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From

A. S. BULKLEY, Esquire,<br>Deputy Superintendent, Gujarát Revenue Survey;

To

J. K. SPENCE, Esquire, Collector, Panch Maháls.

Camp Jhálod, Panch Maháls, 9th March 1885.

## Sir,

I have the honour to submit a report on the proposed revised settlement of the khálsa villages of the Hálol Táluka of the Panch Maháls Collectorate on the expiry of the term of the original survey settlement, and to request that you will have the goodness to forward it in due course for the sanction of Government to the proposals submitted and to the introduction of the revised settlement in accordance therewith.
2. It is not proposed to change the grouping of villages and the maximum dry-crop rates which were sanctioned at the original settlement.
3. The Statement (A.) appended gives details relating to the revenue history of the khalsa villages of this talluka from the first year of the survey settlement (1879-80) up to the year 1883-84, and shows that that settlement has, on the whole, worked satisfactorily. It will be seen from it that in the second year of the settlement the area of occupied Government land diminished by 1,085 acres. The reasons for this decrease are that a considerable area of included waste was excluded from the original total area of occupied survey numbers and relinquished, and that some of the land which had been held by the Taláviás who were introduced into the Mahál for the purpose of colonising the district in the neighbourhood of Chámpáner was relinquished by them owing to inability or unwillingness to retain it. In the following year (1881-82) the occupied area was 17,116 acres 8 gunthas, showing an increase on that of the preceding year of 3,904 acres and on that of the first year of the settlement of 2,819 acres. It will be seen, however, that this large increase was not fully maintained in the two following years. This is probably mainly due to the fact that more land was at first taken up by the people, owing to the facilities afforded by the abovementioned exclusion of included waste areas, and the consequent dimination of the areas of survey numbers, than they could fairly or profitably manage. It is moreover not altogether improbable that the gradual falling off observable since 1881-82 has in some measure resulted from the Forest Department's having taken over a considerable area of the cultivable lands in some villages, to the inconvenience of their people and their consequent relinquishment of their cultivated lands. A comparison of the entries under the heads of remissions and outstanding balances for the years since 1881-82 shows however that these amounts have steadily decreased, and that the revenue of the táluka has been collected each year with gradually less ning difficulty. 'There is not then, in my opinion, any reason to doubt that the survey rates which were sanctioned by Government after very full discussion and deliberation are suitable, and I would respectfully recommend that the propused revised rates, if sanctioned, be guaranteed for a period of 20 years, commencing from 188:5-86, inclusive, when they will be introduced, so that they may expire the year after those of the revised settlements of the Jhailod and Dohad Talukas.

1. The only modifications now proposed to be made in the details of the original settlement result from the same principle and system of revising the в $1465-1$
classification of lands adjudged to have facilities for irrigation as that which has been sanctioned and adopted in the case of similar lands in the Jhalod and Dohad Tálukas. These principles and the system of classifying lands possessing such facilities both in subsoil water and in water procurable by lifts from rivers and streams have been described in my report No. 201, dated 10th April 1884, on the proposed revised settlement of the Jhálod Táluka. It is not, therefore, necessary to repeat the description in the present report.
2. In the case of the Halol Táluka lands the only modification of the Jhálod and Döhad Táluka details has been made in respect of the depths from surface to water which have been fixed in order to determine the several classes in which the irrigable lands are to be entered, and of the maximun depth to water beyond which all lands shall be adjudged exempt from classification and assessment as irrigable. It will be seen from the scales that the depth for the top class (A.) is fised at up to 20 feet in place of up to 14 feet, as was the case in Jhalod and Dohad, and the depth for the lowest class (C.) at 35 instead of 30 feet. These modifications were deemed necessary as being consistent with the somewhat differing physical peculiarities of the talluka from those of the lands with water-bearing strata met with in the Jhálod and Dohad Tálukas.
3. The enhanced soil assessment to be imposed on lands adjudged to be irrigable has been calculated on a scale of classification of water advantages having the same range as that fixed for such lands in the Jhalod Taluka, viz., from 2 annas to 6 pies per acre, according to the maxinum soil rate of each village.
4. The effect of the application of this scale in the case of the occupied Gcvernment lands of each village, according to the group in which it is placed, is shown in the figured Statement (B.) appended. The following figures give an abstract of those results for the táluka as a whole :-

| Year 1883-84. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| According to the Original Sarvey Settlement. |  | According to the Revised Survey Settlement. |  | Increase. |  |
| Area: | Assessment including special water-rate. | Area. | Ancusment. |  |  |
| A. g. | Rs. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | A. g. | Rs. a. | Rs. | a. |
| 15,839 23 | 17,531 11 | 15,839 23 | 17,768 10 | 236 |  |

The net increase, Rs. 236-15-0, comes to about $1 \frac{1}{3}$ per cent. on the gross assessment of the occupied Government lands of the táluka.
8. The result, accordingly, of the proposed revised assessment of lands having water advantages is that, whereas by the original settlement Rs. 887-12.0 were imposed as a special water-rate on an area of 307 acres 29 gunthas assessed as bígaít, by the revised settlement a sum of Rs. 1,124-11-0 will be levied in future as the enhanced soil assessment of an occupied area of 12,850 acres 10 gunthás adjudged to be irrigable.
9. The incidence per acre of the proposed enhanced soil assessment is shown below in detail :-
(1). On the total occupied area adjudged to be irrigable it is nearly 1 anns 5 pies.
(2). On the total area adjudged to be irrigable, occupied and unoccupied, it is 1 anna 3 pies.
(3). On the total occupied area, irrigable and unirrigable, it is a trifle nnder 1 anna 2 pies.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
A. S. BULKLEY,

Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey, Gujarát.

HA'LOL TA'LUKA.
Scale for Lands under Dhekudis.

(Signed) A. S. BULKLEY,
Assistant Settlement Officer, Gujarst Revenue Survey.

HA'LOL TA'LUKA.
Scale for Lands under Wells.

(Signed) A. S. BULKLEY, Assistant Settlement Officer, Gujarát Revenue Surveg.

## STATEMENT A.



Statement for Hálol Táluka
No. Name of Village.

CLASS I.—Maxi


CLASS II.—Maxim


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/mpany Revision Settlement Report.

| upied land. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Increase. | Decrease. |
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|  | 38 | $\ldots$ | . | 11830 |  | 018 | 012 | 12214 | 1414 | 412 | ... |
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A. S. BULKLEY,

Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey, Gujarat.

No. 193 of 1880.

## From

N. B. BEYTS, Esquire,<br>Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarit;

To

W. WOODWARD, Esquire, Acting Collector, Panch Maháls.

Superintendent's Office, Hálol, 15th March 1880.

## Sir,

I have the honour to submit for the early sanction of Government proposed rates of assessment for the Hálol sub-division of the Panch Maháls.
2. I have been unable to do so earlier owing to the measurement and classification of an entire rayatvári village, and parts of several others, taken up by the Talávia colonists out of the surrounding waste, having only been completed at the beginning of the current month. There will, however, be no difficulty in my introducing the survey settlement if I may be permitted to do so commencing from the ist of May.
3. Hálol is bounded on the north by the Kálol Táluka of the Panch Boundaries.

Maháls, on the east by Báriya, Jámbughoda and
Chhota Udepur-Native States under the Rewa Kantha Agency-in your political charge, and on the south and west by the territory of His Highness the Gáekwár of Baroda.
4. It is a compact block, 24 miles long north to south and 18 miles broad east to west, the central part of which is about 25 miles distant from the city of Baroda. Its area is 261 square miles, with a population of 25,926 souls or 99 per square mile.
5. Hálol is a well wooded plain surrounding the great hill of Pávágad.

Aspect. In the western part, bordering on the Gaiek wari boundary and near the town of Halol itself, the villages are well built, surrounded by carefully kept fields fairly tilled; but near the spurs of Pávágad and south-east towards Jámbughoda, except in a few hamlets and forest clearings, the country is untilled and unpeopled, being covered by a low growth of forest timber.
6. The chief natural feature and one of the greatest interest in Eastern

Hills. Gujarát is no doubt the hill of Pávágad which abruptly towering above the ruins of ancient Chámpáner, and dominating a comparative plain, as it appears from the summit, but the country east and south is really erupted with low hills and ridges like Pávágad itself, but in a very much smaller degree cropping out of the generally level plain.
7. The geological survey of this portion of the Maháls shows two marked Geology. features, the great trap rock of Pávágad, and a group of semi-metamorphic beds chiefly of quartzite or quartzite sandstone, the soil being characteristic of these two formations. The decomposed soils in low levels being black, and in all other parts the light fawn coloured gorádu prevails, gritty and shallow towards the hills; deep and loamy in the plains, and in some instances very sandy.
8. The three rivers which cross the sub-division from east to west are Rivers. the Karád on the north, the Vishvámitri in the centre the Báriya hills. The Devnadi flowing south-west is afterwards knowndi from Dhadar in the Broach District. All these rivers dwindle into mere pools towardss
the hot season, but there is a constant stratum of water available throughout the year a little below the surface of the bed.
9. The annual rainfall during the last twelve years from the time it was Rainfall. commenced to be registered is given in the margin, averaging 44.42 inches. The scanty fall in 1877 reduced the sub-division to the verge of famine; the crops for the same reason

| Year. | Inches. | Conts. | found to have failed generally throughout |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1868 | ... 36 | 98 | - |
| 1869 1870 | ... 48 .. 42 | 90 74 | Gujarat. The succeeding year of unusual rainfall was |
| 1871 | ... 33 ‥ 48 | 53 | equally bad, because of having rotted the kharif |
| 1872 1873 | ... 48 $\cdots .35$ .. 38 | 37 | equall bad, because of having rotted the kharif |
| 1874 | ... 35 -. 38 | $\stackrel{25}{51}$ | crop, which had at one time promised to be a bumper. |
| 1875 1876 | ... 51 ... 44 | 45 57 | The fall of the past monsoon, on the other hand, |
| 1877 | ... 28 | 80 |  |
| 1878 1879 | ... 80 | 99 90 | being the usual average, has resulted in a very satis- |
| 1879 | ... 42 | 90 | factory harvest. |

10. The climate of Hálol except within four or five miles of the great Climate. hill, and on its eastern boundary, is not considered more unhealthy than other parts of the Panch Maháls. Its bad character is obtained from the surroundings of deserted Chámpáner, where no doubt it is unhealthy because of the water being tainted with vegetable matter washed down the hills; but the new Talávia colonists who have cleared the jungle and exhausted the stagnant water in the wells have not suffered more than the inhabitants of more favourable localities. The fever epidemic which has been, up to the cold season, raging throughout Gujarit in towns and villages, in both reputedly healthy and unhealthy places alike, does not appear to have been felt in any measure severer in the Hálol sub-division.

## 11. A very interesting historical account and description of the hill of Pávágad and remains of Chámpáner, of which Halol

 was formerly only a suburb, will be found at pages 184 to 191 and 304 to 309 of the 3rd Volume of the Bombay Gazetteer. It appears to have been founded in A.D. 746, and continued up to A.D. 1514 the political capital of Gujarát, at which time it was embellished with good streets and square houses of stone and plaster. The country round was very fertile, full of abundant provisions, wheat, barley, millet, rice, peas and other vegetables, and many cows, sheep, goats and plenty of fruits. Near it were hunting grounds for deer, other wild animals and winged game. The king kept many wild animals and trained hunting dogs, falcons and leopards. Under the Moghals Chámpáner was subordinate to Godhra, tillage declined and by the middle of the seventeenth century so much had lapsed into forest that it had become a hunting ground for wild elephants. In 1803 when the town was taken by the British it only contained 500 inhabitants. In 1812 there were $400 \cdot$ houses, half of them inhabited chiefly by runaways from other Gujarat cities. When in 1853 it came under British management, the place was at most deserted. An attempt was made to bring in cultivators and clear the forest, but the colony failed. Three-fourths died and the rest fled. Except the constable of the police post its only inhabitants are a few families of poor and sickly Kolis and Náikdás.12. The táluka contains 166 villages: 15 are held on service and alienated Number and sind of villages. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { tenures, } 77 \text { are tálukdári, one Dubhági or shared with } \\ \text { Government and } 73 \text { rayatvári. }\end{array}$
13. All these villages have been measured and classed in more or less detail as their settlement requires. A report of the 77 tallukdairi and one Dubhagi village will be separately submitted in a few days hence; this report chiefly relates to the 73 rayatviri villages. The rates, however, considered suitable for them, will be applied to the other villages falling within the radius assigned for the several groups into which it will be expedient to divide the táluka, as will be explained hereafter.
14. The division into survey numbers according to the three different classes of cultivation is given below for the 73 rayatvári villages under report :-

DETAILS OF SURVEYED AREA.

| Description of Land. | Governient. |  | Alienated. |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Numbers. | Acres. | Numbers. | Acres. | Numbers | Acres. |
| Occupied-    <br> Dry-crop $\ldots$ $\ldots$ $\ldots$ <br> Garden $\ldots$ $\ldots$ $\ldots$ <br> Rice $\ldots$ $\ldots$ $\ldots$ | \}2,684 $\{$ | $\begin{array}{r} 14,913 \cdot 31 \\ 308 \cdot 7 \\ 1,307 \cdot 11 \end{array}$ | $\} 1,328$ \{ | $\begin{gathered} 8,2 n 3 \cdot 36 \\ 511 \cdot 7 \\ 697 \cdot 26 \end{gathered}$ | $\} 4,006\{$ | $\begin{array}{r} 20,177.27 \\ 81914 \\ 2,004 \cdot 37 \end{array}$ |
| Total ... | 2,684 | 16,529.9 | 1,322 | 6,472:29 | 4,006 | - 23,001-38 |
| Cultarable    <br> Dryate-crop $\ldots$  .. <br> Garden $\ldots$ $\ldots$  <br> Rice... $\ldots$ $\ldots$ $\ldots$ <br>     | \} $889\{$ | $\begin{gathered} 9,731 \cdot 28 \\ 18 \cdot 0 \\ 144 \cdot 19 \end{gathered}$ | $\} \ldots\{$ | …... | $\} . \varepsilon 89\{$ | $\begin{gathered} 9,731 \cdot 28 \\ 18.0 \\ 144.19 \end{gathered}$ |
| Total ... | 889 | 9,894.7 |  | ...... | 889 | 9,894.7 |
| Unculturable land divided into numbers <br> Forests inclusive of unassessed land <br> Village $\cdots$ sites, $\cdots$ rivers, tanks, roada, \&c. | $\begin{gathered} \quad \begin{array}{r} 59 \\ 68 \end{array} \\ \ldots \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 942 \cdot 15 \\ 48,606 \cdot 19 \\ 1,502 \cdot 9 \end{array}$ | ... | ... | $\begin{aligned} & 59 \\ & 68 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 942 \cdot 15 \\ 48,608 \cdot 19 \\ 1,502 \cdot 9 \end{array}$ |
| Grand Total ... | 3,700 | 77,474•19 | 1,322 | 6,472.29 | 5,022 | 83,947'8 |

15. Taking into account the total area of cultur-

Proportion of occupied to waste land. able assessed and unassessed land at 81,501 acres the following proportions are deduced :-


The unassessed arable land is that which has been divided in large block numbers for colonization, forest reserves, and future requirements of cultivation.
16. The Hisávár subsidiary share-measurement now in progress will make some light difference in the occupied and unoccupied area, and as the Bhils and Naikdás have as usual been cultivating. in the unassessed tracts, the corrections and addition of new numbers necessary will be made in the final report.

