board's Proceedings, dated 7th May 1870, No. 3,075 ... 35 13 Reduction in the beriz of certain Wargs, with reference to Board's Proceedings, dated 10th February 1870, No. 968. 10 14 Do. do. on account of erroneous inclusion in the Demand of Fasli 1279- Vide paragraph 45 of Settlement Report of that Fasli... 176 12

Net assessment... 12,74,635 6 1
Increase... 2,326 2 7

16. Permanent Remissions.—These amounted during the Fasli to Rupees 2,58,375-7-11, or Rupees 148-11-0 more than in Fasli 1279, as explained below:—

Total Permanent Remissions of Fasli 1280 ... 2,58,375. 7 11

17. OTHER REMISSIONS—Statement No. 4.—The amount of Remissions granted during the settlement with reference to the state of the season, etc., shows a net increase of Rupees 398 made up of the remissions allowed in the following items.

18. Shamilat Banjar, Item No. 1, or portions of fields left uncultivated .- This shows

Fasli	1279 1280	*	RS. 3,128 3,054	3	3
		Decrease	73	5	1
	4		16		

20. Deficiency of Produce, Item No.

a decrease of Rupees 73 compared with the previous year, owing to portions of estates which were lying waste having been brought under the plough and charged with assessment.

19. Cowle Remissions, Item No. 6.— The increase in this item is due to two Hossagame wargs having been granted this year on progressive cowle.

10.—This item shows an increase of 6 Rupees, owing to the second and third crops on a portion of a warg in the Mangalore Taluk not having been raised, the irrigation dam having been removed to allow of the construction of a bridge in the vicinity.

Fasli 1279 8.307 1280 8,718 14 6 411

Lands unoccupied, Item No. 13 .- The increase under this head is owing to 19 estates, bearing an aggregate, assessment of Rupees 411, having been relinquished chiefly in the Uppinangady and Udipi Taluks owing to the unheadthiness of the localities and the consequent difficulty and expense of cultivation.

*	Number of Wargs.	Assessment.
Wargs lying waste in Fasli 1279 Add do. in Fasli 1280	469 48	8,307 14 1 908 15 ,9
Deduct	517	9,216 13 10
Brought under cultivation in Fasli 1280	29	497 15 4
Remainder	488	8,718 14 6
Net increase	19	411 0 5

13 Fasli 1279 8 8,456 1280 Decrease ...

22. Deficiency of Land and Overassessment, Item No. 14 .- This shows a decrease of Rupees 170, and is owing to certain Kumbhurti wargs having been brought up to the full assessment during the year.

23. Board Shiffaras or temporary suspension of the full demand on Estates, pending a reference to Board for confirmation, Item No. 15 .- The increase in this item was

caused by the transfer of seven wargs, bearing a Tarrow assessment of Rupees 293-9-7, to this head; a separate report regarding this, as well as similar remissions granted in Fasli 1277, 1278 and 1279, will be submitted shortly.

24. Deficiency of Produce, Item No. 17. -This shows an increase of Rupees 73 in consequence of the settlement of certain Tanki wargs which were found to be not sufficiently productive having been temporarily reduced.

CULTIVATION OF SPECIAL PRODUCTS-Enclosure B. in Statement No. 3 .- The extent

			ACRES.
Fasli			867
33	1280		969
		Increase	102

of land cultivated with Sugar-cane, which is the only special product grown in this district. exhibits an increase of 102 Acres as compared with Fasli 1279. The increase is small and calls for no remarks.

26. MISCELLANEOUS DEMAND-Statement No. 5.—The demand on account of Miscellaneous items amounted during the year to Rupees 58,165-12-8, or Rupees 3,630-15-4 in excess of that of the previous year. This increase occurs chiefly under the head of Kumery, or the cultivation of jungle lands newly cleared by burning. The extent of Kumery cultivation during the year

exceeded the past by Acres 1,143. In many instances the ryots cultivated in excess of the limit allowed, and an increased assessment was consequently imposed:—

		Exte	ent.		Assess	ment		•
	Fasli 1279. Amount included in the Jummahbundy Fasli 1280.	 ACRES. 4,755			RS. 6,259		P. 8	
.0 0	Amount included in the Jummahbundy	 5,897	37	10	10,032	5	2	
0	Increase	 1,142	31	7	3,772	10	6	

Increase in Fasli 1280.

 27. The other items under Miscellaneous in which the demand has considerably exceeded that of the past year are those noted in the margin. The increase in the first item was caused by more numerous applications for Hossa-

game lands having been disposed of, and to the Sevoy Jumma assessment of previous years on certain lands in the Cassergode Taluk having been brought to account in the Fasli under report. The increase in the second item is due to more waste lands having been sold, subject to assessment daring the year.

28. In the items noted in the margin there has been a considerable falling off in the

revenue. The decrease in the first item is Decrease in owing to the Amindivi coir having been sold Fasli 1280. RS. A. P. during the year at an average rate of Rupees 1. Revenue derived from coir, the produce of Amindivi 2,216 2 6 41-2-0 per Indian Maund against Rupees 2. Cardamom rent 544 11 52-4-8 in the previous year, in consequence of 4. Revenue Process Service Fees 304 2 the decreased demand for the article. The

decrease in the second and fourth items is nominal, being caused by the transfer of the former to "Forest Revenue" and the latter to "Law and Justice." The decrease under Revenue Fines is owing to the Sea-Customs Superintendent of Baindur having been fined in the sum of Rupees 500 in Fasli 1279, while no heavy fines were imposed in the year under report.

