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ABSTRACT OF SEASON REPORTS FOR JULY, 1892.

WESTERN PROVINCE.

COLOMBO DISTRICT.

Paddy.—In Siyané Kóralé West a good yala crop expected. In Hówágam kóralé crop prospects bad owing to leaf disease; fields being prepared for maha. In Salpiti kóralé a very good yala crop is expected. In Alutkúru Kóralé South yala is earing, and crop prospects are favourable. In Siyané Kóralé East a good yala crop expected; fields already cultivated for maha.

An ordinary July, and favourable to agriculture.

NEGOMBO DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Yala paddy thriving. Sowing already commenced for maha.

KALUTARA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Kalutara Totamune good. Rayigam and Pasdun kóralés somewhat damaged by drought.

Dry Grain.—No cultivation.

CENTRAL PROVINCE.

KANDY DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Uda Dumbara: moderate. Pata Dumbara and Yatinuwara: unfavourable. Tumpane: fair. Harispattu: crop damaged by flies. Pata Héwáheta: good. Udapaláta fair, except where damage has been caused by floods. Uda Bulatgama: good. Udunuwara: paddy crop much damaged by flies.

Dry Grain.—Uda Dumbara: kurakkan prospects moderate. Pata Dumbara and Yatinuwara: unfavourable. Tumpane: fair. Harispattu: good kurakkan crop expected. Pata Héwáheta: good. Udunuwara: kurakkan cultivation not yet begun.

MÁTALÉ DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Yala crop slightly damaged by flies, but prospects fair.

Dry Grain.—Chenas in Mátalé North failed; in Mátalé East chenas just being cleared.

Rainfall very poor in Mátalé East.

NUWARA ELIYA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Kotmalé: fields being ploughed and sown for the maha. Uda Héwáheta and Walapané: reaping of maha concluded—crop good.

Dry Grain.—Kotmalé: kurakkan young plants. Uda Héwáheta and Walapané: no work on chenas.

NORTHERN PROVINCE.

JAFFNA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Ploughing and manuring general throughout the district.

Dry Grain.—Panichhāmi and thenaichāmi almost all reaped, and the crop reported to be good on the whole, though in Vadamarachchi West the former grain was reported to have been affected by drought, and the latter damaged in blossom by the hard blowing. Kurakkan in ear in most divisions, and sowing of payaru commenced in chempadu lands.

Except slight showers on the 1st and 3rd July in Jaffna and Valikānam North, there was no rain during the month. Cutting and curing of tobacco almost completed, and shows on the whole a fair crop.

MANNAR DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Sirupokam in two villages: in Mantai pattu ripe, and fairly good in Musali pattu. It has failed in nine villages, in three for want of rain; good elsewhere. Preparations being made in some villages for the kalapokam on mainland.

Dry Grain.—Preparations for cultivation of dry grain being made in some villages in Mannar island.

MULLAITTIVU DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Small idaipokam crop has been reaped and stacked; yield below the average. Sirupokam cultivated in one or two villages only. Preparations being made for cultivation of kalapokam.

Dry Grain.—Preparations for cultivation now in progress.

VAVUNIYA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Idaipokam crop now being reaped and stacked; average yield. Sirupokam crop in ear doing well at present.

Dry Grain.—No cultivation.

Water supply in some tanks likely to fail.

SOUTHERN PROVINCE.

GALLE DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Gangaboda pattu, Wellaboda pattu, Four Gravets, and Aknimana: yala crop exceedingly good; Talpe pattu and Bentota: good in the low lands but high lands have suffered from insufficient rain; Hinidum pattu: crops poor owing to want of rain.

MATARA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Gravets: little paddy cultivated for yala, good, except in one division damaged by salt water; maha sowings just commenced. Wellaboda pattu: good. Morowak koralé: crop damaged by drought. Gangaboda pattu: yala crop good and being reaped; maha sowings commenced. Kandaboda pattu and Weligam koralé: yala crop good and being reaped; preparations being made to commence maha cultivation.