17. Respecting the area actually taken up by the Forest Department in the Government rayatvari villages, I have no certain data beyond the 11 marginally given entire villages absorbed. They comprise 14,259 acres, 1,738 acres of which being of small assessed fields and the balance 12,521 acres of the unassessed waste.
18. The population of these 73 villages embracing 131 square miles is Population. 16,354 or 125 to the mile. The agriculturists have only been returned at 2,664 souls, vide statistical tables

Nos. 4 and 5 appended, and of this number there are only 97 male Kanbis above the age of 12 years. The greater number of the cultivators being of the Koli class, and next in order are the Náikdás, Bhils, Talávias, Musalmáns and Rajputs.
19. According to the survey enumeration there are in the 73 Government Statistical particulars. villages 3,319 houses, 457 tiled and 2,862 thatched, 608 carts, 1,817 ploughs, 181 horses and ponies, 2,582 she-buffaloes, 6,004 cows, 4,500 oxen and buffaloes.

## Resources.

20. The tabulated resources are given below :-

No. 1.

Inhabitants.

| Clags. |  |  | Men and Boys, | Women and Girls. | Total. | Proportion of Males to Females. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hindus | $\cdots$ | ... | 8,270 | 7,544 | 15,814 | 82 to 75 |
| Musalmáns | ** | - | 306 | 234 | 540 | 30 to 23 |
|  |  |  | 8,576 | 7,778 | 16,354 | 85 to 77 |

No. 2.

|  |  |  | Number. | Male Inhabitants to each. | To the Square Mile. | Cultivated Acres to each. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Houses | ... | $\ldots$ | 3,319 | 3 | 25 | 7 |
| Carts | ... | ... | 608 | 14 | 5. | 38 |
| Ploughs ... | ... | ... | 1,817 | 5 | 14 | 13 |
| Bullocks | ... | ... | 4,500 | 2 | 34 | 5 |
| Buffaloes and cows | ... | ... | 8,586 | 1 | 66 | 3 |

21. It will be useful to compare the resources per square mile with the other settled parts of the Maháls :-

|  |  | Halol. | Kilol. | Godhre. | Dohad. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | , |  |  |
| Inhabitants | ... | 125 | 251 | 107 | 205 |
| Houses ... | ... | 25 | 62 | 34 | 50 |
| Cows and buffaloes | ... | 66 | 106 | 71 | 81 |
| Oxen... - | ... | 34 | 80 | 43 | 75 |
| Ploughs . ... | ... | 14 | 36 | 17 | 22 |

22. Owing to the gravelly nature of the sub-soil and the general deter-

Water resources. mination of rock to the surface the tanks of this subdivision are not conspicuous for their number, size, or utility. There are 72 tanks, two of great size, the Vadu and Jakharia, and 225 - 1465-4
wells in these villages, but the tanks and 42 wells are only used for domestic purposes. Of the wells 100 are out of repair and only 83 used in irrigation. Water is everywhere near the surface, and with a richer and less rude peasantry much of the sub-division might be watered.
23. The mass of the people are poor, a few Kanbis and Kachiás located in Hálol town and in Arid, a village bordering on the

General condition of the cultivators. Kailol Táluka, are fairly off, owing to their superior skill and industry ; but the Kolis who hold the greater number of khátás are if anything below 12 annas in the rupee as cultivators, the Talávias and Dhánkas hold a position below 8 annas, and the Náiks and Bhils would be rated very high at 4 annas, being the poorest of the poor tillers of the soil, deficient in skill, and lacking both energy and capital : it may be said of them that they only till the land to avoid starvation. This is consequently by far the worst sub-division in the Mahals from a settlement point of view. The soil is in most parts very fertile, the rainfall very favourable, water springs close to the surface, and the climate, except in a very small tract, good; but the cultivators themselves are the great drawback to the prosperity of the district, and whilst they remain in the villages, either as Patels or neighbours, there is no chance of a better class of rayats coming in from Gujarat to cast their lot amongst them. These men will remain poor to the end of the chapter, whatever inducements for improvement or advantages may be offered them by the survey settlement. They will receive the usual quantity of seed for sowing from the Vania, and will of necessity return him the major portion of the field produce. Hence it is apparent that under a prevailing system of this nature, a very low assessment will profit no one but the village Vánia.
24. This is no doubt a sad picture, and what good might be done by extension of schools (only three existing at present in the sub-division chiefly attended by the sons of the non-agriculturists, and in which very few Koli, Bhil, or Náikda boys are ever seen) is very doubtful. This is only one expedient, and though it be contrary to the principle of Government to countenance missionary efforts, I would venture to suggest that it would be a great thing for the Panch Maháls and especially Hálol, were little Christian settlements encouraged by free grants of land. The influence thus brought to bear on these aborigines, in many respects an interesting people, would no doubt soon yield fruit politically, fiscally and morally, to the advantage of all. I may mention that the Sháhávidi Native Christians have taken up all the waste in the neighbourhood of their settlement in Ahmedabad, and would be glad to establish new colonies. They are admitted to have raised the value of land, by redeeming even the worst to be found, a Sarkat jungle, supposed to be impossible to cultivate. Their use of American ploughs, and the energy they have thrown into their occupation, have been most salutary even in the midst of the good cultivators of that old district. It would be foreign to the main subject of this report to testify to the utility of these pioneers of true civilization; but no doubt in the devotedness of the Irish Presbyterian Agency may be found the cheapest organization, unpaid by Government, to effect a vast amount of good in jungly districts which can scarcely be improved by the ordinary revenue official or school master.
25. The Goradu or light soils, the detritus of the metamorphic rocks and Soils. beds differ in degree of cohesiveness and fertility according to the elements which preponderate. There is a coarse sandy soil and a hungry clayey soil to be met with here, one adapted only for cereal cultivation and the other for rice and "kodra;" but a more calcareous soil of great fertility is to be found in the villages on the western boundary, indicated by fine trees, hedgerows, and luxuriant crops. A large proportion of the land lying under a scrub jungle, having a darks. colour and externally a rich appearance, is in reality very poor, requiring several years of fallow atter a single crop. A very valuable quality of black soil more of the description which prevails in the Broach cotton district is to be found in the southern parts of Halol, hardly yet known to any one but the wretched Naiikda inhabitants of that region.
26. The Goradu fields are in the best villages ploughed after the first System of husbandry. fall of rain, and cereals chiefly "bajri" and "banti" are drilled in after the second or third cross ploughing ; a fortnight following the karab or grubbing plough is passed between the drills and a $\log$ of wood-Samar, serving the purpose of the English roller, is dragged over the young crop, crushing the tender sprouts, a process which multiplies and strengthens the cereal blade. Rice is not transplanted here, hence none of the superior qualities are raised, it is generally sown in depressed levels, but is either drilled in or -scattered broadcast. The black and besar soils are chiefly used for kodra and rice. The mixed sowings of pulse with cereals is also practised here as in all parts of Gujarit. Garden cultivation is very much restricted to the town of Hálol ; a heavy sugarcane tax hitherto imposed has been the sole cause of the extreme neglect of the valuable irrigational resources this táluka possesses, to which I shall refer when proposing new garden rates. The land in possession of the aboriginal races is merely scratched; after a season of this simple process, it is allowed to lie fallow. This sporadic tillage in the forest openings, or by the hill side, is but the natural result of unsettled babits, and poverty of resources. 1 have elsewhere in the agricultural chapter of the Gazetteer, Provincial Volume, described all the process of aboriginal tillage, so need not produce it here.
27. The following statement gives concisely the crops grown on Govern-

Produce. ment land, the estimated yield, and gross value of • produce for the year 1878-79. The estimated yield by the táluka officials, I may observe, is much below the normal average. The year was a very bad one, but affected villages in different degrees; in some the excessive rain destroyed the entire crop, and in others the produce was from 8 to 16 annas. The figures in this statement may therefore be accepted as representing only half the yield of a fair season's crop:-


28．The markets for the surplus produce of the district are Halol town Markets． itself and Kalol 8 miles further north．Outside the limits of British possession is Baroda， 25 miles distant from the central part of Hálol，and the town of Dabhoi 14 miles from the southern limits of the Hallol villages．At both these foreign markets the Railway exists，and the rayats can obtain 25 per cent．more favourable terms than the local Vánias will give；but the journey has the drawback of entailing transit and octroi dues levied very much at the caprice of farmers of that revenue． The poverty of the people generally will not admit of independent action so that the surplus produce does in reality gravitate to Hailol from whence the local merchants dispose of it．The town contains 3,147 inhabitants，and the Vania traders carry on an extensive business in grain and forest produce with Jámbu－ ghoda 22 miles east，and in hardware，tobacco and cloth with Godhra and Baroda．

29．There are no made roads in this talluka，but a line of country has
Roads．
been cleared from Kálol through Hallol to Jámbu－ ghoda，which may hereafter be bridged and metalled． The roads to Baroda and Dabhoi are simply the ordinary wheel tracks which more or less connect village with village．During the monsoon the black soil tracks are perfectly impassable，and although Hailol and Kailul are only 8 miles apart，cart traffic is stopped．

30．The prices given in the subjoined statement for 20 years have varied Prices． up and down considerably，the two last years almost indicating famine rates for the staple food－grains bajjri， kodra and bavto consumed by the majority of the people：－

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|  | Average ． | 47 | $38{ }^{3}$ | 814 | ${ }^{13}$ | 462 | ${ }^{3}$ | $40 \%$ | ${ }^{1} 1$ | 849 | 443 | 002 | ${ }^{29}$ | 041 | ${ }^{201}$ | 304 | ${ }^{361}$ | 12 |

Former revenue manage－
31．The several systems of collecting the land revenue in Scindiah＇s time were－
（a．）Talukdári－All the influential Koli and Rajput Chiefs were allowed to collect the revenue of certain groups of villages and paid Scindiah＇s Government a share which varied from time to time as the Talukdars themselves realized more revenue．Six such tálukas containing 77 villages were found at the time the district was ceded to the British． The tenure is considered hereditary．
（b．）Ijärdári．－Generally single villages leased to individuals for five years on terms suitable to the State．The tenure is not considered heredi－ tary．
（c．）Halbandi．－Villages which no Ijárdár would take up were managed from the Kachcri，the Wahivatdar of the district corresponding with the British Mámlatdár levied a tax from 1 to 20 rupees on the plough， considering in each case，the cultivator＇s ability to pay the assessment．

A plough of land was considered to be 20 bighas or $11 \frac{1}{2}$ acres. The maximum acreage rate was consequently about $1 \frac{3}{4}$ rupees per acre.
32. Succeeding Scindiah's Government in 1853, the systems found, were British management. continued. The tálukdári villages have not been interfered with, except in the matter of regulating the annual demand. The Ijára leases were renewed according to circumstances, and now not a single village is held under that tenure. The last village Kotamaida, has been prepared for a rayatvari settlement, the Ijardár facilitating the measure by his death.
33. In the rayatvári villages, the Halbandi or plough-tax system was superseded in 1871 by the Bigoti. The change was effected by the process of dividing the area occupied by the amount realized in each village; this gave a village rate. So that when new land was taken up, the cultivator was called upon to pay the village rate per bigha. These rates tabulated will be found in Appendix B. They serve no purpose, but to show how unequal the villages have hitherto been assessed, and how essential it is that some equitable mode of levying the land revenue should be introduced.
34. In respect to outsiders or Uparvádia cultivators, the rate has been 6 annas per bigha for kodra cultivation, and one rupee per bigha for every other kind—a bigha is $\frac{4}{7}$ ths of an acre.
35. The Kasba town of Hílol seems to have paid a much higher rate than the other villages, but the tax of $17 \frac{1}{2}$ rupees per bigha equivalent to Rs. 30 10 annas an acre for sugarcane cultivation, whilst all the other villages paid 21 for the same privilege, will not be a day too soon abolished, as many magnificent wells are unused owing to the oppressive incidence of the tax.
36. The revenue derived from the Government villages under report from

Revenue derived in past years. the first year of our rule, I am unable to obtain because of the confusion existing in the village accounts, and no record of area forthcoming.
37. The last ten years' revenue may, however, for the present suffice to show to what extent the realizations have varied :-

38. The increase in the cultivated area of Government land appears to have been 2,243 acres or 23 per cent., the corresponding increase in revenue Rs. 3,215 or 23 per oent.
39. The measurement and classification of this sub-division was commenced so far back as 1868-69 and the operations were not Survey. brought to a close until the few weeks past. Both operations have been carefully tested, the classitication having been supervised by Mr. Bulkley's Classing Establishment containing old men of great experience. How the classification has affected each description of soil in each separate group will be found tabulated further on at para. 59.