- 29. STATEMENT No. 6 There being no permanently settled estates in this district this statement is blank.
- 30. STATEMENT No.7.—The demand on account of Sundry sources of Revenue shows a net decrease of Rupees 15,902, as shown below. The fluctuations in each item will be explained hereafter:—

Items.	Fasli			RENCE.	
Tems.	1279.	1280.	Increase.	Decrease.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Abkarry	$\begin{bmatrix} 1,44,596 \\ 5,52,914 \end{bmatrix}$	1,44,526		70	
Salt Sea Customs	98,087	5,45,252 $75,325$	***	7,662 $22,762$	
Stamps	1,63,732	1,53,308		10,424	
Income Tax	28,395	53,411	25,016		
Total	9,87,724	9.71,822	25,016	40,918	•
Net decrease				15,902	

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- 31. ABKARRY.—The decrease in the Abkarry demand is trifling, and is owing to a less amount having been realized by the sale of confiscated liquor as compared with the previous year.
 - 32. Salt.—The particulars of salt sales are shown in the subjoined abstract:—

6		-	Home consumption.	Inland con- sumption.	
	Fasli 1279		IN. MDS. 1,45,634 1,44,497	IN. MDS. 1,31,774 1,27,225	
	, D	ecrease	1,137	4,549	

- 33. Home consumption.—The falling off in the Home consumption of salt is chiefly caused by the increased monopoly price and the importation of private salt. The rise of 2 Annas per maund, or from Rupees 1-11-0 to 1-13-0 per Indian Maund in the Import duty of salt, while the Government selling price has been raised 3 Annas per maund, has had the effect of encouraging private importations. The use of earth-salt and home-made salt for private consumption has also tended to prevent the Government sales from increasing. The decrease in the sales of salt for inland consumption occurs chiefly in the Cundapur and Udipi Taluks, and is caused in the latter taluk by the increased importation of Goa salt by the merchants, and in the former taluk by the comparatively low price at which the traders are able to obtain salt from the pans in North Canara where the Excise system prevails. The subject is engaging my attention; for there can be no doubt that frauds are practiced by the manufacturers in that district. It would not otherwise pay traders to pass, as they frequently do, our Salt depôt at Baindur and to go ten miles further into North Canara to obtain salt.
- 34. Salt wastage.—The wastage of salt during the Fasli shows an increase of 4,013 Indian Maunds over the previous year as given below:—

 	Quentity stored.	Outturn of the stores.	Wastage.	Per centage.	
 Fasli 1279 , 1280	IN. MDS. 2,13,551 2,18,282	IN. MDS. 2,07,992 2,08,710	IN. MDS. 5,559 9,572 •	IN. MDS. 2.60 4.38	
Increase			4,013		

35. The per centage also of the wastage exceeded that of last year. This circumstance is owing to a considerable deficiency of salt having been discovered in the depôt at Cassergode. An inquiry is being made into the cause of this deficiency, and when completed a separate report

 will be submitted. Deducting the entire quantity of wastage at the depôt at Cassergode there remains 6,593-0-30 Indian Maunds, or a wastage of 3.25 per cent., for the writing off of which sanction is now solicited.

36. Sea-Customs.—The demand under this head shows a decrease of Rupees 22,762, and is attributed to general depression in trade. The falling off in the export trade was chiefly in rice, of which a comparatively small quantity was exported this year to Foreign ports. In imports the falling off is chiefly in European liquors.

- 37. STAMPS.—The revenue from this source shows a net decrease of 10,424 Rupees, and is mainly attributable to the decrease in the extent of litigation during the year, as well as the changes introduced by the passing of the Court Fees' Act VI. of 1870, by which the rates of institution fees have been reduced from 10 to 7½ per cent. on the valuation, and certificates granted under Act XXVII. of 1860, to an amount below 1,000 Rupees, have been exempted from Stamp duty.
- 38. Income Tax.—The demand on account of Income Tax exhibits an increase of 25,016 over Fasli 1279, and is due to the operation of Act XVI. of 1870 by which the tax was raised to 3½ per cent. instead of 1½ per cent. as in the previous year.
- 39. Total Demand.—The total Revenue from Land and Sundry sources shows a net decrease of Rupees 10,344, as shown in the annexed abstract:—

. Items.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. Land Revenue 2. Sundry Sources of Revenue	Rs. 12,57,230 9,87,725	RS. 12,62,789 9,71,822	ья. 5,559	RS. 15,903
Total	22,44,955	22,34,611	5,559	15,903
Net decrease				10,344

40. THE DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF ALL SOURCES OF CURRENT REVENUE are shown in the following abstract:—

Items.	Demai	nd.		Collecti	on.		• Balan	ce.		Subsection to the July	ons	up of	Balar	100	
1. Land Revenue	RS. 12,62,788	A. 15	P. 7	RS. 12,25,666	10	P. 10	RS. 37,122	4	P. 9	RS. 15,129	14	P. 10	RS. 21,992	A . 5	P.
2. Sundry Sources of Revenue	9,71,822	8	7	9,58,432	9	Q	13,389	15	7	9,884	0	7	3,505	15	0
Total	22,34,611	8	2	21,84,099	3	10	50,512	4	4	25,013	15	5	25,498	4	11

- 41. The work connected with the Census in which the village officials and the Tahsildars were engaged operated in a great measure to retard the collections according to the prescribed kists. Measures have, however, been taken to realize the balance at an early date.
- 42 DEMAND, COLMECTION AND BALANCE OF ARREARS—Statement No. 8.—The following abstract shows the Demand, Collection, and Balance of Arrears:—

Particulars.	Land Revenue.	Sundry sources of Revenue.	Total.		
Balance at the commencement of Fasli 1280 Amount collected within the Fasli	RS. A. P. 18,942 12 5 17,989 6 4	RS. A. P. 6,797 0 8 6,797 0 8			
Balance at the close of the Fasli Subsequent collections	709 14 4 22 14 2		709 14 4 22 14 2		
Net balance	687 0 2		687 0 2		
Recoverable			396 11 6 55 0 3 235 4 5		