Dry Grain.—Gravets: no fine grain. Wellaboda pattu: crop damaged by drought. Kandaboda pattu and Weligam koralé: fine grain fair.

HAMBANTOTA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—West Giruwa pattu: crops middling, in some places bad owing to insufficient rainfall. East Giruwa pattu: small extent sown, good. Magam pattu: crops at Tissa good; near Walawa-ganga good.

Dry Grain.—Almost all chena crops in West Giruwa pattu have perished for want of seasonable rain.

Rain on the 20th. Food supply good.

EASTERN PROVINCE.

BATTICALOA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Later pinmari crops good,—not yet ripe. Ettala cultivation has commenced.

Dry Grain.—Lands are being cleared for cultivation of Indian corn and fine grain.

Hoof-and-mouth disease prevalent among cattle in Batticaloa North. Price of paddy per bushel Re. 1.33, Indian corn Re. 1.25, fine grain Re. 1.25.

TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Prospects of crops fair. Early sown paddy reaped and harvested.

Price of paddy has increased from Re. 1.75 to Rs. 2. Locally grown paddy almost exhausted owing to failure of last year's crops. Paddy and kurakkan are obtained from Sinhalese villages, and Coast rice is also used by the villagers.

NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.

KURUNEGALA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Crops middling where tank water has been obtainable.

Dry Grain.—Fine grain generally destroyed. Chenas in preparation for maha.

No rain to speak of. Scarcity of food reported from Katugampola.

PUTTALAM DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Demala hatpattu: crop in ear and promises well. Puttalam division: no cultivation for want of rain, Kalpitiya division: small extent of cultivation; prospects good.

Dry Grain.—Demala hatpattu; dry grain cultivation failed for want of rain. Puttalam division: see under *Paddy*.

CHILAW DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Northern Division: yala crop partly ripe, but partly damaged by flies—condition fair; maha cultivation not commenced owing to scarcity of water in the tanks. Southern division: partly damaged for want of rain, the rest earing; fields being ploughed for maha harvest.

Dry Grain.—In Southern Division fine grain has been damaged for want of rain; prospects doubtful.

NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE.

ANURÁDHAPURA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Yala paddy is in various stages. Damage from want of water reported from Négampaha kóralé and from insects in Nuwaragam paláta. Elsewhere prospects favourable.

Dry Grain.—Small gingelly crop reaped in Kalagam and Hurulu palátas only.

Rain in Tamankaduwa and part of Nuwarakaláwiya early in month.

PROVINCE OF UVA.

BADULLA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Maha crops in all the divisions harvested, the yield generally being good. Sowing for yala has commenced in some of the lower divisions.

Dry Grain.—Cultivation being begun.

PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA.

RATNAPURA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Yala harvest on wet lands in all the kóralés promises an exceptionally large yield, except in Kuruwiti and Kukulu kóralés, where, owing to drought, prospects are middling. Ploughing operations for maha in progress throughout district.

Dry Grain.—Prospects on ohena lands favourable both for fine grain and el-wi.

KÁGALLA DISTRICT.

Paddy.—Paranakúru kóralé: yala crop fair. Beligal: poor owing to flies and bambupíduma. Galboda and Kinigoda: poor owing to want of sufficient rain. Three Kóralés and Lower Bulatgama: crops bad in some fields which have been affected by bambupíduma, elsewhere crops are middling. Ploughing for maha not yet over.

Dry Grain.—Kurakkan, mun, hill paddy, iringu: prospects poor owing to want of rain. Kurakkan in Three Kóralés and Lower Bulatgama middling. Gingelly is being reaped in Beligal kóralé: crop middling.

Hoof-and-mouth disease reported from parts of Beligal kóralé and Paranakuru kóralé.

SEASON REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 1892.