[^0]40. I have now to show how the villages have been grouped and what rates are suitable for them.
41. I have divided all the villages of this táluka into five groups, as will (be seen from the coloured map prefixed; in doing so I have been chiefly guided by market facilities and climatic differences, and in a less degree by fixity of holdings and the preponderance of cultivators of the unsettled tribes, freedom from jungle, and such other peculiarites which a Settlement Officer alone can appreciate by intimate acquaintance with the district.
42. Referring at present only to the 73 rayatriri villages* my first group contains 4 villages- the Kasba town of Halol and Asha-
First group. vála, Jámbude and Nurpur, adjoining Hálol, being in reality hamlets of it ; but always considered separate villages.
43. For this group, coloured pink, a dry-crop

Pitch of maximam rate. maximum rate of Rs. $2 \frac{1}{2}$ is proposed, half rupee less than what I fixed for the first group of the adjacent Killul Taluka in 1871.
44. As the rate for the first group regulates the rates for all the others in

Reasons for it. $\quad$ Rs. 2 1 has been fixed upon instead of Rs. 3, as applied graduated decrease, it will be necessary to show why to Kálol, and Rs. $1 \frac{3}{4}$ to the Godbra Táluka, settled with the sanction of Government.
45. In the first place I have to state that the superiority of Kúlol over Why not higher. Hálol as a táluka is so manifest that they cannot be treated on similar terms. Kálol is a flourishing taluka more of the type of the Kaira Táluka across the Mahi, is comparatively densely populated with superior cultivators, and has considerable resources, vide para. 21 ; whereas Hálol Taluka, just excepting the town itself, is an inferior district in every respect, and in the chief respect, that is class of cultivators, there can be no question as to its being vastly inferior. A rate which may not increase the land assessment of Halol itself very much, because of its having been screwed up previously on account of its Kanbi population, will, as will be proved by the results of my proposition, very much raise the other villages throughout the táluka.
46. In the second place, the reason why Halol should not have a higher maximum than Rs. $2 \frac{1}{2}$ will be obvious when you are reminded that the maximum fixed for the town of Godhra only 15 miles from the Pali Railway Station connected by a good metalled road lying entirely within British limits, and free of transit dues, is only Rs. 13. I don't consider Hálol superior to Godhra in any one respect, at the same time I see no reason to pitch the maximum lower than I propose. When Godhra was settled by my predecessor, following my settlement of Kálol, there was just a suspicion that I had raised Kálol too high, nine years have proved that I was not wrong. A reference back to para. 21 of this report will show at a glance the respective resources in the year of settlement of all the Panch Maháls tálukas hitherto settled. Having established this position, I may pass on the other groups.
47. The second group coloured blue for which a two-rupee rate is fixed,

Sccond Group.

| Sccond Group. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Medápur. | 10. | Vasvel. |
| 2. Vansada. | 11. | Dankheda. |
| 3. Varváda. | 12. | Chándpur. |
| 4. Arád. | 13. | Ambáli. |
| 5. Maldhari. | 14. | Tarkbanda. |
| 6. Partáppara. | 15. | Rampura. |
| 7. Rádhanpura. | 16. | Rámesara. |
| 8. 'Tajpara. | 17. | Gambhirpara. |
| 9. Asha. | 18. | Válva. | contains 18 villages. You will notice that they are in three separate batches, one adjacent to the chief market town ; one north, adjacent to the villages of the Kílol I'áluka on the Karad river, which they resemble, and hence the same rate is applicable, and the other batch lying south-west in the valley of the Devnadi-a very favourable position in respect to elimate, population and proximity to the market town of Baroda, 18 miles distant. The tworrupees rate does not increase the assessment very much, and I do not

[^1]see any reason why a lower rate should be applied. These villages were with those in the first group very highly assessed in comparison with the other villages which now fall under my third, fourth and fifth groups.
48. The third group coloured yellow for which a rate of Rs. $1 \frac{3}{4}$ is fixed,

## Third Group.

| 1. | Timbi. | 8 : | Eotamaida. | 15. | H |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\stackrel{1}{2}$ | Ambhetra. | 9. | Ambátaláv. | 16. | Koprej |
| 3. | Itrúdi. | 10. | Ujeti. | 17. | Dundelár. |
| 4. | Chábápura. | 11. | Paneláv. | 18. | Vesania. |
| 5. | Masvada. | 12. | Vánseti. | 19. | Dharola. |
| 6. | Márra. | 23. | Ghansar. | 20. | Vedpar |
| 7. | Dunia. | 14. | Vár. |  |  | contains 20 villages, of medium quality, excluding all the jungle villages and those in which the Bhil and Náikda elements prevail: You will find that the assessment of this group is raised, but not ununjustly. The old average rate was unequal and unnecessarily low. The malarious influence of the hills and low jungle does not affect these villages. At some future settlement there will be no reason why they should not all be included in the second class, at present, I think their inclusion in the third class is judicious, taking into consideration, how being even in that class, has had the effect of increasing their assessment.

49. The fourth group coloured green for which a rate of Rs. $1 \frac{1}{4}$ is proposed,

Fourth Group.

| Fourth Group. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Amrápur. | 9. Ránvádia. | 17. | Khomdar. |
| 丷. Kánkra Dungri. | 10. Cháj Diváli. | 18. | Jáliakua- |
| 3. Ránipura. | 11. Dhekra. | 19. | Chámpáner. |
| 4. Mándri. | 12. Dbankua. | 20. | Jákharia. |
| 5. Jepura. | 13. Pálinpur. | 21. | Rasulpar. |
| 6. Gokalpura. | 14. Kerap. | 22. | Sultánpur. |
| 7. Kátadia. | 15. Vávdi. | 23. | Kankelpur. |
| 8. Vadátaláv. | 16. Umarván-ninu. |  |  | contains 23 villages. The climate of tbis tract is more or less malarious. The cultivators are Kolis, Bhils and Náikdás of no settled habits in bad seasons, poor in resources, and not industrious. A large area of soil is black of moderate quality, and the light soils are fairly good. Is covered with forest and scrub jungle. The old village rates were very unequal, and seem to have been levied without due appreciation of the actual amount of land occupied. This rate will consequently increase the assessment of the group, but not unduly.

50. The fifth group coloured with a neutral tint, contains 8 villages for which a rate of 12 annas is fixed. The popu-

## Fijlh Group.

| 1. | Ümarrán-mota. | 5. | Pandol. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| . | Ved. | 6. | Bámankua. |
| 3. | Dhária. | 7. | Kanteli. |
| 4. | Talávdi. | 8. | Bápotia. | lation is almost exclusively Bhils and Náikdás of unsettled habits in bad seasons, either flitting altogether, or living by plundering their neighbours' crops and cattle, and unwilling to work. There is a large quantity of heavyish jungle in most of these villages, and the soil is stony. Climate same as in the fourth group.

:1. The rice soil rates will be the same as the dry-crop rates of each group, and

## Rice rates.

 the rice water-rate will be a sum also equal to the soil rate. I don't think it would be fair to impose higher rates, because the rice is of an inferior quality, only drilled into the soil, no transplanted rice is to be found here. It is everywhere simply of the cilcásia type, that is unirrigated. The entire rice area is 1,295 acres. No special rate was charged under the old system differing from the dry-crop rate.52. The Dhekuriat rate will be the usual soil rate of the group plus an equal sum for water. Dhekuriat irrigation is only
Dhekuriat rate. found in two villages, Arád and Muldhari, of the second group, and only to the extent of $13 \frac{90}{40}$ acres.
53. In para. 22 I have stated the very great resource in this taluka for irrigation, in para. 35, to a garden tax equivalent to Rs. 30 in the Kasba town and Rs. 21 elsewhere, on the acre. The result of this has been to check what should have been most encouraged in the general interests of the community and country. Every incentive to extend the area of irrigation is the best safeguard against famine, the burden of which ultimately falls on the State, hence of all pulicies the most pennywise and short-sighted is that which wrings out of the rayat, who ventures on superior cultivation-which demands a certain risk of his capital-the major portion of his profits.
54. What has been the result of this heary garden rate in Halol? Habl was in past years celebrated for its fruit, and the gardens of Chimpaner and its.
suburbs are almost historical. Its magnificent wells were stone built, square and round sunk deep into the solid rock, tapping inexhaustible springs, serving the purpose of irrigation as well as tyelihínás or summer retreats. These beautiful wells are still in perfect order especially in the lands of Hilol, but not used, a few only of the rayats in whose fields they are situated care to utilize them now. The field I am now pitched in has one of excellent inexhaustible sweet water, which would irrigate at least 8 acres of land, but it is a fact that the well has not been used in the life-time of the present occupant.
55. Out of 225 of these wells 42 are used solely for drinking proposes, 83 are occasionally used for irrigation, 39 in Government and 44 in alienated holdings, 100 are disused and falling into ruin. The garden piavo realized by Government at the rate mentioned only yielded Rs. 231, this was of course only from the wells which had been used.
56. The moderate rate which I propose should be imposed on the wells capable of irrigation, will at ouce yield Rs. $546 \frac{1}{2}$ plus the soil rate, without discouraging garden cultivation, a very decided advantage to both interests concerned.

Maximum rates tabulated.
57. The maximum rates are tabulated below for easy reference :-


## Average rate.

58. The average rate statement will be given in the final report when the true figures are inserted after introduction of the settlement.
:n. The following statement shows the extreme range of the classification, and

Scope of the classification and the rates. the highest and lowest rates of assessment in villages of each group. This will I trust leave no room for that misconception which unhappily heiped to mar the general effect of my Dohad report, because of suggesting a want which had never before, in any settlement report yet issued, been supplied :-


61. I must now tell you that these results are entirely on land which could afford me a basis for comparison. You will notice in the general statement appended in which the figures of every village are given separately and in fullest detail, that I have kept distinctly apart the area and assessment of land held by the Talávia colonists, who under arrangement sanctioned by Government,*

* Vide Resolution of Goverament, No. 3338, dated $\because 5$ th May 1877. only pay 4 annas the acre, for this the third year of $\begin{array}{ll}1877 . & \text { acres upon which the survey assessment will be } \\ \text { Rs. } 1,260-12.0 \text { so that the Talávias only paying during }\end{array}$ current year Rs. $267 \frac{1}{2}$, the sum of Rs. 993 will be entered to suspended account in the taluka records.

62. The actual amount of revenue upon the

Actual amount with Talávia holdings. assessed Government land is therefore Rs. 21,130 ${ }_{2}^{2}$ plus Rs. $1,200 \frac{3}{2}$ the assessment of cultivated land in the possession of the Talaria colonists.

> Effect on alienated land will be reported hereafter.
63. The increase upon alienated holdings will be disposed of.
64. I may here briefly state that the assessment likely to accrue from the occupation at some future period of 36,085 acres of

Assessment on unassessed waste not computed. the unassessed arable waste is not attempted. The area in each village is given in the general statement.
65. The area of the assessed unoccupied waste 8,654 acres, will yicld by the survey rates Rs. 8,954 . The 14,959 acres of cultivated land Rs. 21,130; and the specially occupied land by Talávias $1,070 \frac{29}{4} \frac{9}{0}$ acres, Rs. 1,260 , making the Kamal Rs. $31,34 \overline{5}$ as shown in the diagram attached.
66. Regarding forest trees reserved in occupied land and fruit. trees the Godhra ruling should be maintained :-
(a). Teak and blackwood, being considered the property of Government, other kinds the property of the survey occupant.
(b). Fruit trees in existing occupancies, the property of the occupant, the fruit being the produce of the soil for which he duly pays the regulated assessment.
(c). Fruit trees on Government waste land henceforth taken up should be sold with the distinct stipulation that the usufruct is only purchased.
(d). Trees on waste land, the land being the property of Government, and the fruit hitherto prescriptively enjoyed by an outsider, should in the first instance be offered him with fair rental of the land; but if the tree be in position not suitable for occupation, and he refuses accepting occupation when it is available, in both such instances a moderate assessment might be imposed with advantage on the tree itself to preserve the right of Government to everything which grows spontaneously or otherwise on land belonging to the State.
67. The general statement appended A. gives in great detail all the information you may possibly require, not actually entered in the body of this report.
68. In conclusion, I have to state that there are several other points in regard to the settlement which will be more convenient to mention in the final report, to be sent in after the settlement has been introduced. I shall be much obliged were you kindly to transmit this report as early as possible.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

## N. B. BEYTS,

Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarat.

Diagram of the Area and Assessment of Government land in 73 Tillages of the Halol tulitha during the last 10 years, and the Survey proposition


- Exxplanation.

Green denotes Governnont occurvied land.
Grcen with bars derots, assessed Maste Land.
Nellom torn line Govarnment demund, bottom of upperline net realizcuions.
Pirk dendes he Survay assesment, and punt with bars, the assaisment inchusive of assessed Wraste. Thicet doted bars accoss the page, denoto avcrages.
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STATEMENTA.


## A.

ACCORDING TO SURVEY SYSTEM.

| Rice. |  |  |  |  |  |  | Ba'ga'yat or Gabdea land. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Soil. |  |  | Water. |  | Total Assess. ment. | Averace Rate per Acre. | Kıeta | $r$ or Lands mater | by permane | Wells. |
| Maximum Rate. | Ares in Acres. | Assessment. | Maximum Rate. | Assessment. |  |  | Saximum Rate. | Ares in Acres. | Assessment. | Average Rate per acre. |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |

Rate Rs, 2-8-0.

| Rs. a. p. <br> 280 | A. g. <br> 11232 <br> ..... | Rs. a. <br> 2140 | Rs. a. p. <br> 280 | Rs. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ 106 1-... | Rs. a. 320 s | $\begin{array}{rrr}\text { Rs. a. p. } \\ 213 & 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs. a. p. } \\ 5 & 0 & \\ \text { 5 }\end{array}$ | A. $\quad \mathrm{g}$. 18310 $\ldots \ldots$. | Rs. a. $7258$ | Rs. a p. <br> 3154 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 280 | 11232 | 2140 | 2 S 0 | 1068 | 3208 | 2135 | 500 | 18310 | 7258 | 3154 |
| 280 | 3011 |  | 280 | 318 |  | 2150 | 500 | 1929 | 758 | 3139 |
|  | ...... | $\ldots$ |  | ....... |  | ....... | ....... |  | ....... | ....... |
| ....... ${ }^{\text {s. }}$ | $\ldots$ | ....... | ....... | ....... | ........ | ....... | ....... | ....... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| 280 | 143 <br> $\cdots$ <br> $\ldots .$. | 2718 $\cdots$ | 280 | 138.0 $\cdots$ | 4098 $. \ldots .$. | 21310 $. \ldots .$. | 500 | 20232 $\ldots \ldots$. | 8010 | 3153 |
| 280 | 1433 | 2718 | 280 | 1380 | 4098 | 21310 | 500 | 20232 | 8010 | 3153 |

Rate Rs. 2-0-0.


Rate Rs. 1-12-0.

| …... | $\cdots$ | ....... | ...... | ....... | ....... | ....... | $\ldots$ | ....... | ....... | $\ldots$ |
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| 1120 | 9535 | 90.8 | 1120 | 410 | 1408 | $\underline{2}$ 2 1 | $3 \cdots \cdots$ | 17 | 49.0 |  |
| 1120 | $3035{ }^{\prime}$ | 480 | 1120 | 188 | 66 S | 226 | 3 S 0 | 031 | 20 | 29 |
| 1120 | 016 |  | 1120 | 04 | 012 | 1140 |  | ...... |  |  |

STATEMENT
Name of Villages.

CLASS I.-Maximux


CLASS II.-Maximun


CLASS III.—Maximum

A.-continued.