- 43. Recoverable Arrears.—Out of the arrears of Rupees 687-0-2, Rupees 396-11-6 are recoverable, and will be realized at an early date.
- 44. Doubtful Arrears.—A sum of Rupees 55-0-3 is entered as doubtful. It is the quitrent due for Faslis 1277, 1278, and 1279 on Elizabeth Coelho's garden suspended under orders of
 the Board, dated 8th July 1868, No. 5,020, pending the result of the suit for the cancellation of
 the grant. The case has since been disposed of in favour of Government, and measures will be
 taken for the recovery of the amount by the execution of the decree for which the Government
 Pleader has been already directed to move the Court.
 - 45. Irrecoverable Arrears recommended for Remission .- The irrecoverable balance

		Fasl	112	79.
Land Revenue Miscellaneous		220 15	3	r. 4 1
T	otal	235	4	5

 Out of this sum Rupees 4-3-10 appertain to lands sold after submission of the Jummahbundy Report for Fasii 1279. amounts to Rupees 236-4-5. The items of which this sum is made up are shown in the margin. Out of the Land Revenue of Rupees 220-3-4, Rupees 203-0-8* is the assessment of certain wargs in the Uppinangady and Udipi Taluks sold for arrears of revenue of Fasli 1278, and purchased on behalf of Government subsequently to the settlement of Fasli 1279.

Rupees 17-2-8 is the assessment of certain wargs in the Cassergode Taluk, which were inadvertently included a second time in the demand of Fasli 1279. These circumstances were already brought to the notice of the Board in paragraph 45 of my Settlement Report & Fasli 1275 and their sanction solicited for writing off the amount. The remaining sum of Rupees 15-1-1 was incorrectly included in the Miscellaneous demand of the Cassergode Taluk for Fasli 1279, and is therefore irrecoverable. I have, therefore, the honour to request that the Board will be pleased to obtain the sanction of Government for writing off the accounts these sums, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 235-4-5.

46. Total Collections.—The collections during the year, both arrears and current, amounted to Rupees 22,08,884, showing a net decrease of Rupees 17,498 as compared with Fasli 1279. The falling off is chiefly under the head of Sea Customs as shown in the subjoined abstract, and is owing to causes already explained:—

. Items.		Fasli 1279.			FASL 1280.		DIFFERENCE.			
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current	Total.	Increase.	Decrease.		
Land Revenue, Ryotwar Miscellaneous Items	Rs. 6,217 550	Rs. 11,90,766 47,920	Rs. 11,96,983 48,470	Rs. 11,408 6,581	RS. 11,79,628 46,039	RÉ. 11,91,036 52,620	ns.	5,947		
Total	6,767	12,38,686	12,45,453	17,989	12,25,667	12,43,656	4,150	5,947		
Abkarry	***	1,37,959 5,52,914 98,088	1,37,959 5,52,914 98,088	6,637	1,31,574 5,45,252 75,324	1,38,211 5,45,252 75,324	252	7,662 22,764		
Fees Stamps		1,63,732 28,236	1,63,732 28,236		1,53,808 52,978	1,53,308 53,133	24,897	10,424		
Total	'	9,80,929	9,80,929	6,797	9,58,431	9,65,228	25,149	40,850		
Grand Total	6,767	22,19,615	22,26,382	24,786	21,84,098	22,08,884	29,509	46,797		
Net decrease					***			17,498		

47. Coercive Processes—Enclosure A. in No. 8.—In three cases immovable property, which realized Rupees 402, was sold for the collection of revenue, amounting to Rupees 126-4-9. In eleven cases movable property was sold and realized Rupees 757-7-1 to meet a demand of Rupees 1,041-12-7.

48. Gross Collections and Charges—Statement No. 9.—The actual receipts and charges during the year, as compared with those for Fasli 1279, are exhibited in the subjoined abstract:—

000 0	-	Collect	IONS.	CHARGES. 3					
Items.	5 0	0."	Diff	erence.		0 1	Difference.		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Faeli 1279.	Faeli 1280.	In- crease.	Decrease.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	In- crease.	De- crease.	
Land Revenue	Rs. 5 12,45,454 1,37,959 28,236 98,087 5,52,914 1,63,732	12,43,656 1,38,211 53,133 75,324 5,45,252	252 24,897	22,763 7,662	1,30,202 438 1,271 6,753 1,35,628	2,477 6,961 1,19,157	88. 54 1,206 208	16,471	
* Stamps	22,26,382	22,08,884	25,149	42,647	2,82,239	2,65,736	1,465	17,968	
Net decrease		Ţ.,	1,17	17,498				16,503	

- 49. Collections.-The fluctuations in the collections have already been explained.
- 50. CHARGES-LAND REVENUE. The increase in the charges under Land Revenue is very. trifling and requires no explanation.
- 51. ABKARRY.—The decrease under Abkarry is owing to no charges having been incurred during the year on account of the registration of Abkarry licenses.
- 52. INCOME TAX.—The increase under Income Tax is due to the retention of the increased establishment throughout the year under report, while in the previous year it was entertained for only eight months.
- 53. Salt.—Under Salt there is a decrease of 12,823 Rupees in the purchase of salt and manufacturers' share. This is the result of the low rates at which salt was contracted for and a less quantity having been supplied. In the local manufacture also there was a decrease of 47,697 Indiar Maunds as shown below, which was owing to the unfavourable character of the manufacturing season; the heavy rains in the early part of the year having retarded the commencement of operations:—