Province and District.	Average Rainfall in Inches.				Price per Bushel.										Sowing and Condition of Crop.	Harvest.	Remarks.
	In the Quarter.	To end of Quarter.	To end of corresponding Quarter of past three years.	Paddy.			Dry Grain.			Corresponding Quarter last year.	Corresponding Quarter last year.						
				Last Quarter.	This Quarter.	Corresponding Quarter last year.	Description of Grain.	Last Quarter.	This Quarter.								
WESTERN. Colombo	23-54	37-77	39-35	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Field work for the yala harvest is at an end, and the young plants are looking well. An excellent crop is expected.	"Muttes" harvest in some parts of the Colombo District. Crops very fair.		
	17-72	37-32	22-38	1 50	1 50	1 50	Practically none in the market	Do.	do.	do.	do.	do.	Do.	Do.	Do.		
	23-01	36-29	42-81	1 25	1 50	1 50	Do.	do.	do.	do.	do.	do.	do.	Do.	Do.		
CENTRAL. KANDY. Udunuwara	—	—	—	1 12½	1 25	—	Kurakkan Amu Hill paddy	1 0 0 50 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	—	—	—	Paddy: yala sowing and transplanting over; crop prospects bad. Maha sowing commenced late owing to drought. Kurakkan: sown in May, owing to drought crop prospects bad. Hill paddy: sowing commenced.	—	Yala crop: paddy sown early is damaged by flies	
	—	—	—	1 50	1 50	—	Kurakkan Amu Hill paddy	1 0 0 75 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	—	—	—	Paddy: yala sowing and transplanting over; crop prospects bad owing to drought. Kurakkan: yala chenas sown in plants. Crop prospects bad owing to drought	—	The extent cultivated under paddy and kurakkan this yala is less than that of last year owing to drought	
	—	—	—	1 50	1 50	—	Kurakkan Amu Hill paddy	1 0 0 75 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	—	—	—	Paddy: yala sowing and transplanting over; crop prospects bad owing to drought. Kurakkan: yala chenas sown in plants. Crop prospects bad owing to drought	—	The extent cultivated under paddy and kurakkan this yala is less than that of last year owing to drought	

NORTHERN.
Jaffna

...	2-41	4-11	9-66	1 73 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 85 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 66	Varaku Payaru Kollu Kurakkan Panicchami Ellu Thenai Ulanthu Purchami Mondi Karutachami	1 25 3 82 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ 3 75 1 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ 4 32 1 25 1 0 1 25	1 34 $\frac{1}{2}$ 3 80 2 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 50 3 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ 4 25 1 25 0 75 1 25	1 20 3 0 1 87 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 52 1 41 3 48 1 50 3 70 — 80 —	The usual extent cultivated with panicchami, tenaichami, and kurakkan, and the plants reported to be in good condition having been benefited by the rain which set in on 26th June	Ellu, payaru, and kurakkan crops reaped during the quarter reported on the whole, fair, the rains of April having proved very beneficial. Tobacco was cut and cured during the quarter, and the outturn was not below average, notwithstanding the fears entertained at the end of the last quarter	In April there was rain almost throughout the district, heavy in some parts and light in others, on the 13th, 14th, 18th, and 23rd, accompanied by thunder and lightning; and some partial showers on the 15th, 16th, 17th, and 19th, which proved of great benefit to the dry grain and tobacco crops, and enabled the cultivators to plough their paddy fields.	In May there was no rain. The wind in general strong from south and south-west with occasional lulls. Heavy clouds with distant lightning during last 3 days, in the evening in north, north-east, and north-west.	In June there were partial showers of rain on the 26th, 27th, and 28th. Heavy clouds with distant lightning and thunder for the last few days in south, south-west, and east.
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	In the Quarter.	To end of Quarter.	To end of corresponding Quarter of past three years.	Paddy.			Dry Grain.									
				Last Quarter.	This Quarter.	Corresponding Quarter last year.	Description of Grain.	Last Quarter.	This Quarter.	Corresponding Quarter last year.						
Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.				
Vavuniya	12-58	19-26	21-65	1 52	1 28	1 79	Gingelly Kurakkan	1 9	3 26	3 13	3 58	A small extent has been sown for siripokam, and the plants are doing well. In majority of tanks there was insufficient water for siripokam cultivation.	Prospects generally good. Every village has had a crop. Food supply normal			
Mannár	2-80	9-41	7-24	1 50	1 50	1 50	Kampampall, ka-dakkanni, and kurakkan. The dry grain is consumed by the cultivators, and no price can be quoted	—	—	—	—	Paddy sowing for siripokam in about fifteen villages on the mainland. Dry grain none	—			
Mullaitivu	4-24	8-39	15-99	1 0	1 25	1 25	Kurakkan	0 75	1 0	1 0	1 0	A small extent only has been sown for siripokam, and the plants are doing well. In the majority of tanks the water was insufficient for cultivation purposes	The kalapokam crop has been threshed, and gave a fairly good return. A small siripokam crop (72 bushels extent) has been respiced and stacked, and is considered a poor one	The present food supply is satisfactory, as almost every village has had a crop.		