Rate Rs. 2-8-0-continued.

| $\begin{array}{ll} \text { A. } & \text { g. } \\ 892 & 5 \\ 154 & 20 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr}\text { Rs. } & \text { a. } \\ \text { 2,134 } \\ 286 \\ 266 & 0\end{array}$ | Rs. a. p. <br> 2 6  <br> 2 6 3 <br> 1 11 6 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { A. } \\ \text { g. } \\ 494 \\ 1,739 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | Rs. 678 |  | A. g . <br> 1,540 35 1,739 35 | $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Rs. } & \text { a. } \\ 3,078 & 8\end{array}$ | $4 \frac{1}{2}$ | $\ldots$ | Unassessed. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1,046 25 | 2,400 8 | 248 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12623 | 2998 | 2510 | 1827 |  | 0 | 14510 | 3318 | - 162 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{r} 117 \\ 16022 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} 22 & 8 \\ 270 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 10 & 11\end{array}$ | 28 89 89 8 |  | 8 | $\begin{array}{r} 20025 \\ 898 \end{array}$ | 3400 | 1089 | $\cdots$ | Do. |  |
| ${ }_{126}^{171} 11$ | $\begin{array}{ll} 292 \\ 209 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 11 & 2 \\ 1 & 10 & 6\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 338 \\ 66137 \end{array}$ |  | 0 | $\begin{array}{ll} 130 & 9 \\ 661 & 37 \end{array}$ | 2160 | ... | 181 | Do. |  |
| $\begin{array}{r}1,156 \\ 315 \\ \hline 1\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} 2,665 & 8 \\ 536 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 4 & 11 \\ 1 & 11 & 2\end{array}$ | 545 2,491 | 764 | 8 | 2,01639 2,491 | 3,966 0 | 33 | $\cdots$ | Do. |  |
| 1,471 8 | 3,201 8 | 2210 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Pate Rs. 2-0.0-continued.

| 7920 | 1,146 8 | 172 | 20623 | 1950 | 99823 | 1,341 8 | 40t | ... |  |
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| 75311 | 1,129 0 | 1711 | 49 247 24 | 590 | 80213 247 24 | 1,188 0 | $\cdots$ | 12 | Unassessed. |
| 62338 | 9548 | 186 | 17023 | 2170 | 79421 | 1,171 8 | 153 | ... |  |
| 46722 | 7240 | 189 | 4929 $565 \quad 1$ | 570 | 517 <br> 5651 <br> 1 | 7810 | ... | 157 | Do. |
| 1991 | 3050 | 186 | 6338 | 920 | 26239 | 3970 | $\cdots$ | 4 |  |
| 37222 | 6500 | 11111 | 2029 -36721 | 290 | 39311 <br> 367 <br> 1 | 6790 | 51 | $\ldots$ | Do. |
| 11236 | 1914 | 1111 | 1514 7838 | 200 | $\begin{array}{r}36810 \\ 128 \\ 78 \\ \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 2114 | 36 | $\cdots$ | Do. |
| 2018 | 278 | 156 |  | ... | 7838 20 18 | 278 | $\ldots$ | 61 | Do. |
| 1034 | 1450 | 166 | 73436 3511 | 440 | 73436 13815 | 1890 | $60 \pm$ | ... | Do. |
|  | 1450 |  | 39520 |  | 39520 |  |  |  |  |
| 9520 | 1,580 0 | 1107 | 7322 | 978 | 1,025 31 | 1,677 S | 201 | ... | Do. |
| 35516 | 5170 | 173 | $\begin{array}{r}74621 \\ 84 \\ \hline 24\end{array}$ | 980 | 74621 | 6150 | ... | . $4 \ddagger$ |  |
| 26117 | 3938 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 8 & 1\end{array}$ | 5221 | 740 | 31338 | 4678 | 58 | $\ldots$ | Do. |
|  | 5490 | 157 | $\begin{array}{r}489 \\ 384 \\ \hline 4\end{array}$ | 3920 | 48920 7916 |  |  | 25 |  |
| 4072 | 679 | 157 |  | 3020 |  | 9410 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 3368 | 4128 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 3 & 9\end{array}$ | ${ }^{27712}$ | 3068 | 61320 | 7190 | $\ldots$ | 8 | Do. |
| 26129 | 380 | 173 | 1,820 $\ldots$ |  | 1,820 26 | 350 | 106 | ... |  |
| 3177 | 5078 | 1128 | 022 | 10 | 31729 | 5688 | ... | 13 | Do. |
|  |  | 179 | 69816 0 05 | 012 | 69816 10 | 1412 |  | 22 | Do. |
| 917 | 140 | 179 | 15634 |  | 15634 |  | $\ldots$ |  |  |
| 15718 | 2620 | 1107 | $\begin{array}{rr} 19 & 24 \\ 19 & 51 \end{array}$ | 190 | $\begin{array}{lr} 100 \\ 170 \\ 2715 \end{array}$ | 2810 | 113 | ... | Do. |
| 6,502 35 | 0,948 4 | 186 | $\begin{aligned} & 1,504 \quad 3 \\ & 6,572 \end{aligned}$ | 1,701 12 | $\begin{gathered} 8,00638 \\ 6,572 \\ 21 \end{gathered}$ | 11,650 0 |  |  | Do. |

## Rate Rs. 1-12-0—continued.

| 15028 | 1808 | 132 | 2536 13134 | 26 | 0 | $\begin{aligned} & 17694 \\ & 13134 \end{aligned}$ | 2068 | ... | $\cdots$ | Uuassessed. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 15028 \\ & 75023 \end{aligned}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{\|cc\|} 180 & 8 \\ 1,005 & 8 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ | 8939 | 9S2 | 0 | 1,650 12 | 1,987 8 | 69 | $\cdots$ |  |
| $\begin{array}{r} 21929 \\ 202 \quad 6 \end{array}$ | $295 \quad 8$ 20812 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ | 163 <br> 75311 <br> 161 <br> 18 | 176 184 | 0 | 372 783 753 363 | $\begin{aligned} & 4718 \\ & 45212 \end{aligned}$ | 901 S0 | $\ldots$ | Do. |



CLASS IV.-Maximum


## A.-continued.

ACCORDING TO SURVEY SYSTEM.


Rate Rs. 1-19-0—continued.


Rate Rs. 1-4-0.


[^2]STATEMENT


CLASS III.—Draximum


CLASS IV.-Maximum

A.-continued.

| SURVEX STSTEM. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Remarif. |  |
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| Arez shomin as cultivated in the Survey Registers (being twal of Columns 9, 13 and 30 ). | Survey Assessment on Government cultirated land (being total of Columns 10, 17 and 31). | Average Rate per Acre. | Numbirs emtirity wabte. |  | Total Area shown as cultivated and waste in the Surney Registers (being total of Column33 and 36 ). 33 and 36). |  | Pseczer | Incriass |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Total Assess. |  | Ent. |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | and 3i). | 3 More. | Less. |  |  |
| 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 |  |

Rate Rs. 1-12-0—continued.

| A. g. | Rs. a. | Rs. a. p. | A. g. | Rs. a. | A. g. | Rs. a. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 46015 | 6258 | 159 | 1,139 4 | 1,241 0 | 1,599 19 | 1,866 8 | $54 \frac{1}{2}$ | ... |  |
| 48819 | 5510 | 120 | 1652 | 1450 | 65321 | 6960 | 991 | ... |  |
| 9134 | 1068 | 127 | $\mathbf{9 4} 23$ 333 | 260 | 11617 333 | 1328 | $144 \frac{1}{3}$ | $\ldots$ | Unassessed. |
| 36824 | 4570 | 1310 | 874 | 1050 | 455 | 5620 | $115 \frac{1}{5}$ | ... |  |
| 15739 | 2108 | 154 | 24320 | 2800 | 40119 | 4908 | $8{ }^{3}$ | ... |  |
| 42439 | 6190 | 174 | 12530 | 1600 | 54323 | 7790 | $\cdots$ | 6 | Do. |
| 24238 | 3030 | 1311 | $\begin{array}{r}1,07511 \\ \hline 88 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | 980 | 1,075 11 | 4010 | $12 \pm$ | $\ldots$ | Do. |
|  |  |  | 4031 |  | 4031 |  |  |  |  |
| 2197 | 3040 | 162 | $\begin{array}{r} 6103 \\ 21837 \end{array}$ | 790 | 28030 21837 | 3830 | 30 쿤 | $\ldots$ | Do. |
| 1535 | 1998 | 1410 | 2182 | 260 | 17427 | 2258 | 164 | ... | Do. |
| 1972 | 2588 | 150 | 11735 | 700 | 117 254 27 | 3288 | 623 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 7489 |  | 7489 |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 34321 | 5168 | 127 | $4{ }^{4} 0$ | 55.0 | 3851 | 5718 | 11 | ... | Do. |
| 24223 | 3670 | 1 S 2 | $\begin{array}{r}49912 \\ 93 \\ \hline 3\end{array}$ | 350 | 49912 <br> 266 | 4020 | 481 | $\ldots$ | Do. |
|  |  |  | 73813 |  | 73813 |  |  |  |  |
| 1724 | 2138 | 1310 | 3130 | 3640 | 4854 | 5778 | 646 | ... |  |
| 2766 | 424 | 187 | 6723 | 7220 | 9489 | 1,196 0 | $56 \frac{1}{2}$ | ... |  |
| 3436 |  | 1410 | 6036 | 770 | 9532 | 122 S | 1633 | $\therefore$ | Do. |
| 14934 | 2160 | 174 | 1,291 115 | 1280 | 1,291 11 | 344 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 1.71132 |  | 1.71132 | 344 |  | ... | Do. |
| $5,195 \quad 3$ | $6,98612$ | 156 | $\begin{array}{ll}4.467 \\ 8,022 & \\ 4\end{array}$ | 5,0290 $\ldots \ldots .$. | $\begin{gathered} 9.81235 \\ 8.022 \quad 31 \end{gathered}$ | 12,1964 | 56 | $\cdots$ | Do. |
| 5,345 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 7,167 4 | 155 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Rate Rs. 1.4-0-continued.

| 19233 | 2068 | 112 | 29320 | 2320 | 45613 | 438 S | 891. | $\ldots$ | Unassessed. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6332 | GS 0 | 111 | 27413 21 23 | 190 | 274 ${ }^{\text {S }} 20$ | 870 |  | 188 | Do. |
| 532 |  | 01310 | 84233 2713 | 140 | 84233 | 190 |  |  | Do. . |
|  |  |  | 70039 |  | 70039 |  |  | s19 | D. |
| -275 27 | 2338 | $0 \stackrel{13}{ } 7$ | 33820 | 150 | 29635 33820 | 251 | $\cdots$ | ... | Do. |
| 27527 | 2338 | 0137 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 878 | 780 | $0 \stackrel{14.7}{4}$ | 318 619 |  | 9096 6190 | S1 0 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | Do. |
| 878 | 780 | 0144 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 567 | $\because 538$ | 0153 | 36519 | ...... | $56 \quad 7$ 36519 | 53 S | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | D. |
| 567 | 538 | 0153 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1701 | 1350 | 0128 | 620 | 112 | 17621 | 11712 | $\ddagger$ | $\ldots$ | Do. |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r}47939 \\ \hline 1935\end{array}$ | 170 | 47939 191 | 18612 |  | 63 | Do. |
| 16715 | 1580 | 0451 | 1,696 35 |  | 1,696 35 |  |  |  |  |
| 16911 | 15912 | 0151 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13728 1822 | 12612 21 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}0 & 14 \\ 1 & 2 & 9 \\ 1 & 2 & 4\end{array}$ | 951 38712 | 650 | 28110 38712 | 2130 | 56 | ... | Do. |
| 16610 | 1480 | 0152 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


A.-continued.

ACCORDING TO SURVEY SYBTEM.

| Rics. |  |  |  |  |  |  | - ba'gatat or garder Lasd. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Soil |  |  | - Water. |  | Total Assess-ment. | $\Delta$ verage Rate per acre. | Kuetar or Lands watered by permanent Wells. |  |  |  |
| Maximum Kate. | Area in Acres, | Assessment. | Maximum Rate. | Assessment. |  |  | Maximum Rate | Area in $\Delta$ cres. | Assessment. | Average Rate |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |

Rate Rs. 1-4-0-continued.

| Rs. a. p. | A. g. | Rs. a. | Rs. a. p. | R8. a. | Rs. a. | Rs. a. p. | Rs. .a. p. | A. g. | Rs. a. | Rs. a. p. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ...... | ... | ...... | ... | ... | ..... | ..... | $\ldots$ | ...... | ...... | $\ldots$ |
| ...... | $\therefore . .$. | ... | . | $\cdots$ | ..... | ..... | ..... | ...... | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ |
| ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 140 | . 110 | 100 | 140 | 50 | 150 | 1510 | ...... | ... .. | ...... | ...... |
| ..... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | .. ... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| ...... | ..... | ...... | ... | ...... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| ...... | ... .. | ...... | , ...... | $\ldots$ | ...... | ..... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| ...... | ... | ..... | ... - | ...... | ..... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| ..... | ...... | ...... | ..... | *.... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ... .. | ...... |
| ...... | ...... | ...... | $\ldots$ | ...... | ..... | ...... | 280 | 232 | 50 | 1127 |
| ... | ...... | ..... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| ...... | ... | ...... | .... | ..... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ..... | ...... | ...... |
| ...... | $\ldots$ | ...... | .... | ..... | .... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ... | ..... | ..... | ... |
| 140 | 10234 | 1048 | 140 | 404 | 14412 | 166 | ...... | ...... | ..... | ..... |
| 140 |  |  | 140 |  | 912 | 198 | 280 | 614 | 120 | 1142 |
| ...... | ...... | .. ... | ...... | .. | ...... | ...... | 280 | 232 | 50 | 1127 |
| 140 | 10837 | 1110 | 140 | 438 | 1548 | 168 | 280 |  | 170 | 1139 |

Rate Re. 0-12-0.



CLASS V.-Maximum

A.-continued.

| survey system. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Rruarss. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arca ahown as cultirated in the Survey Registers (being total ofColumns 9,13 and 30). | Survey Arscssment on Gor. sated land (being total of Colums 10, 17 and 31). | Average Rate per Acre. | Noyberb emtiarly mastr. |  | Total Ares shown as cultivated and graste in the Survey Regristers (being total ofColumns 33 and 36). | Total Assessment of cultirated and waste lands, i.e. theSurvey Kamil (being total of Columns 34 and 3 i). | Pricertage IscrgassOR Drcreask orABsRSAMENT. |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | . |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | More. | Less. |  |
| 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 |

Rate Rs. 1-4-0-continued.

| A. g. | Re. a. | Rs. a. p. |  | Rs. a. | A. g. | Rs. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1421 | 120 | 0133 | $\begin{array}{ll} 72 & \mathbf{2 4} \\ 647 & 6 \end{array}$ | 480 | 87 647 6 | 60 | ... | $58 \pm$ | Unassessed. |
| 13620 | 1238 | 0146 | 2819 | 200 | 16439 | 143 | 917 | $\ldots$ | Do. |
|  |  |  | 1,300 19 |  | 1,300 19 |  |  |  |  |
| 133 | 108 | 01210 | 2015 67214 | 200 | 3328 67214 | 30 | $\cdots$ | $58 \frac{1}{2}$ | Do. |
| 20411 | 1838 | 0144 | 4690 | 3720 | 67311 | 555 | 1494 | ... | Do. |
|  |  |  | 49512 |  | 49512 |  |  | ... |  |
| 1236 | 1020 | 0133 | 18832 | 1390 | 31133 | 241 | 254 | ... |  |
| 601 | 438 | 0117 | 23618 | 1430 | 29619 | 186 | $29 \frac{1}{2}$ | $\cdots$ | Do. |
| 6420 |  | 0142 | 2876 15017 | 1230 | 2876 <br> 214 | 180 |  |  | Do. |
|  |  | 0142 | 9188 | 1230 | 9188 | 180 | 224 | $\ldots$ | Do. |
| ...... | ...... | ...... | 1.23717 | $\ldots$ | 1,23717 | ...... | $\ldots$ | ... | Do. 7 |
| ..... | $\cdots$ | ..-. | 65920 | ...... | 65920 | .... | $\ldots$ | ... | Do. |
| 232 | 50 | 1127 |  |  | 659 20 32 | 50 | ... |  | Do. |
|  |  |  | 5,497 0 |  | 5,497 0 |  |  |  |  |
| ..... | ...... |  | 1.5884 | ...... | $1.7{ }^{1.78}$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Do. ${ }^{\text {Forest. }}$ |
| 6627 | $60 \quad 0$ | 0145 |  | 190 | 1,588 87 | 79 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Do. |
| 243 |  | 0147 | 48625 | ..... * | 48625 24 | 220 | ... |  | Do. |
|  |  | 0147 | 1,36516 |  | 1,365 16 |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 450 |  | 0112 | 2000 | ...... | 45 200 200 |  | $\ldots$ | ... | D. |
| 1.1884 | 1,075 0 | 0146 | 1,656 37 | 1,234 12 | 3,450 0 | 2,S54 0 | 457 | ... |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 60439 \\ & 13822 \end{aligned}$ | 544 <br> 118 <br> 8 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 14 & 5 \\ 0 & 13 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} \hline 10.025 & 35 \\ 22 & 0 \\ 11,034 & 2 \end{array}$ | 190 | $\begin{array}{r} 10,025 \\ 105 \\ 160 \\ 11,034 \\ 125 \end{array}$ | 137 | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | Do. |
| 1,931 25 | 1,737 12 | 0145 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,67837 \\ 21.05937 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 1,253 12 | $\begin{array}{r} 3,610 \quad 20 \\ 21.059 \quad 37 \end{array}$ | 2,991 8 | ... | ... | Do. |

Rate Re.0-12-0—continued.