Farlis.	Quantity of salt purchased for the	PRICE PAID.	•	<i>:</i>	
	monopoly.	Rate.	Amount.		
Goa do	1,46,387 1,09,359 50,935	At 49 and 58 Rupees per Garce. At 29 and 34 do. do At Rupees 13-2-0, 14-6-0, and 15-10-0 per do	63,113 26,816 5,729	10 2	
Total.	3,06,681		95,659	3 0	
Goa do	1,57,061 55,516 3,238½	At 54 Rupees per Garce At 25 and 29 do. do At Rupees 13-2-0, 14-6-0, and 15-10-0 per do	70,677 11,796 362	6 2 6 3 0 10 10	
Total.	2,15,8151		82,836	4 0	
Decrease.	90,8651		12,822	15 0	

- 54. The increase under charges for conveyance of salt was chiefly occasioned by more District manufactured salt having been supplied from the Kundapur pans to the other depots in the district.
- 55. The decrease under Contingencies was caused by the purchase of cup scales in the year previous, while no such charges were incurred in the year under report.
- 56. The decrease under "Petty Construction and Repairs" is owing to fewer works having been undertaken.
- 57. The increase under Salt Refunds is attributable to the refunds made to the salt contractor upon short deliveries of salt occurring from wastage under Government Order, dated 2nd December 1870.
- 58. STAMPS.—The decrease under Stamps is on account of a smaller quantity of stamps having been sold as explained above.
- 59. LANDED PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.—During the past year 39 servants of the Revenue Department acquired property, assessed at Rupees 554-9-11, a considerable portion of which was inherited. During the same period 17 public servants alienated property, assessed at Rupees 313-4-7.
- 60. Examination of VILLAGE AND TALUK ACCOUNTS.—The village and taluk accounts of the district were examined during the settlement, and were found to be on the whole well kept. Some of the accounts of the Uppinangady and Cassergode Taluks were not written up to date, and notice was taken by the Settlement Officers of the neglect on the part of the Village Accountants concerned.
- 61. Lapsed of Pagoda allowances.—In consequence of the Trustees of the institutions noted in the margin having abandoned them for a period of 12 years, and the buildings being in ruins, the assessment of land assigned to them has been ordered to be collected and credited to Government.
- 62. CONDUCT OF SUBORDINATE OFFICERS.—Mr. Sturrock, the Head Assistant Collector, has as usual worked cheerfully and well during the year. From his knowledge of the district in which he has served for several years he has been, able to give me the greatest assistance.
- 63. Mr. McIver, my Assistant, has been in Revenue and Magisterial charge of the Cassergode Taluk during the year, and also had charge of the Head Assistant Collector's Division
 during the latter officer's absence on Examination leave. He has worked very well, takes a great
 interest in the district, and promises to be a very efficient Revenue officer.
- 64. Mr. Leggatt, the Deputy Collector in charge of my Ircasury, has given my satisfaction. He is hard-working and willing, and is an efficient officer.
- 65. Mr. J. Ball, the Deputy-Collector in charge of the Salt Department, is an officer of a great experience in the district, and has worked well.
- 66. T. Gopalkristnah Pillay, my Sheristadar, and a native of the East Coast, has made himself acquainted with the language and tenures of this district, and has given me thorough satisfaction. He is a good business man, and has got his department in very good order.
- 67. The Tahsildars have with one exception worked well, and have given megatisfaction. More than ordinary work has been thrown on them and the Taluk establishments by the operations preliminary to the census, and they have been equal to the occasion. Tombat Suba Row, the Tahsildar of Cassergode, has been a good public servant in his day, but he is past efficient work, and his taluk was not in consequence in the state it should be.

MANGALORE, 22nd August 1871. (Signed) A. McC. WEBSTER,
Acting Collector.

SOUTH CANARA.

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SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

MALABAR.

I HAVE the honour to submit my report on the Settlement of the District for Fasli 1280, (1870-71,) together with the usual statements.

2. The settlement of Ernad and a portion of the Calicut Taluk was conducted by the Acting Collector, Mr. Logan, when I was absent on special duty in Tinnevelly; and the remaining portion of the Calicut Taluk, and the Taluk of Cochin were settled by myself on my return.

W. Logan, Esd., Sub-Collector {Cherakel. Kotteyom.}
J. Cameron, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector. Knrumbranad.
B. Buick, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector.
W. E. Underwood, Esq., Deputy-Collector.
O. Cannan, Esq., Acting Deputy-Collector, Southern Division.

The Divisional Officers conducted the settlements of the Taluks within their respective ranges.

3. The number of puttahs issued during the year was 1,62,726 against 1,61,172 of the previous year. The increase is attributable to a greater number of fresh puttahs having been

issued this year than in the last, in consequence of extension of cultivation, transfer of property, etc.

- 4. Changes in the tenure and number of Villages.—No changes have taken place in the tenure and number of villages during the year.
- 5. Season.—The South-west Monsoon set in about the end of May, a few slight showers having fallen in April throughout the greater part of the District: in June and July the fall was copious, and the Kanni or first crop yielded a fair return. The sowing of the second or Magarom crop in August was delayed in some places for want of rain, but in the subsequent months, the rain-fall was tolerably abundant and seasonable, and the out-turn of the Magarom crop was good.