SOUTHERN.													
GALLE.													
Four Gravets and Akminana	—	1 25	1 25	1 25	1 25	—	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	Whole crop good	Yala	Yala harvest is expected to be good
Talpe pattu ...	—	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	—	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	Crop middling	Yala	The recent rains are favourable to some lands. A few crop commuted lands have been damaged by salt water
Gangaboda pattu	47-41	1 25	1 25	1 25	1 25	—	—	—	1 50	1 50	Crops ripening	Yala	A good harvest may be expected
Wellaboda pattu	—	1 12	1 12	1 12	1 12	—	4 0	4 0	3 75	3 75	Good	Yala	—
Bentota - Walalawiti koralé	—	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	Mederi	0 75	1 0	0 75	0 75	The yala sowing finished	Yala	The crops not thriving owing to scarcity of water
Hindum pattu ...	—	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	—	0 75	0 75	0 75	0 75	Bad	Yala	—
HAMBANTOTA.													
Magam pattu ...	—	1 25	1 50	1 50	1 50	Kurakkan	1 25	1 25	1 0	1 0	Reaping of the first & second maha completed. First yala promising at Tissu	Second maha good	The weather has been most unseasonable, no rain falling when it was most wanted
East Giruwa pattu	—	1 50	1 50	2 0	1 50	Kurakkan	1 25	1 25	1 25	1 25	Reaping of maha completed. Small extent of yala sown, good	Second maha good	Food prospects good
West Giruwa pattu	—	1 50	1 50	1 37½	1 25	Kurakkan	1 25	1 12½	1 25	1 25	Yala crops middling	Second maha good	—
Rain-gauge Stations:—													
Udukiwila ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirama ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tissamaharama ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ellagala ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hambantota ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Liyangabotota ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tangalla ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10-50													
MATARA.													
Four Gravets ...	—	1 25	1 75	1 50	1 25	Kurakkan	1 25	1 50	1 75	1 75	Yala crop middling	Yala	Few fields cultivated for yala
Wellaboda pattu	—	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 25	Mun	3 0	3 50	3 75	3 75	Yala crop very good	Yala	—
Kandaboda pattu	—	1 25	1 50	1 50	1 25	Kurakkan	1 0	1 50	1 50	1 50	Yala crop good	Yala	Few fields cultivated for yala
Weligam koralé...	—	1 25	1 50	1 50	0 87½	Amu	1 0	1 50	1 25	1 0	Yala crop good	Yala	—
Tana													
					0 75			1 0					