N. B. BEYTS,

Superintendent, Revenue Surrey and Assessment, Gujarat.

## APPENDIX B.



APPENDIX B.-continued.

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STATISTICAL TABLE No. III.
Dctails of Cultivation.

| District. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Surreyed } \\ & \text { Villagea. } \end{aligned}$ | Crops. | Percentant of total ctitivation of Government Lande. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total. | Kharf. | Rabi. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Hálol | 73 | Rico in hast | 9 | 9 | ..... |
|  |  | Juvár ... ... | 13 | 13 | ...... |
|  |  | Banti ... ... ... | $5{ }^{3}$ | 59 | $\ldots$ |
|  |  | Bájri ... ... ... ... | $26 \frac{1}{2}$ | $26 \frac{1}{2}$ | ...... |
|  |  | Bavto ... ... ... ... | $\underline{2}$ | $2 \frac{1}{2}$ | ...... |
|  |  | Kodra ... ... ... ... | 243 | 243 | ...... |
|  |  | Maize ... ... ... ... | 1 | $\pm$ | ...... |
|  |  | Mag ... ... ... ... | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\pm$ | ...... |
|  |  | Math ... ... ... ... | 4 | 4 | ...... |
|  |  | Arad ... ... ... ... | 1 | $\pm$ | ...... |
|  |  | Taer ... ... ... ... | 12 | 12 | $\ldots$ |
|  |  | Gavár ... ... ... ... | $\pm$ | $\pm$ | ..... |
|  |  | Tal... ... ... ... ... | \% | 3 | ..... |
|  |  | Miscellaneous ... ... ... | $17 \frac{1}{2}$ | 171 | ..... |
|  |  | Juvar ... ... ... ... | $\frac{1}{2}$ | ..... | $\frac{1}{2}$ |
|  |  | Gram ... ... ... ... | $\frac{1}{2}$ | ...... | $\frac{1}{2}$ |
|  |  | Castor-oil seed ... | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ | ..... | $3 \underline{1}$ |
|  |  | Miscellaneous ... ... | 1 | ...... | $\frac{1}{4}$ |
|  |  | Total ... | 100 | 951 | 43 |

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## STATISTICAL TabLE No. IV.

Detail of Population.

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STATISTICAL TABLE No. V.

Occupations of the People.

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Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarát.

## STATISTICAL TABLE No. VI.



Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarát.

No. 771 op 1880.
From

W. WOODWARD, Esquire, Acting Collector, Panch Maháls;'

To

L. REID, Esquire,<br>Commissioner, N. D.

Godhra, 6th April 1880.
Sir,
I have the honour to submit for the orders of Government the accompanying preliminary report of Mr. Beyts, Superintendent of Revenue Survey, on the settlement of the 73 rayatvari villages of the Halol sub-division of the Panch Maháls.
2. The first portion of the report containing a description of boundaries, the aspect of the Mahal, its climate, history, villages, nature of population, resources, system of husbandry, \&c., \&c., hardly call tor any renuarks. Although, however, I think it well to state that the climate of Hillol receives more reprobation than, in my opinion, it deserves. The happy effect of clearing the jungle, restoring decayed wells and colonizing to a certain extent the area around Paivigad were fully illustrated in the case of the Talávia settlers, who, as Government already are aware, have enjoyed an almost entire immunity from ague, though a decimation of the colony had been feared. The soil is virgin and very fertile, seed sown broadcast brings forth fifty-fold and with the surrounding lands brought under the plough and the wells thoroughly cleaned out and repaired, the country round Chámpaner would lose its ill reputation of unhealthiness; but what the district most lacks to bring about this change is a well-to-do and thrifty class of cultivators.
3. The points that call for special remarks and considerations are the following:-

1. Forest lands, para. 17.
2. Classification and rates, paras. 40 to 50 .
3. Rice and garden rates, paras. 51 to 57 .
4. Rates on Talávia lands, para. 61.
5. Trees, para. 66.
6. Term of settlement (not touched upon by Mr. Beyts).
7. (I.) In para. 17 Mr . Beyts says that he has no certain data regarding the area actually taken up by the Forest Department. This is scarcely intelligible ; in Government Resolution No. 1121-25 F. of ist March 1879 it was observed that "It should, however, be distinctly understood that when the survey of the táluka is in progress, the whole question as to the precise boundaries of the Halol forests will be considered with special reference to the wants of the people." The requisite data should be available in the Forest Office and I am sending copies of this paragraph to the District Forest Officer and to Mr. Beyts with a view to ensure this question being distinctly cleared up before the settlement is finally introduced into the Mahál. Without being aware of the actual area reserved in each village it is impossible to see where pressure exists or where a larger margin should be allowed. To have settled and secured these points was the duty of the Survey Superintendent in conjunction with the Forest Officer at the time of the introduction of the survey, and I am unable to say why it has not been done.
8. (II.) As regards classification and assessment, I am of opinion that Mr . Beyts' rates are too high for the Maháls. Excluding Kílol from all comparison -and it is rightly excluded for the reasons given by Mr. Beyts himsclf in lis 45th para.-I do not see any reason why Hálol should have nuch higher rates than Godhra and Dohad. The circumstances and conditions of the Mahal
are as unfavourable as those of Godhra if not worse, though the soil is fertile and abundant yet the means of cultivating it is scant and such material as there is is mostly of an inferior description. Mr. Beyts himself admits "This is far the worst sub-division in the Mahals from a settlement point of view" and again " the reason why Hálol should not have a higher maximum than Rs. $2 \frac{1}{2}$ will be obvious when you are reminded that the maximum fixed for the town of Godhra only 15 miles from the Pali Railway Station connected by a good metalled road lying entirely within British limits, and, free of transit dues, is only Rs. $1 \frac{3}{4}$. I don't consider Halol superior to Godhra in any respect." The fact that 9 years' experience has "proved that" Mr. Beyts "was not wrong" in fixing a high rate for Kálol is no agreement for placing Hálol above Godhra and Dohad. Moreover a reference to para. 21 of this report will show that the resources of Dohad and Godhra are far superior to those of Hálol.

For the sake of easy reference I give below the rates sanctioned for Godhra and Dohad in contrast with those proposed for Halol :-


It will be observed how disproportionately the rates compare when the status of H alol is admittedly not better than that of Godhra. It must be borne in mind that we are not only about to introduce revised and increased rates but are going to replace the present sporadic style of cultivation by the hard-and-fast system enunciated by the survey rules. It is therefore most desirable and politic we should commence with light rates of assessment so as not to frighten these wild cultivators who are wholly ignorant of the new system, but rather encourage them to more settled habits and a more defined method of agriculture.

I would not, however, pitch the rates as low as they are in Godhra nor at the same time would I recommend those proposed by Mr. Beyts, and I submit the following for sanction which appear to me moderate and reasonable :-

| 1st Group |  |  | Rs. a. p. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2nd |  | ... |  | 12 | 0 |
| 3 rd | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 8 | 0 |
| 4th and 5th groups | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 12 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | 0 |

Of the 4 villages entered in group 1st by Mr. Beyts the Kasba town of Halol alone should be charged the maximum rate of Rs. 2-8-0, for the remaining 31 do not advocate a higher rate than Rs. 2. I concur in Mr. Beyts' remarks about the second and third groups. But the villages distinguished by Mr. Beyts under groups 4 th and 5 th should I am of opinion be placed under one class, viz.. 4th 12 annas. I am not aware of any sufficient grounds why these villages should be differentiated, their climate, soil, situation are one. Cultivators all Bhils and Naikdís and Talívias. While writing this report I happened to see the Mahailkari of Hailol and casually asked him which village was the better one, Palanpur of group 4th or Umarván-motu of group 5th. His reply was that one was is grood or rather as bad as the other. That in fact, there was no appreciable distinction.
6. In case Government approve of the modifications I propose the rice and water-rates (paras. 51 to 57 ) in the general proposals regarding which I quite agree with Mr. Beyts, will have to be altered accordingly, i.e. since rice and
water-rates are double the Jirait rates including the soil rate double of what I propose for the different groups will be charged instead of the rates given in para. 57.
7. As regards the lands of the Talávia settlers alluded to in para. 61 of Mr. Beyts' report, I shall ere long have the honour of submitting a separate report on the condition of that colony. Most of these so-called settlers have left. Naturally an indolent and careless class of people they had to contend with two successive bad seasons, while their staple crops of kodra last season turned out poisonous. Most of their land will therefore have to be assessed in the ordinary manner and taken up in the usual way.
8. As regards trees (para. 66 of Mr. Beyts' report) I am decidedly of opinion that there should be one uniform rule throughout the district and would therefore propose that the orders passed with regard to the Godhra Taluka should be adhered to.
9. Finally as regards the term of settlement I am of opinion that a period of at least 10 years should be fixed. I am ordinarily an advocate of the term of 30 years, as nothing less than that secures a permanency of tenure sufficient to promote enterprize and attract capital. Normal conditions do not, however, hold in the case of this Mahál. While, therefore, the experimental nature of the new system requires a certain limit within which its effects on the present inhabitants may be clearly demonstrated, we should remember that with the opening up of the district by railways and other facilities of communication, the inherent qualities of the land will become better known and then will develop a certain demand for it by immigrants from outside. When this takes place, a revision of the present low pitched rates would be fair and in accordance with economical laws, and therefore I would not recommend a longer term that 10 years as the duration of this first settlement.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient Servant, W. WOODWARD, Acting Collector, Panch Maháls.

Through the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.

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\text { No. } 430 \text { or } 1880 .
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Fbom
Colonel W. C. ANDERSON,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.;
To
Tar COMMISSIONER, Northern Division.

Poona, 14th April 1880.
Sir,

In forwarding the appended papers regarding the settlement of 73 rayatvari villages of the Halol sub-division of the Panch Mahals my remarks will be short, having no personal acquaintance with this district. I can only reason on the facts supplied by the Superintendent of Survey and the Collector.
2. In the 45th para. of his report the Superintendent states most Para. 45, Saperintendent's decidedly that the superiority of the Kalol Táluka
over the Hálol Táluka is most decided: "The supeover the Hálol Taluka is most decided: "The supe-
that they cannot be treated upon similar terms, it is an inferior district in every respect, and in the chief respect, class of cultivators, there can be no question as to its being vastly inferior." It appears that the maximum rate for the best group of Kálol settled a few years back was Rs. 3 and Rs. 2-8-0 is proposed for the best group of Hálol.

## 3. Farther the Superintendent states that he "does not consider Hálol

 superior to Godhra in any one respect," yet the maxi-Para. 46, Saperintendent's report. mum rate sanctioned for the town of Godhra a few years back was Re. 1-12-0 and Rs. 2-8-0 is now proposed for Hálol.
4. At para. 60 of his report the Superintendent gives a statement showing the result of the rates proposed by him, show-
Para. 45 of the Superintendent's letter. ing an increase of from Rs. 17,281 collected in 1878-79 to Rs 21,130, the estimated result under the proposed rates showing an increase of $22 \frac{1}{4}$ per cent. It appears to me that the rates now proposed have been framed more with a view to maintaining and somewhat increasing the old revenue, which the Superintendent admits has been in some parts "screwed up," than to preserving some kind of consistency and uniformity with the rates introduced into adjacent tálukas.
5. The Collector in para. 5 of his forwarding letter after pointing out the inconsistencies in the Superintendent's proposed mode of rating this taluka compared with the rates introduced into adjacent táluka proposes to adopt the standard of the Dohad Táluka assessment and proposes the following rates:-

> Rs. a. p.

| 1st Group | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2nd |  | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1 | 12 | 00 | Except the Kasbs |
| :---: |
| town of Hálol for |
| which Rs. 2-8-0 |
| to be retained. |

6. As regards the first three groups the above proposals appear to me in all respects proper and to be a fair deduction from the comparative facts of the case as stated even by the Superintendent himself. In regard to including the Superintendent's 4th and 5th groups into one group and rating it at Re. 0-12-0, the objection is that villages in this group would thereby be assessed exactly half the rate of adjacent villages in the 3rd group and so sudden a descent in assessment on account of position cannot be required. The western villages of the Superintendent's 4 th group must more nearly resemble the adjacent villages of the 3rd group than the eastern villages of the 5th group. It would therefore be advisable to retain a 4th group and place the assessment intermediate between that of the 3 rd and 5th. The proposed maximum dry-crop assessment of the 3 rd group being Re. 1-8-0 that of the 4th should be Re. 1-1-0 and that of the 5 th Re. 0-12-0. The rate proposed both by the Superintendent and the Collector for the 5th group.
7. The result of these changes will probably be the reduction of the increase of assessment from 22 per cent. to about 8 per cent. But in the Government assessed waste which appears to be of area of acres 9,894 bearing surver assessment Rs. 9,538 , there is abundant room for a very considerable future increase of revenue. The proposed change in the dry crop-rates would, if approved, proportionately affect the proposals for rice and garden lands.
8. The Superintendent states that he has no certain data regarding the area taken up by the Forest Department. He assuredly could have had no difficulty in obtaining this data had he applied for it and stated clearly what he required. This information can however be given in a final report after the settlement.
9. To the proposals of the Collector regarding wood and forest arrangements and the term for which the settlement should be sanctioned, I can see no possible objection. The.wood and forest arrangements should be clearly uniform throughout the Collectorate. For a tract of country in a transition state from uncivilization to civilization like the Panch Maháls a ten-year settlement would appear quite long enough, private improvement can thereby be in no way interfered with or checked as all improrements resulting from private capital are by law exempt from special assessment.

Your obedient Servant,<br>W. C. ANDERSON, Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.

(Below Survey and Settlement Commissioner's No. 430, dated 14th April 1880.)

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\text { No. } \frac{\mu}{6} \text { of } 1880 .
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## Revente Department.

