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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 327. Read the following letter from Æ. R. McDONELL, Esq., Officiating Collector of Trichinopoly, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp, Perambaber, 11th April 1865, No. 12 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to report that the Carolina Paddy received with the Proceedings of Government No. 155, dated the 9th of August 1864, was distributed, through the local officers, to the principal Ryots of the places mentioned in the margin, and the result of the experiment has been explained as follows.

1. Yedayatmangalam.
2. Patchampettah.
3. Alloor.
4. Museri.

Yedayatmangalam and Patchampettah.

2. Two-and-half pounds of the seed were sown in equal quantities in two tracts of land in these villages, the one consisting of three Goolies, and the other six Goolies. The seed germinated on the fifth day, and grew two cubits high, and sprouted ears in three months' time, the crop throughout looked very healthy, and the same was harvested towards the close of the fourth month. The first tract yielded eight measures, and the second sixteen measures, a portion of the crop in both these places is reported to have been injured by rats and birds, &c. The stalk and the blade were longer and thicker than those of the Samba or Car; the ears were very close and heavy with grain. The usual method of threshing was found of no use, and the corn had to be trodden by cattle, the husk was very thin.

Alloor.

3. Two-and-half pounds were sown here in a plot of ground measuring three Goolies, and the yield amounted to $5\frac{1}{2}$ measures. This small supply is attributed to the swampy character of the soil, it is reported that the result would be more satisfactory if the seed be sown in single crop table land commanding a good supply of water. The particulars of the growth as in the following case are as reported above.

Museri.

4. Here the seed was sown in a ground of $3\frac{1}{2}$ Goolies, and the yield was 12 Measures.

5. Like the Car produce of this country the Carolina Paddy is of four months' growth; under proper care and attention, this crop is, like all the native products, capable of proving remunerative.

6. A small quantity of the produce is herewith forwarded for inspection.

7. Referring, at the same time, to the Proceedings of Government, No. 462, dated the 4th ultimo, I beg to state that no compensation to the Ryots concerned is necessary as no loss was incurred by them, they reserved for themselves a great portion of the produce, and sent up to this office a comparatively small quantity.

8. In conclusion, I may say that this kind of rice would flourish in our wet lands, and would prove a remunerative source of cultivation.

No. 328. ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1865, No. 872.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered that the seed be forwarded to the Farm Committee for trial.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Editor's Table.
" the Farm Committee
Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Dr. 872.

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J. R. S.

Front St. George
27th. Aug.st 1660

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J. H. S. Harris's Committee with 4 Bags pickers Des.d Away

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From, Pro: of Govt. No. 1609.
The Offg. Collector of
Trichinopoly
The
The Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department
Fort Saint George

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No. 12.

Reporting the result of the experiment on the sowing of the Carolina Paddy received with the Pro: of Government No. 155 dated the 9th of August 1864.

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With Order