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			Last Quarter.	This Quarter.	Corresponding Quarter last year.	Description of Grain.	Last Quarter.	This Quarter.	Corresponding Quarter last year.						
Gangaboda pattu	5-87	—	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Some damage by godawellus and drought, but the crop on the whole good	Yala	—
	7-69	—	1 75	1 75	1 25	Mederi Kurakkan Amu	0 75	1 50	1 0	1 25	1 0	1 0			
	4-90	18-46	1 75	1 75	1 25	—	1 0	1 12½	1 0	1 25	1 0	1 0			
Morawak koralé...	—	—	1 75	1 75	1 75	Kurakkan Amu Mederi Mun Tala	1 25	1 0	1 0	1 25	1 50	1 50	Yala crop damaged by drought	Yala	—
EASTERN.															
Bathicaloa ...	7-10	42-09	1 35 to 1 0	1 45 to 1 0	1 0	Indian corn Fine grain	1 0	1 25	1 25	1 25	1 0	1 0	Sowing of later pinmari is nearly over. Crops in good condition.	Early pinmari (partly damaged) is being harvested	Owing to failure of the crops through flood and blight, Paddy is rising in price. Export to Jaffna has commenced.
Trincomalee ...	2-0	4-3	1 87	1 75	1 50	Dry grain	1 30	1 30	1 37½	1 30	1 37½	1 37½	Sowing over. Condition of crops good	Pinmari crops in plants and blossom, except at Kotliar, where crops on about 390 acres have been reaped and stacked	A mild type of foot-and-mouth disease among cattle is prevailing.
NORTH-WESTERN															
KURUNEGALA.															
Wendawili hat-pattu (Rainfall registered at Kurunégala)	18-70	35-12	1 25	1 25	1 75	Kurakkan Tala	—	1 0	1 25	1 12½	1 12½	1 12½	Paddy: 250 amunams sown, young	Yala	The unusual drought appears to have been most severely felt in Dambadeni and in Dewameddi hatpattus. Of these Dambadeni is almost entirely dependent on the rainfall, and the harvest is likely to be a failure. The amount of cultivation in Wannu is very small for the size of the district, and crops throughout the Province have suffered from want of rain. Paddy in low lands irrigable from tanks has to a certain extent stood the drought, but is thin. Fine grain on high lands, where sown, has been destroyed almost without exception.
Dewameddi hat-pattu (Rainfall registered at Wariyapola)	15-07	28-57	1 0 to 1 25	1 25	1 50 to 2 0	Kurakkan, meneri, and tala	1 12½ to 1 25	1 12½ to 1 25	1 25 to 1 50	1 12½ to 1 25	1 25 to 1 50	1 25 to 1 50	Outlook bad. Fields abandoned for want of rain	Yala	
Dambadeni hat-pattu (Mean of rainfall at Pol-gahawela and Narammola)	—	—	1 0 to 1 37½	1 25 to 1 37½	1 25 to 1 50	Kurakkan	0 75	1 0 to 1 12½	0 75 to 1 0	1 0 to 1 12½	0 75 to 1 0	1 0 to 1 0	Failure. Many fields abandoned for want of rain	Yala	
Katugampola hat-pattu (Rainfall registered at Kuliyapitiya)	—	—	1 50	1 50	1 75	Kurakkan, mun & c	1 28	1 0	1 25	1 0	1 25	1 25	Condition of crop middling, but thin on account of the drought	Yala	