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The tot I rain-fall during the year under report is shown to be less than that of the preceding year by 11 inches, though its distribution was more favourable for agriculture

Months .	Months Fall of Rain.				
	1867-68.	1868-69.	1869-70.	1870-71	
pril	1.43	2.65	1 2.5	1.25	
fay	9.02	NO THE RESIDENCE AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF	*3.12	7.3.69	
	24.94	AND PROPERTY OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TWO	29 88		
July	30.99	CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF TH	29.63	26.40	
August	13.99		9.42	8.27	
September	9.11	3 80	14.74	7.07	
Total .	. 89.48	81.56	89:30	75:31	
ctober	6.09	6.46	9.03	15.10	
November	0.66	1.62	4.96	2 59	
December	0.14		3.01	0.33	
anuary	0.69		0.87	2.94	
February		0.18	0.04	0.56	
Iarch	0.27	0.11	1.79	1.68	
	• 7.85	8:37	19.70	23.20	
• Total .	97.33	89.93	109-0	98.51	

6. Sanitary state of the District.—Cholera prevailed during the year in the Taluks of Palghaut, Ponany, Ernad, Kurumbranad and Cherakel.—The Taluks of Ponany and Palghaut, suffered most. The number of deaths reported during the year from Cholera is 1,458 out of 2,080 cases. This when compared with the Return of last year, exhibits a large increase. Medical aid was provided in the affected localities. This and the success which attended it, were reported to the Board, in my letters dated 2nd and 21st December 1870, Nos. 398 and 403, and 26th January 1871, No. 12.

The deaths from Small-pox were comparatively few, owing probably to the progress of vaccination in the district.

7. The subjoined Statement shows the extent to which the disease prevailed in the district during the last five years.

		CHOLERA.					
	Cases-	Deaths.	Recovered.	Case 8.	Deaths.	Recovered.	
Fasfi 1276 , 1277 , 1278 , 1279 , 1280	3,791 203 c 95 624 2,080	3,110 114 81 187 1,458	681 89 14 437 622	6,305 15,147 2,070 2,220 991	1,708 3,374 745 1,743 121	4,597 11,773 1,325 477 870	

8. PRICES.—The prices of grain as compared with those of last year, show a considerable falling off. This is attributable to the generally favourable character of the past season in this as well as in the districts from which grain is usually imported. The importation of grain by rail from Salem and other districts on the line was greater than in the previous year.

9.—Trots' Holding and Cultivation.—A Comparative Statement of Cultivation and Settlement is even below:—

	LAST FASLI.		Pri	ERENT FASLI.	INCI	EASE.	DECRI	TASE.
Items.	Extert.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assess- ment.	Extent.	Assess- ment.
1	*2	3	4	5	6 .	1	8	, 9
.,,,,	ACL	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS. A. F
Dry Wet	3,95,891 3,84,869		4,00,622 3,86,026	6,13,803 1 3 11,62,684 10 7	4,781 1,057	3,318		498
	7,80,860	17,73,663 3 8	7,86,648	17,76,487 11 10	5,788	3,318		498
Add								
Record crop assessment								
Water-tax					•			
Road Cess Village Service Fund		54,094 3 11 89,894 9 1	***	54,174 5 11 89,951 12 0		80 57		
. Total	7,80,860	19,17,652 0 8	7,86,648	19,20,613 13 9	5,788	3,455		. 48:
Deduct -					7.			-
Remissions			1					1
Road Cess Village Service Fund. Other remissions as		54,094 3 11 89,894 9 1		54,174 5 11 89,951 12 0		80 57		
particularized in Statement No 4	2,772	10,805 14 3	1,051	6,889 8 7			1,721	3,91
• Total	2,772	1,54,794 11 3	1,051	1,51,015 10 6	6	137		3,91
Remaining Beriz Add Miscellaneous	7,78,088	17,62,857 5 6	7,85,597	17,69,598 3 3		6,741		
Items	1	2,43,363 5 7		1,66,554 15 8				.76,80
Total	7,78,088	20,06,220 17 0	7,85,597	19,36,153 2 11			-	70,06

10. It will be seen that the area under Wet cultivation has extended during the year. That under Dry shows an increase, owing to the area newly brought under assessment in Palghaut Taluk, in accordance with Board's Proceedings, dated 24th February 1870, No. 1,289, having been included therein.

The decrease under the head of Miscellaneous Items is due to the collections on account of sales of Escheat lands having been slack for the reasons brought to notice in my report, dated 30th May 1871, No. 132.

11. The following items compose the Ryotwar demand of the year:

Demand on wet land in Fasli 1279	
Deduct remission in Fasli 1280	11,62,684 10 7 4,811 5 0
Demand on Dry land in Fasli 1279	6,01,740 8 5 5 80,097 10 4
Deduct assessment on land given up 77,035 1 Amount of remission in Fasli 1280 2,078 3	6,98,838 2 9 7 - 79,113 5 1 - 6,11,724 13 8
	17 69 598 3 3

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FASLI 1279. FASLI 1280. Increase. Decrease Current. Total. Arrears. Arrears. Current. Total. Land Revenue RS. RS. . RS. ES. ES. RS . Permanently settled 5,000 10,000 15,000 15,000 Shrotriem Jodi ... 53 Ryotwar 43,056 17,22,416 17,65,472 39,571 17,14,475 17.54,046 11,426 2,43,317 2,43,317 1,64,235 Miscellaneous 1,64,281 79,036 19,75,733 18,78,710 Total ... 48,109 20,23,842 39,617 19,18,327 1,05,515 Abkarry 2,31,717 2,31,957 • 91 2,32,273 2,32,364 407 10,39,717 10,39,717 .1. 1,62,358 11,62,358 1,22,641 Sea Customs 1,15,215 1,15,215 1,29,851 1,29,851 14,636 Land Customs ... 12,832 12,832 10,388 10,388 • Stamp... 4,68,018 4,68,018 4,78,524 4,78,524 10,506 Income-tax... ... 53,364 53,364 1,_90 93,136 94,336 40,972 License-tax ... 208 208 ... 0 ... 48,349 38,96,804 39,45,153 39,85,240 1,08,167 Total . 40,908 40,26,148 1,89,162

The aggregate collections under the several heads of Revenue amounted to Rs. 10,26,148, and of those of the previous year by Rupees 80,995.

