

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th March 1868.*

No. 461. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th March 1868, No. 1,579.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Bellary, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 16th January 1868, No. 9:—

1. I have the honor to inform the Board that I found in the village of Kudair, thirteen miles west of Anantapur, a large extent of prickly-pear destroyed by an insect having the appearance of a white mould upon the plant. Some of the plant was destroyed to that extent that the villagers had been able to burn it. They inform me that the blight made its appearance about three months ago, but are not aware of its origin, or of similar blight being in the neighbourhood.

2. As the southern part of the town of Bellary is overgrown with a forest of Cactus, for the destruction of which large sums have already been expended, and Rupees 1,000 appeared as an estimated charge for its extirpation, I have directed a bandy load of the freshly attacked plant to be sent to the Tahsildar of Bellary, where, I trust, it may be the means of reducing this noxious vegetation. I beg that the Board will pass the charge of Rupees 5 for this purpose.

1. Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government, and that copy be furnished to the Curator of the Government Museum and the Agri-Horticultural Society.

2. The Board sanction the charge of Rupees 5 for the purpose of making experiments with the insect from the provision made in the current year's Road Fund Budget for the extirpation of the plant.

3. A specimen of the insect should be sent to Captain Mitchell, in order that it may be determined whether it is a new variety, or the same as that reported on in his letter, dated 25th January 1864, No. 8.

No. 462. ORDER THEREON, 26th March 1868, No. 784.

Miscellaneous.

The Government desire to be informed in due course of the result of the experiment, which should be extended to every talook of the Bellary District, and to such parts of the adjoining districts as can be reached while the leaf is green and the insect alive.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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Wm. L. Driscoll

The information that

comes of the result

of the experiment is

that the experiment being

that of the following

the adjoining District as

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leaf is given to the insect

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