Wanni hatpattu (Rainfall registered at Nikaweratiya)	13-10	20-20	Nil & 45-50°	1 50	1 25	1 50	Kurakkan, mun, &c.	1 0	1 0	1 50	1 35 amunams sown ...	Yala	—
Hiriya hatpattu (Rainfall registered at Gokarella)	11-52	24 50	27-52 & 46-97	1 12½	1 25	1 75	Kurakkan, mun, &c.	1 0	1 12½	1 5	Paddy: 339 amunams. Fine grain: 9 amunams. Condition of crop fair	Yala	—
POTALAM ...	19-79	7-53	9-20	1 50	1 50	1 75	Kurakkan	1 50	1 28	1 25	Neither paddy nor fine grain sown in Putalam pattu for want of rain. Fields ploughed and chenas sown for yala in Demala hatpattu, and in some villages the plants are young	Yala	—
CHILAW.													
Pitigal Koralé North	19-89	23 05	25-17	1 25	1 25	1 50	—	1 0	1 0	1 12	Paddy sowings: de-wareddiri and balawi. Fine grain: meneri, mun, and gingelly. Condition fair	—	The late rain has done much good in all divisions
Pitigal Koralé Central	6-26	9-41	Not ascertainable (Doubtful)	1 50	1 50	1*75	Mun Kurakkan	3 50	3 50	1 50	Do. do.	—	—
Pitigal Koralé Southern				1 50	1 50	1 75	Mun Kurakkan	3 50	1 12	1 25	1 50	Do. do.	—
NORTH-CENTRAL.													
Nuwarakalsiya	There was rain in April; none in May and June			1 50	1 25	1 50	Kurakkan Gingelly Mun Undu Kollu	0 90 2 50 3 50 1 90 1 40	0 75 2 50 3 0 3 0 1 75	1 0 2 0 3 50 2 0 2 0	Cultivation for yala harvest is in various stages. The general outlook is favourable, but the extent cultivated is restricted owing to cattle murrain. Gingelly and mun crops destroyed for want of rain throughout the Province	A successful, but limited, media harvest is being reaped	Food supply is ample everywhere. Water-supply sufficient. Twenty-five village tanks are being re-filled from Kalawewa
Tamankaduwa ...	Do.	do.	do.	1 75	1 75	2 0	Kurakkan Gingelly Mun Undu Kollu	1 40 3 75 3 75 2 75 1 50	1 40 1 75 3 75 2 75 1 50	1 50 — — — —	Fields have been cultivated early for yala. Crop is maturing. Condition is favourable	Prospects of yala harvest good	Water supply sufficient

* Mean of Rainfall registered at Nikaweratiya and Bololla.

SABARAGAMUWA. RANAPURA. Kuruwiti koralé...	71-98	88-53	155-58	1 26	1 25	1 25	1 25	0 75 0 75 0 50	0 75 0 75 0 50	0 75 0 75 0 50	Yala harvest sown and the plants are in blossom. The condition of crops in some villages favourable owing to rain during the quarter	—	Murrain and hoof-and-mouth disease prevails in some villages of this koralé
Nawadun koralé...	—	—	—	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 0 0 75 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	1 0 0 75 0 75	The first yala had been sown under favourable circumstances	The second maha crop has been harvested. The crop was very ordinary	The harvesting of the second maha is generally interrupted by rainy weather; but this year weather had been favourable. Cattle murrain prevails in some villages of this koralé
Atakalan koralé...	—	—	—	1 75	1 75	1 75	1 0 0 25	1 0 0 25	1 0 0 25	1 0 0 25	The second maha crop has been gathered. The fields for the yala have been sown. Prospects favourable.	—	Cattle murrain prevails in some villages of this koralé
Kolonna koralé ...	9-53	23-26	60-53	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 25 0 75 4 0 4 0 0 75	1 25 1 0 4 0 4 0 0 75	1 0 0 75 4 0 4 0 0 75	1 0 0 75 4 0 4 0 0 75	The crop on dry grain for maha has been harvested. The fields are being sown in some parts of the koralé, and in others the plants in different stages of growth with favourable prospects	—	—
Kadawatu koralé...	—	—	—	1 25 to 1 50	1 25 to 1 75	1 12 to 1 25	1 12 to 1 50	1 25 to 1 50	—	—	The permas crop was fairly good. Yala thriving well, but not so good as in previous years. Generally the fields in Kadawatu koralé are not so good as those in the Meda koralé	—	Damage to the crop by drought was caused by late sowing