LAND REVENUE. - Under this head there is a net decrease of Rupees'1,05,515. Of this, a sum of Rupees 15,000 is under Permanently, Settled Estate and appertains entirely to the annual payments due from Sultan Adli Rajah of Cannapore. He has not as yet yaid the amount, and collections according to the provisions of the Revenue Arrears Act has not been resorted to; pending the orders of Government, on my letter, dated 16th August 1870, No. 82, on the Laccadive Island

The decrease under Ryotwar is to be ascribed to the kists in certain taluks, especially Ponany, having been paid less punctually than last year, owing to the general fall in the prices of grain.

- Under Land Bey nue Miscellaneous, the decrease is due to the fall in the collections on account of escheats, as stated in paragraph 10 of this report.
- Abkarry. The revenue under Abkarry has remained almost stationary, owing to the Feems having been sold in 1869 for three years.
- 18. Salt. - This head of Revenue shews an increase of Rupees 1,22,641 which is due chiefly to the menopoly price having been raised. Salt at the enhanced rate was sold only during three months of Fasli 1272.

The quantity of salt purchased this year amounted to 5,64,316 Indian Maunds, against 5,80,756 Maunds in the previous Fasli. It was chiefly imported from Bombay, and the price paid averaged Rupees 54-15-3, per garce. The harges (2,70,118) bear to the gross collection Rupees 11,62,357, a percentage of 24, but excluding the purchase of salt they amount to only, 1 per ce i.

- 19. Sea Customs.—The increase under this head, amounting to Rupees 14, 636, is due chicky to targer exportation of rice and pepper during the year to Foreign ports.
- 20. Land Customs. The decrease under this head is owing to less liquor having been imported into Mahé this year than in the last.
- 21. · Stamps. There is an increase under this head of Rupées 10,506, which is due to the-Revenue from the Court Fee Stamps in April, May and June 1870, not having been shown under this head, owing to orders issued to show it under "Law and Justice."
- Income Tax. The collection during the year amounted to Rupees 94,336, against Rupees 53,364 in 1869-70, the increase being due to the operation of Act XVI. of 1870.
- Balances. -The uncollected balances of the year amount to Rupees 81,561-3-4, of which Rupees 9,118-5-2 appertain to Faslies prior to Fasli 1280. Rupees 35,942-9-0 have been collected since the close of the Fasli, leaving a balance of Rs. 45,618-10-4. Of this Rs. 811-4-2 are found to be irrecoverable, owing to the poverty of the payers in some cases, and absence from India of the defaulters in others; and also to certain lands in Palghaut having been left uncultivated, owing to the still unsettled boundary dispute between Coimbatore and this District,—Vide Board's Proceedings, dated 12th May 1871. No. 1,970. Nearly 600 Rupees appertain to Wynad, where the lands on which the arrears had accrued were sold by auction and found no bidders.

I request that the amount may be sanctioned to be written off the accounts.

Deducting the Rupees 871- -- , onere remains an uncollected balance of Rupees 44,747-6-2. As this amount includes Rupees 20,000 due from Alli Rajah of Cannanore, the balance remaining is not large, and does not therefore call for any explanation.

- 24. EXTENT TO WHICH COEPCIVE PROCESS WAS EMPLOYED IN THE COLLECTION OF REVENUE. In 22 cases it was found necessary to have recourse to coercive measures to recover Government assessment to the extent of Rupe's 4,678 in the taluks named in the margin. Immoveable property was distrained and sold in the Wallu-
 - Ernad, Walluvanad, Palghant, Wynad, 0
- vanad and Wynad Taluks.
- 25. HARGES.—The Revenue charges of the year amounted to Rupees 5,67,033, being Rupees 8,703 in excess of those of the previous year. The previous howing increase are palaries of the Collector and his Assistants, a mere nominal increase due to Acting Judicial officer in the district holding substantive revenue appointment, and purchase of salt. Under the latter, the higher prices paid for salt, for the reasons assigned in my letter, dated 2nd, November 1870, No. 370, account for the increase.
- 26. Examination of Toluk and Village Accounts.—The accounts have been scrutifized by the several officers at the Settlement, and are reported to be properly kept. ..

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27. LANDED ROPERTY ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.—The particulars of glanded prope acquired by Revenue servants in the district during the year are given below.—

		District and Taluk	Lands acquitted. o						
	Name and designation of servants.	in which lands are situated.	Meas	urei	ment.	Rev	Revenue.		
3 4 5 6 7 7 8 9 10 11 12 - 13 14 15	Krishna Iyyen, Huzzoor 6th Accountant Valur Achuda Nair, Tahsildar of Cherakel. Pudia Vittil Shungara menon, Gumastah of Kurumbranad Taluk Parambath Thamoo Nair, 3rd Inspector of do Pydel Kurup, Sheristadar, Palghaut Taluk Kavasherri Krishna menon, 2nd Gumastah, Ernad Taluk Sh shon Putter, 3rd Gumastah, Ernad Talook P. Padinhare Kalathil Govinda Nair, Gumastah, Walluvanad Taluk Pambalatodi Kellu Kuti menon, Gumastah Vulluvanad Talook Mela latha Krishna menon, Sub-Magistrate of Terurangadi R Gramom Vengudeshwara Iyen, Gumastah Alatur Sub-Magistrate's Court K. Viran Kutti, Sub-Magistrate of Cherpulasheri Letchmi Naraina Iyen, Shroff, Wynad Taluk N. Tirumalayen, 2nd Gumastah, Sub-Magistrate's Court at Betutpudiangadi P. Itterarasha menon, 1st Gumastah, Ponnani Taluk P. Venjindeshwara Putter, Escheat Inspector	Palghaut. Do. Kotteyam. Ponany. Kurumbranad. Walluvanad. Palghaut and Ernad. Walluvanad. Do. Calicut. Palghaut. Ernad. Wynad. Do. Ernad. Walluvanad. Palghaut.	16 8 0 12 65 4 2 13 15 4 24 2 15 3	13 13 2 15 1 13 6 10 15 0 0 1	15 10 0 31 3 3 46 3 6 21 0 0	7 4 35 40 6 9 41 27 21 18 2	14 0 0 0 0 7 4 10 1 1 5 10 7 1 0 15 9	6. 3 4 4 5 0 0 0 0 0 0	
								•	