Camp Mátherán, 1st May 1880.
Forwarded to Government. Both the Collector and Survey Commissioner do not approve of the rates proposed by the Superintendent, Revenue Survey, for the 73 Government villages of the Hallol Mahál. The reasons advanced by Mr. Beyts in support of the rates proposed by him are not tenable and he contradicts himself by proposing a higher rate for these villages when he says that he does not consider "Halol superior to Godhra in any one respect." Mr. Woodward has submitted modified rates which Colonel Anderson approves of with the exception of the rates for the 4th group, which he would divide into two groups. The reasons in support of this modification are fully stated by him. Thus the rates to be sanctioned are as follows :-

| 1st Group | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Rs. | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2nd ", | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\#$ | 1 | 12 | 0 |
| 3rd " | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\#$ | 1 | 8 | 0 |
| 4th ", | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 5th " | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | 0 | 12 | 0 |

2. But Mr. Woodward proposes to treat Hálol itself exceptionally and fixes the rate for it at Rs. 2-8-0. There is hardly sufficient reason for this variation. Considering the transition state of these Maháls and the notoriety which Halol has for an unhealthy climate, the rates should be pitched as low as possible. It is an object of some importance also to attract colonists to the Kasba town, and as the term of settlement is proposed to extend to only 10 years the loss of revenue would he comparatively trifling.
3. As regards wood and forest arrangements there can be no question of the advantage of one uniform system throughout the district as proposed by the Collector and concurred in by the Survey Commissioner.

L. REID,<br>Acting Commissioner, N. D.

Revenue Survey and Assessment.
No. 2688.

## Revente Department.

Bombay Castle, 24th May 1880.
Memorandum from the Commissioner, N. D., No. M.-5, dated 1st May 1880-Submitting Letter from the Collector, Panch Mahals, No. 771, dated 6th April 1880, with accompaniments
Letter from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D. No. 430, dated 14th April 1880. with remarks correspondence noted in the margin, relative to the proposals made by Mr. Beyts for the of the Halol Sub-division of the Panch Mabals. settlement of 73 rayatvári villages

Resolution.-The reports now submitted contain proposals for the survey settlement of the 73 rayatvari villages of the Hálol Peta Mahál in the Panch Maháls District. The original proposals submitted by the Superintendent of Survey, Mr. Beyts, have been considerably modified by the Acting Collector, Mr. Woodward, with whom the Survey Commissioner, Colonel Anderson, generally agrees.
2. The Hálol Mahál forms the southernmost portion of the Collectorate, and is a compact block measuring 24 miles from north to south and 18 miles from east to west. The taluka is generally fertile, water lies near the surface, and the average rainfall exceeds 44 inches. A great part of the tract is covered with a low growth of forest. It contains three streams of moderate size, which are dry, however, in the hot season. The area of the Mahals is 291 square miles with a population of 25,926 souls; but that of the 73 rayatvári villages is only 131 square miles with a population of 16,354 or 125 to the square mile. No more than 2,664 of these are described as agriculturists, but Government apprehend that this must be a mistake for khátedars, as the number of those who earn their living by agricultural pursuits must considerably exceed $\frac{1}{6}$ th of the whole population. It does not seem that much reliance can be placed on Statistical Table No. V. appended to Mr. Beyts' report for besides giving only 2,664 as the total agricultural population it gives 11,399 out of a total of 16.354 as employed on "indoor work," which in a wild and jungly district like: Hálol which contains only one village of any size, must be erroneous. Mr: Beyts gives a very unfavourable account of the cultivators generally, who with the exception of a few Kunbis in two villages, are Kolis, Bhils, and Náikrás, "deficient in skill and lacking in both energy and capital and whose low intelligence render the Hálol Mahál, in his opinion, the least flourishing in the district." Government will have occasion to refer again to this estimate of the productive resources of Hálol. The principal crops grown are kodra, rice and baijri, though banti, baoto, math, and castor oil are also cultivated to a considerable extent. The cultivation of the tract is principally kharif. The Kasba town of Hálol is the only market of importance within the Mahál, but. Kálol, Dabhoi, and Baroda lie within easy reach of the cultivators, who have but little difficulty in disposing of their produce, though the trade to Dabhoi and Baroda is hampered by transit duties imposed by His Highness the Gaikwár's Government. The total area of Goverument arable assessed land within the Mahál is 26,423 acres, of which 16,529 are occupied, leaving a margin of 9,894 acres for future occupation. Of unculturable waste there are only 942 acres, exclusive of village sites, roads, \&c., while unassessed and forest lands measure 48,606 acres. The Superintendent of Survey states (paragraph 17) that he is unable to give the actual area taken up by the Forest Department, which, as the Collector observes, it was his obvious duty to have ascertained from the District Forest 0 fficer. The requisite information should be obtained and added as a supplement to the present report without delay.
3. The Superintendent divides under three heads the system of collecting the revenue that existed at the time the Halol Mahal was taken over from His Highness Scindia.

[^3]Under the first head fall a number of villages, which do not come within the scope of his report. Under the second head were comprised those villages which were leased out to farmers, and under the third such as were managed directly by the authorities, and in which a hal or plough tax was levied at rates varying from Re. 1 to Rs. 20 the plough. One plough was considered equal to 10 bighás. The Izárdári villages have now been all resumed, while the Hálbandi has been succeeded by the bigoti system in which a rough estimate of the amount to be imposed on each bigha was arrived at by dividing the total amount realized by the area actually occupied in each village. For uparvadia cultivators, or those who, living in one village, hold land in another, a rate was imposed of 6 annas a bigha for kodra, and one rupee a bigha for other descriptions of cultivation. The land assessment throughout the Mahál has thus been hitherto levied on very irregular principles, and Mr. Beyts is of opinion that in some parts at all events it has been injudiciously heavy.
4. The preliminary operations of the survey were commenced as early as 1868-69, but were not brought to a close until shortly before the date of Mr. Beyts' report. The classification test has been conducted by Mr. Bulkley, an officer of ability and experience. Mr. Beyts proposes to divide the villages of the Mabal into five groups with maximum rates as shown below:-

|  |  | Group. |  | No. of Villages. | Maximim Rates. |  |  | Well Rate includ ing Soil. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Dry-crop. | Rice (soil and water). | Dekurint or lift from Streams (soil and water). |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Rs. a, p. | Rs. a p. | R. a. p. | Rs. a. p. |
| 1 | ... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | 2880 | 500 | 500 | 500 |
| 2 | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | 18 | $20^{2} 00$ | 400 | 400 | 400 |
| 3 | ... | ... | ... | 20 | 1120 | 3880 | 3880 | 380 |
| 4 | .- |  | ... | 23. | 140 | 280 | 280 | 280 |
| 5 |  | ... | ... | 8 | 0120 | 1880 | 180 | 180 |

Both the Collector and the Survey Commissioner disapprove of Mr. Beyts' proposed assessment, and the Collector, who has, of course, personal knowledge on the subject, also objects to the grouping, considering that the 4th and 5th groups are in all essential respects exactly similar to each otber, and the villages of both should be included in one group. Mr. Beyts' proposals are, moreover, altogether inconsistent with his own description of the Hálol Mahál. In paragraph 2 of this Resolution his estimate of the tract as compared with other subdivisions in the Panch Maháls was quoted. But though thus classing Hálol as the worst of the five Mahals he proposes rates for it which are much in excess of those which have been sanctioned in Godhra and Dohad. The following table, extracted from the Collector's 5th paragraph, contrasts the rates existing in the latter two Maháls with those now proposed for Hálol :-


[^4]two. But by his own showing it is certainly no better and probably worse ; and this estimate, which is in accordance with that of the Collector, seems to Government indisputably correct. The Collector and Survey Commissioner, therefore, as was to be expected, both object to Mr. Beyts' proposals and the former submits his own in opposition to them. These are transcribed below :-

| 1st Group | ... | ... | ... | ...Rs | 2 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2nd | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... " | 112 | 0 |
| 3 rd | ... | ... | ... | , | 1.8 | 0 |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l} \text { 4th } \\ 5 \text { th } \end{array}\right\},$ | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... " | 012 | 0 |
| Kasba Hálol... |  | ... | ... | ... » | 2.8 | 0 |

Mr. Woodward would, like Mr. Beyts, impose on all rice, garden, and dhekuriat land a rate exactly double the dry-crop assessment. The Survey Commissioner concurs with Mr. Woodward in all his proposals excepting that which would include Mr. Beyts' 4th and 5th groups under one group assessed at 12 annas, pointing out that the difference in that case between the maximum rates in the 3 rd and 4 th groups would be too great. He proposes therefore a 4 th group assessed at Rs. 1-1-0, the 5th to be still assessed at annas 12.
5. Having carefully considered these various propositions Government are not satisfied that any of them meet the requirements of the case. They approve of placing the Kasba town of Hálol by itself in the 1st class, but they do not approve of imposing a maximum rate of Rs. 2-8-0 on it, while the highest rate in Dohad is Rs. 2 and in Godhra Rs. 1-12-0. The character of the population of Halol and its advantages of communications and markets will not justify a higher rate of assessment than that imposed in Dohad. The villages, exclusive of Halol, which form Mr. Bests' 1st group, may be placed in the 2nd group, and assessed at Iis. 1-12-0, which is the maximum rate of the 1st group in Godhra, and the rates which His Excellency in Council is pleased to sanction for the other groups are shown below :-


It is, as Mr. Woodward observes, all important on the first introduction of the survey into such a wild tract as the Hálol Mahál not to discourage agriculture by the imposition of a high assessment. It is not intended that the present rates should be sanctioned for 30 years, and experience will soon show whether it will be safe to increase them. With regard to water rates Government approve of Mr. Beyts' proposal to impose on rice and dhekuriat lands double the dry-crop rate. But now that they have so considerably lowered the dry-crop rates they do not think that such an assessment will be reasonably sufficient on garden land as distinguished from rice and dhekuriat land. That the rates hitherto imposed on land irrigated from wells have been injudiciously severe may be admitted, but there is a limit below which it is neither necessary nor desirable to reduce them. The following rates may therefore be imposed on garden land irrigated from wells:-

| 1st group (Hálol Kasba)... |  |  |  | ... | ...Rs. | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2nd | " | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$. ${ }^{\prime}$ | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 rd | " | ... | ... | ... | ..." | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| 4th | " | . $\cdot$ | $\cdots$ | ** | $\cdots$ | 3 | S | 0 |
| 5th | " | ... | ... | ... | . ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ " | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| 6 th | " | ... | . - | - | $\cdots$ | 1 | 8 | 0 |

The assessment hitherto has varied from Rs. 30 an acre in Hilol Kasb; to Rs. 21 elsewhere, and the rates now imposed will leave a large margin of pro-

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fit to the cultivator and encourage those who have sufficient capital to extend their irrigated cultivation.
6. Government will await the further report promised in paragraph 7 of the Collector's forwarding letter before giving any orders regarding the Talávia settlers.
7. The proposal contained in paragraph 66 of the Superintendent's report and paragraph 8 of the Collector's letter, that trees should be treated in Hálol in the same way as they have been treated in Godhra, is approved.
8. The Collector proposes that the term of guarantee should be only ten years and his views are apparently approved by the Survey Commissioner. But a lease of only five years was granted to Dohad, and as the settlement is avowedly of a tentative character and considerable alterations may be necessary on revision, it seems judicious to guarantee it only for such a period as will give sufficient time for observation of its effects. Government are pleased therefore to guarantee the rates now sanctioned for Hislol for a term of five years only. On the revision of the settlements in Hálol and Dohad it is hoped that a guarantee can be given for the number of years that will then remain unexpired of the Kalol settlement, so that the settlement rates of all three talukas will expire simultaneously.
9. The Settlement Officer should be requested in all cases to give the proportion of the average gross produce of the land which the rates represent. The experiment on this subject has been carried on now for so many years as to enable a tolerably safe estimate to be formed on this point, and it is the best guide to the fairness of the rates imposed more especially as in the adjacent Native States the proportion of the crop which the Chief takes is well known and will admit of comparison with those in British Districts.
10. Government cannot commend the report of Mr. Beyts, which is wanting in lucidity and arrangement; nor do his proposals seem on the whole to have been well considered or judicious.

## H. A. ACWORTH,

 For Acting Secretary to Government. No. 190 op 1881.From

> N. B. BEYTS, Esquire,
> Deputy Superintendeat, Revenue Survey $\quad$ and Assessment, Gujarát ;

To

G. F. M. GRaNT, Esquire,<br>Acting Collector, Panch Maháls.

> Deputy Superintendent's Office, Surat, 5 th April 1881.

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I have the honour to report having carried out the settlement of the 73 villages of the Hálol Peta Mahal in accordance with the order of Government No. 2688, dated the 24th May 1880.
2. The amended figures in each village resulting from the sanctioned maximum rates are given in detail in the general statementappended. It is only necessary to briefly show below the results according to groups.


The black figures show the actual revenue subject to the deduction made in favour of the Talávia colonists. The pale ink figures denote the full assessment which will be levied after

Vide para. 60 of my No. 193 of the March 1880.
the period of grace has lapsed. Comparing these results with my original proposition Rs. 21,130 , there is a loss of Rs. 4,931 , but it is to be hoped that the liberality of Government will encourage the people to extend the area of their cultivation.
3. The general results of the settlement are shown below :-

|  |  |  |  |  | a |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Survey assessment of Government cultivated land |  |  | ... | 16,199 | 6 | 0 |
| Old system on same area | ... | ... | ... | 16,145 | 6 | 9 |
| Increase equivalent to $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. |  | ... | $\cdots$ | 53 | 15 | 3 |
| Survey assessment of Government waste land Kamal or total assessment of Government land cultivat- |  |  |  | 6,055 | 8 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | 22,254 | 14 | 0 |
| ed and waste ... <br> Do. of alienated land | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 9,062 | 10 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | -31,317 | 8 | 0 |
| Nuksin or loss on alienations |  | -•• | $\cdots$ | 8,579 | 10 | 0 |
| 'Iotal realizable land revenue under the surveg system... |  |  |  | 22,737 | 14 | 0 |

4. The subjoined statement of the annual jamábandi scarcely needs any explanation. The balance shown in column 34 has since been recovered to the extent of Rs. 32-1-6, the remaining portion will have to be written off, being due from men who have died, deserted or who are insolvents.