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			Last Quarter.	This Quarter.		Rs. c.	Rs. c.					Rs. c.				Rs. c.	
SABARAGAMUWA— <i>contd.</i>																	
Meda koralé ...			Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Kurakkan	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.						Damage to the crop was caused by late sowing. Cattle murrain prevails in some villages of this koralé
			1 0 to 1 25	1 25 to 1 75	1 25		1 0	1 25	1 0	1 25	1 0						
Kukulu koralé ...			1 25	1 25	1 25	Amu Kurakkan Meneri	0 75 0 75 0 75	0 75 0 75 0 75	0 75 0 75 0 75	0 75 0 75 0 75	0 75 0 75 0 75						
KĠGALLA.																	
Galboda and Kinigoda koralés	No meteorological instruments for recording observations		1 25	1 25	1 25	Kurakkan Amu Hill paddy Iringu	0 75 0 75 3 0 1 0 3 0	0 75 0 75 3 0 1 0 3 0	0 75 0 75 3 0 1 0 3 0	0 75 0 75 3 0 1 0 3 0	0 75 0 75 3 0 1 0 3 0						Prospects fair There has not been sufficient rain during the quarter

Beligal koralé ...	Do.	do.	do.	1 25	1 37	1 37	1 37	Hill paddy Kurakkan Amu Mun Meneri Gingelly Iringu	1 0 0 87 0 50 3 50 0 50 3 12 0 84	1 12 1 0 0 62 3 50 0 62 3 25 0 84	1 12 1 0 0 62 3 50 0 62 3 25 0 84	Paddy, kurakkan, mun, and gingelly partly sown for want of rain. Hill paddy and iringus are being sown. Maha fields are being ploughed.	Prospects fair	There has not been sufficient rain during the quarter. Hoof-and-mouth disease in cattle prevails in some villages
Paranakuru koralé	24-48	24-48	38-15	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	Amu Kurakkan	0 50 0 75	0 50 0 75	0 50 0 75	Paddy and hill paddy partly sown for want of rain; che- nas in some parts are being prepared for sowing. Hill paddy: maha fields are being ploughed.	Prospects fair	There has not been sufficient rain during the quarter. Cattle murrain decreasing
Three Koralés and Lower Bulat- gama	27-59	27-59	44-99	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	Amu Kurakkan	0 50 0 75	0 50 0 75	0 50 0 75	Maha fields are being ploughed. Growth on yala fields fair. Kurakkan are in plants.	Prospects fair	Rainfall moderate

NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

SEALED Tenders (in duplicate), marked on the envelopes "Tender for provisioning Hospitals," will be received by the Hon. the Secretary at his office up to 12 noon on Monday, August 29, 1892, from persons willing to contract for supplying raw provisions to the under-mentioned Government Field Hospital for one year commencing from October 1, 1892:—

	Security if in Landed Property. Rs.	Security if in Cash. Rs.
Field Hospital, Hambagamuwa	250	100

2. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application to the Principal Civil Medical Officer and Inspector-General of Hospitals, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognised form, and unless accompanied by a letter signed by two responsible persons, whose addresses must be given, engaging to become security for the due fulfilment of the contract.

3. Every tenderer will be required to make a deposit (on applying for forms) of Rs. 50; and should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond after he has tendered, or fail to furnish approved security, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned after the contract has been signed. The deposit

must be made at the Treasury, and the deposit receipt must be produced to the officer issuing the form as his authority for making the issue.

4. When required, samples must be deposited.

5. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of the contract. The amount of security is given opposite the service. Title deeds or cash must be deposited. The person whose tender has been accepted by Government will be required to bear the expense of having security bonds prepared for the due performance of his contract, which bonds will be prepared by the Attorney-General.

6. Every alteration in the tenders should bear the initials of the tenderers; all tenders containing alterations not bearing the tenderers' initials will be treated as informal and rejected.

7. Any further information can be obtained on application to the Principal Civil Medical Officer and Inspector-General of Hospitals.

8. The Government reserves to itself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender.

H. L. CRAWFORD,
for Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, August 10, 1892.