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No. 60. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Department of Agriculture, Revenue and Commerce, dated Fort William, 4th December 1872, No. 269:—

Fibres and Silk.

Read the following correspondence on the subject of the reduction of freight for the carriage of rhea fibre and plant by the several Railways in India:—

Letter from Lieutenant-Colonel W. Thelwall, dated 1st June 1872.
Endorsement to Public Works Department, No. 116, dated 8th June 1872.
,, from ,, ,, ,, 993-G. R, dated 3rd July 1872.
,, ,, ,, ,, ,, 1,312 ,, ,, 14th August 1872.
,, ,, ,, ,, ,, 1,420 ,, ,, 4th September 1872.
,, ,, ,, ,, ,, 1,572 ,, ,, 3rd October 1872.
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RESOLUTION.

THE attention of the Government of India having been drawn to the fact that the 3rd class rate charged for the conveyance of rhea fibre by Indian Railway Companies far exceeded the rates charged for cotton, jute, and other fibres, steps were taken to urge a reduction. The Governor-General in Council is now glad to observe that the Railway Companies noted on the margin have agreed to carry rhea on their respective lines at the same rate as that charged for the carriage of cotton, while the East Indian and Sindh, Punjab, and Delhi Railway Companies have consented to lower the charge to the 2nd class rate.

Madras Railway Company.
Great Southern of India Railway Company.
Oudh and Rahilkhund Railway Company.
Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company.
Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Company.

ORDER.—Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to local Governments and Administrations for information and for communication to persons interested in rhea cultivation or trade.

Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chambers of Commerce at Madras, Bombay, and Calcutta, and to Colonel Thelwall, for information.

Ordered also that a copy of this Resolution be published in the Supplement to the *Gazette of India*.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) J. GEOGHEGAN,
for *Secy. to the Govt. of India.*

No. 61. ORDER THEREON, 7th January 1873, No. 31.

RAILWAY, No. 11.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
,, Revenue Department.
Exd. S. T. Austin.

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