28. Remarks on the conduct of the subordinates.—The Sub-Collectorate had for the greater part of the year the advantage of Mr. Logan's able administration, and the Head Assistant's Division was most satisfactorily managed by Mr. Buick. On the Assistants Messrs. Austin and Winterbotham, I am glad to be able to report most favorably. Mr. Cannan, as Acting Deputy-Collector of the Ponany Division, discharged his duties with great zeal and energy.

From the Acting Sheristadar Thyil Ramunni, I have received every assistance, and have found him a trustworthy officer.

The Huzoor establishment generally have satisfactorily discharged the very heavy work which falls on them.

Among the Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars, those of Palghaut (Krishna Pattar) Ernad, (Ramunni Marar), Kurumbranad Raman Vydiar) and Calicut (Ramunni Panikar) have maintained their high characters, and with the others, no grave fault is to be found.

CALICUT,
22nd September 1871a

(Signed) A. MACGREGOR,

Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honour to report on the Settlement of the Sub-division for Fasli 1280.

2. The Jemabundi of Cherakel and Kotteyom Taluks of this Division was conducted by ... Mr. Logen, and that of Kurumbranad by myself. It was commenced on the 2nd December last, and completed on the 25th April 1871.

3. The following were the places where puttahs were distributed, viz :--

				spent in each Taluq.	
Cherakel	1. Cannanore 2. Payangadi]] 13	CALL PROPERTY.
	(3. Taliperamba		}		
Kotteyam	c. Kunuparamba			5	
Kurumbranad.	{1. Badagara 2. Quilandi	A.		} 12	

4. When the inspection of the lands of the deceased Moyan Kunhi Raman Nayar took place, it was found that certain lands, the assessment on which was collected in the Cherukunnu, was situated in Kannapurom Anshom, and the assessment of Rupees 9 payable on them was ordered to be collected in the Amshom in which the land is situated (vide Collector's Circular No. 3, dated 28th January 1865).

5. Three thousand two hundred and eight puttahs were issued in the three taluks for the Fasli under review. Of these, 826 were fresh ones, and the remainder 2,382 were old ones, in which increase or decrease of assessment was made according to the circumstances.

6. It will be seen from the Statement below, that the rain-fall in the three taluks was less than that of the preceding year:—

	 	For Fasli	1279.	In Fashi 1280.				
Taluks.	,Glass.	Ounce.	Fractions of ounce.	Glass.	Ounce.	Fractions of ounce.		
r. Cherakel	163	3	1 .	130	5*	1		
2. Kotteyom et	298	9		125	,===			
3. Kurumbranad	199	6	1	125	. 7	,10		

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7. Cases of Cholera and Small-pox are given in the following table :

		CHOLERA.			SMALL-POX.				'oa	
Taluks.	Divisions.	Attacked.	Cured.	Dead.	Attacked.	Cured	Dead.	Attacked	Cured.	197
1. Cherakel { 2. Kotteyom { 3. Kurumbranad {	1. Taliperamba	19 74 65 89 19 57 56	16 34 25 43 1 31 22	3 40 40 46 18 26 34	13 80 17 23 4 58	67 15 22 4 58	6 13 2 2 1 	32 154 82 112 19 61 114	23 101 40 65 1 35 80	9- \$3 42 * 47 19 26 34 ·
•••	Total	379	172	207•	195	173	€22	574	345	229
	In Fasli 1279	33	4	29	105	85	20	138	89	49

The severity of the cholera attack was greatly lessened in this Division by sending to the places where it broke out Hospital Assistants, with proper medicines for its treatment, and by account to the infected houses in a state of sanitation. By these measures, the disease was got under.

8. It will be seen from the following Statement that paddy was cheaper than in Fasli 1279, but dearer than the average price, calculated over a period of five years:—

Fasli.	First sort pad- dy, per garce.
Fasli 1279	223 10 5 196 11 4 235 -6 7

9. The difference between the total collection of revenue for Faslis 1179 and 1280, is as follows:—

Collection for Fasli 1279... 5,16,337 13 8

Do. do. 1280... 5,16,622 13 0

Increase... 284 15 4

10. The various items of increase and decrease in the revenue are exhibited in the following table:—

WET LANDS.

Particulars for Increase.

Total... 427 1 1

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Particulars for Decrease.

nission	of assessmen	t on lands form	ed into garder	ns	4	7	5
9 Do.		on lands becom					
Do.	do.	on lands floode	d be		89	14	7
Do.	do.	on lands over-	assessed		1	14,	4
		t on Escheat la				131	0
		ment on lands				4	8

Total... 299 3 4

Net Increase .. 127 14 7

DRY LANDS.

