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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
19th March 1868.*

No. 321. Read the following letter from the Superintendent of the Government Chinchona Plantations, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Ootacamund, 14th March 1868, No. 27 :—

1. With reference to the Order of Government, No. 31, dated 6th January 1868, in which Government are pleased to intimate their wish to reimburse me the expenses incurred in bringing the fish to this country, I have the honor to state, that I did not keep an account of all costs connected with collecting and preparing the different species. I consider, however, that £ 45, or 450 Rupees, will cover the total charges to Madras, and Rupees 58-2-0, the cost of transport from Coimbatore to Ootacamund, making a total sum of Rupees 508-2-0, which amount I trust Government may be pleased to sanction.

2. A new house, roofed with wire-netting, is in course of construction for the reception of the fish, the interior being divided into six breeding pools, and supplied with water from a stream passing through filtering beds. Each pool contains ample space for the parent fish, and has a spawn or breeding bed at the side, which will be overshadowed by sub-aquatic plants. This building is not quite complete, but its cost will not exceed 90 or 100 Rupees.

3. The fish have now been upwards of three months in the waters of the Neilgherries, and nothing can be more promising than the progress they have made; the lake Trout and Rudd during that time have grown about an inch, are well developed, strong, and healthy. The Carp and Tench have not grown so rapidly, but they are doing well, and are very active. In every respect the progress of the fish since their arrival in this country has been most satisfactory, and now that they have so successfully passed the first stage of acclimatization, we may reasonably anticipate a satisfactory result of the introduction of European fresh-water fish to our mountain streams.

No. 322. ORDER THEREON, 19th March 1868, No. 717.

Miscellaneous.

1. Payment to Mr. Melvor of Rupees 508-2-0 on account of the expenses in importing fish is sanctioned.

2. The cost of the fish-house will be reported for sanction in due course.

3. The Government are glad to learn that the experiment promises to be so successful.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent of the Government Chinchona Plantations.
„ the Accountant General.
„ the Editors' Table.

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