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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
16th May 1865.*

No. 331. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 10th May 1865, No. 1,770:—

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th April 1865.

Read the following letter from A. HATHAWAY, Esq., Collector of Bellary, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Camp, Kamialapur, 31st March 1865, No. 43.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Order of Government, No. 199 of the 3rd ultimo, embodied in the Board's Proceedings, No. 708 of the 7th idem, requesting me to report as to what means there are at my disposal for planting trees round the Barracks and Hospital at Bellary, I have the honor to report as follows:—

2. The Jail not being under my charge, I have no convict labor at my disposal; I have, however, ascertained from the Acting Sessions Judge that a gang of 50 convicts could be allotted for the purpose of digging holes, fencing, &c.

Murri or Ficus Indica.
Medi or Ficus Cordifolia
"Joony" or Guatteria Longifolia.

3. As regards the kind of tree to be planted, I would propose that branches of the trees marginally noted be planted.

4. They afford more shade, and are more rapid in growth than the Margosa tree, which ordinarily takes about ten years to attain full growth. The wind blowing through the branches of the latter tree during the very hot weather, is also, in the opinion of the Natives, prejudicial to the eyes.

5. From enquiries instituted by me in the District, I believe that about 300 branches of the above-named trees might be delivered at the Barracks at a cost of less than Rupees 40; which could be met from the balance of Rupees 1,700 from

the Jungle Conservancy and Planting Fund* for the current official year

1864-65, remaining unexpended out of the sanctioned amount of the Local Fund Budget of this year.

6. A nursery might also be formed for rearing Australian Acacias, Pines, &c., such as I have managed, with much care, to rear from the seeds supplied to me last year by the Board, through the Agri-Horticultural Society.

7. There is a very good place for such a nursery, near the new well by the Grass Cutters' lines of the Horse Artillery. The water is reported to be very good; and the contents of the trough out of which the Artillery Horses drink might be allowed to run out twice a day, after the horses have finished drinking.

8. This however is a matter, the decision of which rests more with the Major-General Commanding the Division.

9. A gang of 50 convicts could easily prepare the holes for the branches of the trees alluded to above, (which should be supplied at the termination of the hot weather,) prepare and fence a nursery, and fence the trees when planted.

10. The sanction of Government might then be obtained for the services of a dozen nearly time-expired convicts, of good character, to be employed in watering the trees daily during the hot weather, and at least twice a week during the rest of the year, with the exception of the rainy season.

11. The said trees and nursery, if well fenced, would require no watchers.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
16th May 1865.*

12. It might be necessary, however, to employ a gardener at the nursery, till the seeds have germinated, and the young trees attained some size; and it is probable that a Soldier would be willing to undertake this duty for a remuneration.

Submitted to Government, with reference to the Order quoted by the Collector.

ORDER THEREON, 28th April 1865, No. 881.

Miscellaneous.

1. Communicated to the Military Department.
2. The Jungle Conservancy Fund cannot be made available for the purpose in question.
(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief (Quarter Master General's Department) and Public Works Department, and with reference to Proceedings in that Department, No. 1,095, dated 25th April 1865, no further orders in the Military Department appear to be required.

(Signed) R. HAMILTON, Lieut.-Colonel,
Under Secretary to Government.

No. 332.

ORDER THEREON, 16th May 1865, No. 1,330.

MISCELLANEOUS, No. 18.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
28th April 1865.*

No. 344. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th April 1865.

Read the following letter from A. HATHAWAY, Esq., Collector of Bellary, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Camp, Kamalapur, 31st March 1865, No. 43:—

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* Vide my letter No. 26 of the 2nd instant.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd April 1865.*

12. It might be necessary, however, to employ a gardener at the nursery, till the seeds have germinated, and the young trees attained some size; and it is probable that a Soldier would be willing to undertake this duty for a remuneration.

Submitted to Government, with reference to the Order quoted by the Collector.

No. 345.

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2. The Jungle Conservancy Fund cannot be made available for the purpose in question.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
 „ the Military Department.

Miscellaneous Military Department.

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mander-in-Chief/Quartermaster General's
Department/and Public Works Department, and
with reference to Proceedings in that Department
No ¹⁰⁶⁹⁵ ~~2475~~ dated 25 April 1865, no further orders
in the Military Department appear to be required.
Wm Steel

Jack Lamb George,
10th May 1865.

William Hall
Under Secretary to Govt.

To, The Quartermaster General
Public Works Department.
Controller of Military Accounts
Revenue Department.

J. W. 1865 Department
Pro. of Govt. for Bellary
Pro. of the Madras Govt.
in the Military Dept.

10th May 1865
12th May 1865
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Communicating
Proceedings in the Rev.
Dept. on letter from
the Collector of Bellary
reporting on the means
at his disposal for
planting trees around
the Barracks and
Hospital at Bellary.

no. 1330. 16th May 1865

With an Order

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