5. The orders of Government are necessary on the following subjects :-

Kemission of the Patel-haks or taxes levied from Government landTaxes. holders in two villages only, of the aggregate value of Rs. 151-9-4. This tax hitherto levied from alienated landholders has been commuted into annual payments on the 10 years' average realizations.
6. A tax called Gugri-vero of the value of Rs. 21-14-2 and Kasab and Páni-vero of the aggregate value of Rs. 240-14-4 should be abolished under Act XIX. of 1844 as these sums have not been.hitherto levied in connection with land revenue.
7. A house-tax, or Gharbhadu, levied from agriculturists to the extent of Rs. 2-14-2, should be cancelled as usual.
8. I have allotted $1,097_{50}^{36}$ acres from the unassessed waste for the village cattle in the 73 villages, at the rate of 5 to 10 acres per 100 head of cattle according to the circumstances of each village.
9. Váda land or homestead enclosures to the extent of $13_{\frac{10}{36}}$ acres have been confirmed rent-free to those who have hitherto had the enjoyment The free limit being $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acre in the Kasba town and one acre in the villages.
10. 'The sum to be levied henceforth from kacha wells will have to be fixed to enable the local authorities to act without constant reference to the Survey Department. In Kalol Rs. 6 per kos was fixed. In Godhra on Colonel Prescott's recommendation the rate was fixed at 1 rupee. I think this is far too low a rate for Halol, Rs. 2 will in my opinion be a fair and proper rate.
11. The bend demarcation of Hálol is now being rapidly brought to a close.
12. My Assistant Mr. Summers is also demarcating the forest reserves. I am not yet in a position to give the area, and shall not be able to do so until the close of the season.
13. The work of measuring off new village sites or hamlets established since Halol was first measured will also be undertaken and finished this season.
14. I beg to submit a new set of statistical papers to be substituted for those which had been sent with my first report No. 193, dated the 15th March 1880. The discrepancy in the number of agriculturists was due to the families of agriculturists and those partially engaged in agriculture being excluded. I was not well at the time the report was written, and failed to detect the errors which had crept in.
15. In conclusion I would state that the rates were introduced without any trouble. The people appeared astonished to have been dealt with so liberally, the general expectation was a considerable enhancement of the State demand, especially in the Kasba town. The policy of very low rates of assessment will be fully tested in the next 3 or 4 years. I do not really think that rates below a certain nominal value will have the good effect anticipated. In Godhra the experiment has failed, and we had ample opportunities of knowing that in such talukas the Sávkír is virtually the gainer by concessions which never extend to the thriftless rayats. The great desideratum in jungly tilukas is not to press the rayats too much, nor to demoralize them by very low rentals.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

> N. B. BEY'IS,

Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarit.

| 䓵 | Name of Village. |  | AREA AND ASSESSMENT OF GOVERNMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | Maximum Rate. | Average Rate. | Area | Assessment. | Soil. | Water. | Ascrage Rate. | Area. | Asse ssment. | Maxi- mulil Ratc. |  | Arca. | Askeas. ment. |
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CLASS II.—Maximum


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CLASS IV.-Maximum


| LANDS BY THE REVENUE SURVEY SETTLEMENT. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | comparative results of the settlement. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Garden Lands. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | General average Rate per Acre onAssess. ment of Arez cultivated 1879-80. |  |  | Cultivated Area assessed by the Survey. | Arez of (Pcta-padtar) waste Land included in cultivated Numbers. | Total cultivated Area, being total of Columns 28 and 29. |
| Dhokurist or river-watered Lands. |  |  |  |  | Total Garden Lands. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum Rate. |  |  | Ares. | Assessment | $\Delta$ verage Rate. | Area. | Assessment. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Soil. | Water. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { to A. D. } \\ & 1878-79 . \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 30 | 21 | $\underline{2}$ | 23 | 24 | 35 | 38 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
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Rate Rs. 1-8-0—continued.


Rate RR. 1-4-0-continued.

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| lands by the revenue gurvey settlement. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Comparative results of the settlembnt. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Dhekuriat or rivor-watered Landa. |  |  |  |  | Total Garden Lnvde. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| $\cdots$ | * | -• | -• | $\cdots$ | * | - | $\cdots$ |  | 24912 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  |
| . | * | - | - | .... | -* | - | $\ldots$ | 072 | 171410 | 270 | 518 |  |  |  |
| -* | -• | . | . | . | - | - | . | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 6 & 8 \\ 0 & 6 & 2\end{array}$ |  | 420 | 144639 | 144639 |  |
| * | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | * | * | - | $\cdots$ | . $\cdot$. |  | $617$ | 2110 |  |  |  |  |
| -• | - | ** | - | -• | $\begin{array}{lll} 1 & 13 & 6 \\ 1 & 13 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3025 \\ & 1310 \end{aligned}$ | 36880 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ | 963128 | 667141 | 1,298 13 | 1913 | 1,317 6 |
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| - | -• | $\cdots$ | -• | *** | 1134 | 4335 | 808 | 082 | 1,035 30 | 6SS 121 | 1,538 4 | 1913 | 1,35\% 17 |
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Rate Re. 0-12-0.



CLASS VI.—Maximum



Rate Re. 0-1®-continued.

N. B. BEYTS,

Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarit.

STATISTICAL TABLE No. İ.
Details of Surveyed Area.

| Name of District. | Total Number of Villages. | area in Squaro Miles. | Villages suryeyed in detath. |  | Detalls of surveyed Area. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Gover | ment. | Alio | ated. |  | tal. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Numbers. | Acres. | Numbers. | Acres. | Numbers. | Acres. |
| 1 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Hálol | $73 \mathrm{Khálsa}$, surveyed and sattled 77 Tạlukdári surveyed and settlement not made. <br> 16 Alienated surreyed and set tlement not made. <br> 106 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { M. } & \text { a. } & \text { g. } \\ 261 & 373 & 7 \end{array}$ | 73 | $\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{g} .$$131107$ |  | \} 2,959 | $\left.\begin{array}{r} \text { A. . } \\ 12,550 \\ 12.50 \\ 342 \\ 1,258 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | \} 1,259 | $\begin{array}{rr} \text { A. } & \mathrm{g} \cdot \\ 5,425 & 3 \\ 518 & 29 \\ 688 & 14 \end{array}$ | \} 4,218 | $\left\{\begin{array}{rr} A . & g . \\ 17,975 & 32 \\ 860 \\ 1,946 & 33 \end{array}\right.$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 2,959 | 14,151 12 | 1,259 | 6,632 6 | 4,218 | 20,783 18 |
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## N. B. BEYTS,

Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarát.

## STATISTICAL TABLE No. II.

Details of Survey Assessment.


## STATISTICAL TABLE Nu. III.

Details of Cultivation.

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## STATISTICAL TABLE No. IV.

Detail of Population.

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Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarát.

STATISTICAL TABLE No. V.
Occupations of the People.

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- Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarát.

STATISTICAL TABLE No. VI.
Returin of Houses, Chárdis, Wells, \&̧c., and of Live and Dead Stock.

N. B. BEYTS,

Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Gujarát.

S'TATISTICAL TABLE No. VII.
Detail of Occupancy.


## No. 992 of 1881.

From

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- G. F. M. GRANT, Esquire,
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Acting Collector, Panch Maháls;
To
G. F. SHEPPARD, Esquire,

Commissioner, N. D.
Godhra, 3rd May 1 Ss1.
Sir,
I have the honour to submit the final report of the Deputy Superintendent of Survey on the settlement of the Halol Mahal.
2. There is nothing very striking in the figures given in the tabular statement under para. 2. The actual realizations from Government cultivated land fell short of Mr. Beyts' anticipations, and were a mere triffe over those of the previous year, but the people in Halol will take a little time to get familiarized with the system newly introduced.
3. The hak and veros referred to in paras. 5, 6 and 7 should be remitted as sugrgested.
4. As regards the Wada lands I have since had some correspondence with the Survey Department under the old arrangements these were never charged, the Bhil and Naikda cultivators putting up huts here and there, as suited them, and enclosing small pieces of land round them. These huts will sometimes be so scattered that it is impossible to regard thern as one settlement. During the jamibandi, however, this year, it struck me that instances were not infrequent of such homesteads being formed to the extent of $10,12,20$, or more in a single survey number. As there seemed hopes that such settlement would become centres, attract others, and in time form hamlets, I wrote to Mr. Beyts on the subject. Mr. Bulkley; his locum tenens, has made arrangements, by which where the huts really form a cluster, agám talioo will be established. Those who live in scattered huts will pay assessment on their wadas. This will tend to encourage these people to come together and form committees, which is in every way desirable, and those who have already shown a tendency to live together will not be disheartened by being charged for their homesteads after having enjoyed them without payment under the former system.
5. Looking at the great difference in the conditions of Kalol and Halol, I think Mr. Beyts' proposal (para. 10) to fix the kacha well rate in the latter at Ris. 2 per kos (or $\frac{1}{3}$ of the rate in the former) is fair and reasonable.
6. In para. 14, Mr. Beyts refers to and accounts for errors which got into the statistical papers last year. A new set is appended to his present report.
7. There is no doubt the rates fixed are moderate, but in doing the jamabandi this year the actual colllections for land revenue seemed to have - slightly fallen off. The realizations on account of fines for unauthorized cultivation considerably more than made up for this, although offences of the kind were very leniently dealt with. The poorer classes do not as yet understand the new system, and there were large traverse numbers, of which they would not take up the whole, so cultivated parts. These are now being split up into smaller numbers, and, I think, when this is done, a good deal of the land now unauthorizedly cultivated will be taken up in a legitimate manner, and that there will be an apparent, as well as a real, increase of land revenue.

> I have the honour to be,
> Sir,
> Your most obedient Scrvant,
> G. F. M. GRANT, Acting Collector, Panch Maháls.

Through the Survey and Scttlement Commissioncr, N. D.

Fbom

Colonel W. C. ANDERSON,<br>- Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.;

To
The COMMISSIONER,
Northern Division.
Poana, 28th May 1881.
Sir,
I beg to forward the final settlement report of the Hálol Mahal the survey settlement of which was sanctioned by Government Resolution No. 2688 of the 24th May 1880.
2. The estimated revenue result on the Government occupied land on Mr. Beyts' calculations was Rs. 21,130 against the ten years' average of Rs. 16,723, and the last year's collections of Rs. 16,145 the actual result has proved to be but Rs. 16,199 or Rs. 4,931 less than Mr. Beyts' estimate, 23 per cent., and Rs. 524 less than the ten years' past average and but Rs. 54 in excess of the last year's realizations. The Deputy Superintendent gives no explanation whatever of the cause of the error in his estimate of revenue under the survey settlement by so large an amount as 23 per cent. But it appears probable that the miscalculation arose from an over-estimate of the Government occupied area which I observe in para. 2 of Government Resolution No. 2688 of the 24th May 1880 is put at acres 16,529 (I have no cepy of the original settlement report of last year so quote areas from the Resolution) now in Statistical Table No. I. appended to the Deputy Superintendent's report, the Government occupied area is put at acres 14,151. Again in the Government Resolution above referred to the area of unoccupied arable Government waste is put at acres 9,894 while from the statistical table above referred to it is now put at acres 6,959 . Though there is so large a reduction in the realized revenue below the estimate of the Deputy Superintendent, there is no material actual loss, and the acres 6,959 of Government unoccupied arable waste bearing survey assessment Rs. 5,594 will afford room for a future increase to the revenue as the people settle down and habituate themselves to the more regular definition of cultivation prevalent in a surveyed district.,
3. The remission of the cesses referred to in paras. 5, 6 and 7 of the Deputy Superintendent's report is proposed for sanction in which the Collector concurs.
4. The arrangements in regard to house sites explained in the Collector's 4th para. appear judicious.
5. In garden it appears that a kos or mot (the leather bag used for raising water from wells) rate of Re. 1 on kacha wells was sanctioned, while in Kalol this rate was fixed at Rs. 6, an entire moderate rate of Rs. 2 is now proposed for Halol which is approved by the Collector.
6. In para. 2 of Government Resolution No. 2688 of 24th May last Government adverted to apparent errors in Mr. Beyts' statistical tables, these errors are now admitted and corrected tables are forwarded.
7. Some material changes and reductions in the rates proposed by Mr. Beyts were ordered by Government Resolution No. 2688 of the 24th May last, the last paragraph of the present report appears to advert to the modification of the rates then made and to prophecy evil results therefrom. These evil anticipations appear uncalled for, it would have been more to the purpose had Mr. Beyts instead given some explanation of the undoubted fact of this estimate of revenue being excessively wrong.

Your obedient Servant,<br>W C. ANDERSON,<br>Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.

No. 1642 of 1881.
From
G. F. SHEPPARD, Esquire,

Commissioner, N. D. ;
To
J. B. PEILE, Esquire, C.S.I.,

Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Bombay.
Poona, 7th June 1851.
Sir,
I have the honour to forward report from the Deputy Superintendent, Gujarit Revenue Survey, showing the results of the rates sanctioned for Halol by Government Resolution No. 2688 of 24th May 1880.
2. The Survey Commissioner's explanation of the difference between Mr. Beyts' actuals and estimates is probably the correct one, but it is strange that the Deputy Superintendent should have satisfied himself with simply reporting a deficit of some 23 per cent. without explanation or remark.
3. It is to be regretted also that the Deputy Superintendent has not yet been able to obtain the information regarding the requirements of the Forest Department as desired in para. 2 of the Government Resolution above quoted.
4. As forest restrictions are introduced it will be necessary to guard against the tendency on the part of the cultivators to resign their holdings and to take up fresh land continually for the sake of the stunted jungle and brushwood growing on the latter. If this is not checked the whole culturable waste will soon be denuded of every bush standing thereon.
5. The Collector's proposals regarding "Wáda" lands (known in the Deccan as "Purdia") are concurred in by the Survey Commissioners and appear to me only reasonable. I would however restrict the maximum to $\frac{1}{t}$ acre everywhere. This is amply sufficient for the house-holder to grow a little tobacco, pepper or vegetable for his own consumption. An acre of tobacco or chillies would produce more than he requires for himself and family, and if such cultivation is carried on for profit it is not reasonable that the State should sacrifice the assessment. It should be understood also that such rent-free cultivation can only be allowed in plots adjoining the cultivator's house, and for so long only as the latter is occupied. It is not uncommon to find exemption claimed for plots at a distance from the existing house-sites. These are perhaps sold to third parties instead of reverting to the village site, and the concession is thus open to abuse unless carefully guarded.
6. On the subject of the proposed kacha well assessment (Superintendent's para. 10) I would venture to ask for liberal treatment. The development of Halol will depend very much on the improvement of its water-supply. These kacha wells are seldom used for sugarcane cultivation, but generally to supplement the rainfall for ordinary crops. A rate of Rs. 2 per kos does not appear prohibitive, but while they are taxed at all, very few of these wells will be made. I have never understood the principle of such taxation, and have many times reported that the return is utterly disproportionate to the discouragement thereby given to these useful works. If the few thousand rupees now charged on kacha wells in Kaira were remitted, a large number of new ones would be made at once, and in a district where water never fuils, much anxiety on account of short or unscasonable rainfull would be thereby prevented. I would ask that (at any rate as a special measure during the currency of this short lease) the kos-rate on these wells may be altogether suspended.
7. It is, in my opinion, to be regretted that fines were exacted at the first jaraábandi settlement, to the amount alluded to by the Collector in his 7 th para. I have called for details of these, and will remit, if necessary,
should it appear that sufficient consideration has not been allowed. It is not desirable that fines should be looked on as a means of supplementing the revenue.
8. The hak and veros alluded to by the Superintendent in his 6 th and 7 th paras. may be discontinued.

I have the honour to be, Sir,<br>Your most obedient Servant, G. F. SHEPPARD,<br>Commissioner, N. D.

