由《淡新檔案》看清末臺灣番社租穀之「名」與「實」

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摘 要

本文以熟番地租中的番社租穀爲考察中心,分析《淡新檔案》中記錄 番社租穀的相關資料,觀察社租的收支詳目與收發過程,以明瞭此類番租 的實質內涵,探討番社租穀是否能「名」如其「實」的使熟番受益。 首先,社職人員往往因乏銀辦理公務或繳交衙門陋規,而將番社租穀出典 或胎借給漢人,番租的收益者因此成爲漢人,而非熟番。其次,就租穀的 收發過程而言,負責收發社租的社職人員自身即可能違法失職,如土目、 通事、番業戶等皆曾侵吞番租,致使眾番之口糧無措。再者,由清末番社 租穀的收支清冊,可發現有一部分社租是用來支付官府衙門的陋規需索與 強制充公。這些問題都造成番租收入的減損。因此,番社租穀的收入數額 並不等同於熟番獲得之實際利益,也因此番社租穀的收入數額不宜直接視 爲熟番地權留存的證據。換言之,番社租穀的「番租」之「名」,並非全然 符合其「番租」之「實」。

關鍵詞:熟番地權、淡新檔案、番社租穀、番租、社租

Discussing on the Rents of Aboriginal Tribes in Qing Taiwan from the Dan-Xin Archives

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Abstract

This article discusses the land rents of the aboriginal tribes in the Qing Taiwan by analyzing the Dan-Xin archives, and in order for us to apprehend the substantial connotation by expenditure items of the tribal rents, to argue if the name of the tribal rents can match the reality to profit the aborigines.

Firstly, the tribal officers often don't have enough cash to handle official business or pay the customary fees to the local government, they have to pawn the tribal rents to the Han, and so the tribal rents are belonged to the Hans.

Secondly, speaking of the receiving and dispatching process of the tribal rents, the tribal officers sometimes broke the law and peculated rents, blasting the aborigines' subsistence.

Thirdly, through the inventories of the tribal rents, we can disclose a part of rents used to pay the customary fees to the local government. The aforementioned points are the reasons of the decrease of the tribal rents.

Therefore, the amount of the tribal rents aren't equal to the interest which are the aborigines received, and the amount on the record of the tribal rents can't be regarded directly as the evidence of the existence of aborigine land rights. In other words, the name of the tribal rents fell shorts of the reality.

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