	In Fasli 1279.	In Fasli 1280.	Net.		
Jtems.	in Pasii 1275.	In Pasii 1200.	Increase.	Decredse.	
Ellu	RS. A. P. 735 14 8 4,922 5 8 16,290 10 11 646 2 8	RS. A. P. 1,147 8 3 4,720 11 6 14,912 14 10 661 7 6	RS. A. P. 411 9 7 15 4 10	201 10 2 1,377 13 1	
Total	22,595 1 11	21,442 10 1	426 14 5	1,579 6 3	
Net				1,152 .7 10	
ssessment at 6 Annas per Acre	3,757 15 6	3,791 12. 3	33 12 9		
Total	26,353 1 5	25,234 6 4	33 12 9	1,152 7 10	
, Net Decrea		•		1,118 11, 7	

GARDEN LANDS.

Particulars for Increase.

Assessment on new trees brought into account		 1,000	1	5	
Do. Con trees in Cowle gardens	 -3	 256	7	3	
Do. on brees in gardens already assessed			12	0	
Remission of assessment resumed	 	 3	12	. 9	
		-	STATE OF	3515	

Total Increase... 1,490 1 5

Particulars for Decrease.

Decrease on account of remission on unfruitful trees	46	14	2	
Do. do, trees on lands taken up for roads	0	1	11	
Temporary remission to be resumed for certain causes	5	10	9	
Bemission of Shistom rent on Escheat lands sold	67	10	11	
redu sion of rate from Rupees 2 to 1 per acre	93	15	10	
Total Dagrages	934	5	7	

Total Decrease... 254 5 7

Net increase on account of wet or garden lands... 1,403 10 5
Decrease on account of dry lands... 1,118 11 1

Net Increase ...

284 15

11. In the Amshom Service Fund there is a decrease Rupees 4-10-10, as snown

12. There is an increase of Rupees 11-14-8 in the District Road Fund, as shown below a

13. It will be seen from the Statement below that the Revenue in this year exceeds the average Revenue for the last five years by Rupees 2,669-12-7.

Fasli. Cherakel.		Kotteyom.	Kurumbranad.	Total.		
•	BS. A. P.	7 RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.		
1275	1,94,180 14 %	96,851 3 7	2,04,810 3 2	4,95,842 5 4		
2270	1,95,090 12 4	96,480 15 3	2,05,866 3 2	4,97,437 14 9		
1277	1,95,558 11	96,353 4 0	2,06,207 3 1	4,98,119 2 9		
1278	1,97,025 4 4	98,610 10 0	2,06,891 11 8	5,02,027 10 0		
1279	1,96,652 8 1	98,590 1 10	2,06,095 2 10	5,01,337 12 9		
Total	9,78,508-3 0	4,86,886 2 8	10,29,370 7 11	24,94,764 13 7		
A verage 5 years				4,98,952 15 6		
1280		***		5,01,622 12 4		
Increase				2,669 12 7		

- 14. As the Abkarry Farms were let for three years from Fasli 1279, the collection on that account is, as it was last year, Rupee 86,900.
 - 15. Under the head of F rry Farms, there is an increase of Rupees 1,985, as shown below:-

For Fasli 1279 37,790
Do. 1280 89,775

Increase... 1.98

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Te following table shows the various items of revenue :-

Items.	In Fasli 1279.	In°Fasli 1280.	Increase.	Decre
Land Revenue.	RS. A. P.	RS. A.	RS. A. P.	RS. A.
-Wet	2,63,117 8 8	2,63,245 7 3	127 14 7	
95 8.	26,353 1 5	25,234 6 4	The	1,118
Garden	2,10,919 4 10	2,12,195 0 8	1,275 11 10	3 68
Cannanore Karar	15,000 0 11	15,000 0 11		
Total	5,15,389 15 10	5,15,674 15 2	1,403 10 5	1,118 11
Inam Jodi	947 13 10	947 13 10	,	
Grand Total	5,16,337 13 8	5,16,622 13 0	1,403 10 5	· 1,(18'1)
Miscellaneous.				F. H
Amshom Service Fund.	4,737 13 1	4,733 2 3	´`	10
Road Fund	15,825 15 4	15,837 14 0	11 14 8	
Abkarry Rent and Kathy Chutty	86,971 6 4	86,971 6 4		
Ferry Rent	37,790	CYPERINO	1,985 0 0	3
Grad'Total	6,61,663 0 5	663,940 3 7	3,400 9 1,	1,123
Net Increase	y	· (2,277 3 2	

17. There is a collection of Rupees 0-1-6 under the head Shevoy Jema.

18. The interest on arrears of kists amounts to Rupees 110-15-11, as particularized below

•	· Particulars.	For Fasli 1279.	For Fasli 1280.	
		RS. A. P.	JRS. A. P.	
	On arrears of Ferry rents	26 10 11	43 13 0	
	On arrears of Land Revenue	116 4 10	67 2 11 •	•
	Total	15 9	110 15 11	1

19. Of the total demand of Rupees 6,63,940-3-7 for the Fasli, Rupees 6,48,886,5 collected. The balances of Rupees 15,053-14-5 for this Fasli and Page 8 5,000-0-11 last Fasli, amounting to Rupees 20,053-15-4, were in arrests. Of these errears, Rupees 5 due by a ryot in Kurumbranad Taluk has been collected. The balance is one by Sultan of Cannanore, and the recovery of the same is not proceeded with, per light the receipt that to the Collector on the subject, dated 16th instant, No. 532

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I have been such a short time in charge of this Division, that I can scarcely an asything ling the conduct of the different subordinates. They have given me satisfaction doing to have had to do with them.

CHELRY, July 1871.

(Signed) J. CAMERON, Acting Sub Collector

(True Copy.)

(Signed)

H. M. WINTERBOTHAM, Assistant for Collector