Revenue Survey and Assessment.
No. 4132.
Rbvenue Department. Bombay Castle, 16th July 1881.
Letter from the Commissioner, N. D., No. 1642, dated 7th June 1881-Sabmitting, with his

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| Panch Maháls, No. 992, dated 3rd May 1881. | tion No. 2688 of 24 th May 1880, correspondence noted in the margin, connected with the final settle- |
|  | port of the Deputy Saperintendent, Gajarat |
| Commissioner, No. 551, da | Revenpe Survey (No. 190 of 1881) on the seventy- |
|  | three rayatrári villages of the |

the Panch Maháls.
Letter from the Commissioner, N. D., No. 1890, dated 30th June 1881—Stating, with reference to Government memorandum No. 3663 , dated the 25 th idem, that the remarks made in paragraph 2 of his letter No. 1642, were founded on those of the Sarvey Commissioner by whom Mr. Beyts' original report had been reviewed, bat, as pointed out by Government, Mr. Beyts is clearly not responsible for the difference in the financial results of the settlement of the Hálol Peta Mahál; and observing that he is unable to account for the difference in area (both occupied and nonoccupied arable assessed) shown in the original report and in Mr. Beyts' subsequent return, and until this is explained he thinks it due to the late Survey Commissioner and to himself to adhere to the remarks made by him so far as they refer to this portion of the "estimaies and actuals." .
Resolution.-The realizations under the survey rates during the past year were Rs. 16,199 , a sum but slightly in excess of the collections under the old rates in the previous year. There is, however, a considerable area of cultivable land still available which it is hoped that the rayats may be encouraged by the lowness of the rates to take up.
2. The cesses referred to in the Deputy Superintendent's paragraphs 5, 6 1. Pátel Hak. 3. Kasab Vero. 5. Gharbbadu. and 7 and which are named in the 2. Gugri Vero. 4. Páni Vero. margin, should be remitted.
3. As regards the question of Wáda lands discussed in the Collector's paragraph 4, Government direct that cultivators should be allowed half an acre free of assessment as a site and compound for each hut whether built on the village site or detached; but they should not be allowed to sell or mortgage this land.
4. Where kacha wells are made the highest jirait rate should be "imposed, - viz., Rs. 2 an acre. No separate rate should be imposed on the "kos."
5. . The late Survey Commissioner and Commissioner, N. D., both censure the Deputy Superintendent of Survey because his estimate of future revenue, based on the rates proposed by him in his original settlement report, has not been realized. The censure appeared inexplicable to Government who remembered that the rates finally sanctioned were entirely different from and much lower than those proposed by the Deputy Superintendent, and the Commussioner was asked for an explanation. In subwitting this explanation he
admits that the Doputy Superintendent was not responsible for the financial results of the settlement. The Commissioner would appear to have adopted the late Survey Commissioner's censure without sufficient enquiry as to its justice, and Government are glad that he now concurs with them in exempting the Deputy Superintendent from blame in respect of the difference in the financial results. The errors in the statistical figures originally submitted by the latter officer are undoubtedly unsatisfactory, but knowing that he has on former occasions been commended for his industry and considering that he excuses the inaccuracies noticed by the bad state of his health at the time of his report Government do not deem it necessary to call for further explanation.

## H. A. ACWORTH, <br> Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To

## The Commissioner, N. .

The Survey and Settlement Commissioner, The Collector of the Panch Maháls.

Nọ. 597 or 1885.
Camp Kälol, 17th March 1885.

## Forwarded to the Commissioner, N. D.

2. As in the recent revisions of the Dohad Taluka and Jhálod Mahál the undersigned has no remarks to offer. The total increase in the assessment of the Mahál only amounts to Rs. 236-15-0 which is owing to the special water-rate imposed on 307 acres 29 gunthás by the original settlement having been replaced by an increase of assessment on 12,850 acres 10 gunthás now adjudged as possessing facilities for irrigation. The undersigned supports Mr. Bulkley's proposal in his 3 rd paragraph regarding the term of the settlement.

J. K. SPENCE, Collector, Panch Maháls.

Throagh the Survey Commissioner.

No. 681 of 1885.
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> T. H. STEWART, EsQ.,
> Survey and Settlement Commissioner ;

To
The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT,
. Revenue Department.

> Survey Commissioner's Office, Mahábaleshvar; 14 th April 1885.

SIR,
I have the honour to submit the accompanying papers relative to the pro. posed revision of the survey rates of assessment in 73 khalsa villages of the Hálol Táluka of the Panch Maháls Collectorate.
2. The survey rates were introduced into these villages for the first time iii 1879-80 under the sanction conveyed in Government Resolution No. 2688 of 24th May 1880 and were guaranteed for a term of 5 years which has now ex-
pired. The object of curtailing the guarantee was that the rates might have a short period of trial before their imposition was made in any way final. The results of the survey rates may be judged from Statement A. appended to Mr. Bulkley's report which shows that although there have been considerable fluctuations in the intermediate years the area of land under occupation has increased during the five years' period by 1,543 acres and the revenue demand by Rs. 2,063. The remissions given during last year amounted to Rs. 232 only, while only Rs. 6 remained as an outstanding balance at the end of the year. It is not explained how the arca of Government assessed waste was greiter in 1881-82 although the area taken up for cultivation was greater, bur it would appear that a large addition was made in that year from the head of unassessed waste to that of assessed.
3. In the case of this táluka, as in the cases of Jhalod and Dohad, it is not intended to make any alteration in the grouping of villages and the maximum rates for dry-crop land which were fixed after considerable discussion in 188 n. But it is proposed to do away entirely with the special rates levied on lands watered by wells both paka and kacha and to make a swall addition to the soil rates of such lands as may be adjudged to possess readily utilizable sub-soil water advantages. The rules under which the classification has been carried out are those which have been sanctioned for the Dohad and Jhálod Talukas with some modification only of the depth from the surface which forms the limits of the three water classes. The water bearing strata in Hálol are as a rule further from the surface, but the disadvantage is counterbalanced by the fact that rock is much more rarely found intervening. Where water is adjudged to be available within 20 feet from the surface the advantage has been placed in the first class, where upwards of 20 but within 30 feet in the second class and where upwards of 30 feet but within 35 feet in the third class. Sub-soil water advantages over 35 feet, are not assessed at all.
4. It will be seen that Mr. Bulkley proposes to extend the settlement to those lands also which are capable of being irrigated from streams by means of "dhekudis" or lifts. This requires some explanation in the light of the remarks contained in paragraph 5 of Government Resolution No. 302 of 13th January last sanctioning the revised rates for the Dohad Taluka. The classification of the land for water advantages had been completed in the Hálol Táluka under the same rules as were applied to Dohad Tailuka fully three months before the remarks above alluded to were communicated, and if it had been decided to cancel the classification of lands having "dhekudi" advantages and to leave them to be dealt with under Section 55 of the Land Revenue Code, a laborious -over-hauling of the classification registers to separate the "dhekudi" valuation from that added for sub-soil water would have been necessary. I-am satisfied, however, that it is equally desirable that a settlement should be come to once for all of the limited facilities for irrigation by water lifts which are found to exist in the Hálol Táluka. - The agricultural population of this tract is on the whole more backward than that of the Dohad Táluka consisting chiefly of Bhils, Naikras and other backward tribes who should be encouraged to use every means available to produce the more valuable kinds of crops. The actual area in these villages at present irrigated from "dhekudis" is only $16 \frac{1}{2}$ acres, and as the streams in this taluka usually dry up before the hot season, it can never be expected that this kind of irrigation will be very common or profitable. A special rate on "dhekudiat" lands under such eircumstances would be likely to prevent the further utilization of a means of irrigation which might be extended to its fullest limits if a small addition only is added to the dry-crop valuation of the lands possessing the advantage. I would therefore urge the extension as a special case of the proposed "dhekudiat" settlement to these villages also. Besides Dohad and Jhálod this is the only other Gujarát Táluka in which under any circumstances I would recommend the extension of this concession.
5. The result of the revision proposals will be an increase of revenue to Government of Rs. 236-15-0 only, equal to 1k per cent. on the revenue now levied on Government occupied land. There will be an entire remission of the special assessment on wells which amounts under the old settlement to Rs. $887-12-0$ assessed on 307 acres 29 gunthás of land. It will be seen from paragraph 5 of Government Resolution No. 2688 of 24th May 1880 that the
rate per acre on garden lands irrigated from wells was as high as Rs. 6 and Rs. 5 in the first and second.groups in which such lands are chiefly found : hence the relief to those who by their enterprise and industry have hitherto dug wells will be very appreciable, while the slight increase made to the dry-crop assessment of lands in which wells can be dug in future cannot possibly operate to deter an occupant from making an improvement which will so enormously increase the share left to him of the gross produce of the land.
6. The whole area adjudged by the classers of the Department to be irrigable is 12,850 acres 10 gunthas, on which the extra assessment imposed will come to Rs.1,124-11-0. The following will be the incidence per acre of the additional rate:-

On the total occupied area adjudged to possess assessable sub-soil water facilities Re. 0-1-5 per acre.

On the total area adjudged to possess such sub-soil facilities, whether occupied or unoccupied Re. 0-1-3.

On the total occupied area irrigable and unirrigable about Re. 0-1-2.
7. I beg to recommend that as proposed by Mr. Bulkley the revised rates should be introduced in 1885-86 and guaranteed for a period of 20 years.

> I have the honour to be, Sir,
> Your most obedient Servant,
T. H. STELVART, Survey and Settlement Commissioner. Through the Commissioner, N. D.
(Below Survey and Settlement Commissioner's No. 681, dated 14th April 1885.)
No. 1349 or 1885.
Camp Lonávli, 20th April 1885.
Revenue Department.

## Submitted for sanction.

2. The Collector should have explained the decrease in the cultivated area shown in the statement, and noticed by the Deputy Superintendent. The five years' settlement sanctioned in 1879-80 was of a tentative nature, and thesuitability of the rates should have been carefully considered.
3. It must however be remembered that the rates sanctioned in the above year were considerably lower than those proposed by the Superintendent. It is moreover certain that on a wild tract such as Hálol, the pressure of too high rates would be shown by difficulty in collection, and by large balances of revenue. It appears however that the existing rates have been collected with great ease, and that the amount outstanding is only nominal. On the other hand there is no proposal to increase the rates, and I therefore support the proposal that the existing rates be guaranteed for a period of 20 years.
4. The extra assessment for water advantage is inappreciable, viz., $1 \frac{1}{4}$ anna per acre on the area found to possess such facility. During my late tour in Gujarat, I did not hear a single complaint against this new principle. The relief afforded by the substitution of this system for that of special well assessment will be more and more felt as revision work proceeds. Under the explanation afforded by the Survey Commissioner, I have no objection to offor to the treatment in a similar manner of the land irrigated by water-lifts.

> G. F. SHEPPARD,
> Commissioner, N. D.

# Rerenue Survey and Assessment : Revision Settlement of 73 villages of the Hálol Tailuka of the Panch Mahalls Collectorate. 

No. 3997.

Revenue Department.

Bombay Castle, 19th May 1885.
Memorandom from the Commissioner, N. D., No. 1349, dated 20th April 18S5-Subwitting the papers noted in the margin relative to the revision of the sarvey rates of assessment in 73 khálsa villages of the Hálol Tálaka of the Panch Mahíls Collectorate.

> Letter No. 146, dated 9th March 1885, from the Deputy Superin.
> tendent, Gajarat Revenue Survey.
> Memorandum No. 597, dated 17 th March 1885, from the Collector
> of the Panch Mahals.
> Letter No. 681, dated 14th April 1885, from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner.

Resolotion.-A survey settlement was sanctioned for the Hálol Taluka in Government Resolution No. 2688 dated 24th May 1880. The rates formed the subject of considerable discussion, and those approved by Government were guaranteed for 5 years only, in order that there might be an opportunity of revising them within a reasonable time if they were found unsuitable. They were introduced at the close of the year 1879-80, and levied in and from the year 1881)-81, so that the period of guarantee expires in the current revenue year.
2. The introduction of the rates was followed by a decrease in the area in occupation, which is attributed by Mr. Bulkley to two causes, (1) that a considerable area of included waste was excluded from the original total area of occupied survey numbers and relinquished, and (2) that some of the land which had been held by members of the Talavia colony was abandoned. The statement of the first reason is not very clear, but His Excellency in Council understands the meaning to be that waste land which had been included in holdings was excluded by the Survey Department, so that the decrease is so far merely nominal, being due to a correction of the record of the occupied area. In 1881-82 there was a considerable extension of cultivation, which was not however maintained in the two succeeding years. It is thought that more land may have been taken up in 1881-82 than could be profitably cultivated, and that the extension of cultivation may have been checked by the inclusion of cultivable lands in forests. Some further enquiry on the latter point appears to be desirable, and the Forest Settlement Officer should be directed to report on it. If the cultivators already had more land in occupancy than they could profitably manage, the conjecture of Mr. Bulkley that the inclusion of part of the land lying waste and not in occupancy inconvenienced them so much that they relinquished part of the land in cultivation is not likely to be correct. But the forest area in the Panch Mahals is already so large that it can scarcely be expedient fand Government by no means desire to include in it any land for which there is a demand for cultivation. However the area in occupation in 1883-84 was considerably in excess of that in occupation when the survey settlement was introduced. In each of the four years ending 1883-84 some remissions had to be granted and balances were outstanding at the close of the year, but the amount of remissions was not large in any year, and the balance outstanding at the end of 1883-84 was only Rs. 6. It would have been advantageous if information regarding the area in occupation in the current year, which must have been available when Mr. Bulkley wrote his report, had been given, and if the pressure which had been exercised for the realization of arrears of revenue had been shown.
3. In view of the very backward condition of many of the cultivators and the unsettled state of agriculture in the Hálol Taluka the result of the settlement may fairly be regarded as successful. Accordingly no modification of the drycrop rates is proposed, but it is recommended that the special assessment on lands actually irrigated be abolished, and that the principle of imposing an

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additional rate on land adjudged to be irrigable which has been carried out in the Dohad Táluka and Jhálod Mahál be adopted. As in that táluka and mahál it is proposed to apply the principle to lands irrigable from streams by means of water-lifts as well as to lands irrigable from subsoil water in order to encourage irrigation, which is as yet carried on in these backward places to but a small extent, but Mr. Stewart does not think that this extension of the principle should be adopted in any other part of Gujarat. The net result of the abolition of the assessment on irrigated lands and of the imposition of a rate on lands adjudged to be irrigable will be an increase in the assessment of Rs. 936-15-0 or $1 \cdot 33$ per cent. The incidence of the water-rate will be only 1 anna 3 pies on all land adjudged to be irrigable and 1 anna 5 pies on land at present occupied which is adjudged to be irrigable.
4. His Excellency the Governor in Council approves of the recommendations above described which are accordingly sanctioned. The Superintendent Revenue Survey and the Survey and Settlement Commissioner propose that the revised rates be introduced in 1885-86. But if that course is adopted, they cannot be levied until 1886-87. No enhancement of the assessment can under Section 106 of the Land Revenue Code take effect until 1885-86, but there is no leggal objection to the announcement or introduction of the rates in the current year, which does not expire until the 31st July. They should therefore be introduced before the close of the current revenue year and levied in 188j-86. They should, as recommended, be guaranteed for 20 years.

## J. MONTEATH,

 Under Secretary to Government.To
The Commissioner, N. D.,
The Collector of the Panch Maháls,
With an intimation that the papers are being printed in the form of a selection from the records of Government, and that when it is ready the usual number of copies of it will be forwarded to them.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { The Secretary of State for India, } \\ \text { The Government of India. }\end{array}\right\}$ By letter.

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[^1]:    * A report of the 77 tálukdari villages is to follow as a supplement to this report.

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[^3]:    (a). Tálukdári.
    (b). Izärdári.
    (c). Hálbandi.

[^4]:    The rates proposed by Mr. Beyts would therefore appear to be defensible only if the condition of the Hálol Taluka were much superior to that of the other

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[^6]:    * Note.-Copies of the papers will be supplied direct to the Deputy Suporintendent, Cujara* Revenue Survey.

