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Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultation

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 21st April 1857.

No. 41. Read the following letter *from Lieutenant General Sir M. CUBBON, K. C. B. Commissioner for the Government of the Territories of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George; dated Nundydroog, 4th April 1857, No. 5.*

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Forbes' letter of the 24th Ultimo, No. 281, requesting I would furnish Government with a Report from the Superintendent of the Bangalore Division as to the present state of the cultivation of New Granada paddy, and state whether any large quantity of the seed is procurable.

2. In reply, I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a *No. 1.* letter from Major Haines dated the 31st Ultimo on the subject, from which it will be seen that the endeavour to introduce the cultivation of New Granada paddy in the Mysore Territory has proved a failure.

From MAJOR G. HAINES, Superintendent of the Bangalore Division; to the Secretary to the Commissioner for the Government of the Territories of the Rajah of Mysore; dated Nundydroog 31st March 1857, No. 74.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt on the 28th Instant of the printed letter No. 281 of the 24th March 1857, from the Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George to the Commissioner, calling for a report from me of the present state of the cultivation of "New Granada Paddy."

I regret to state that the experiment has been a complete failure.

A quantity of new Granada Paddy seed (about a peck I should think) was handed over to me by Colonel Reid some time in the beginning of 1852, for the purpose of giving it a trial in the Bangalore Division. A party in Liverpool had consigned it to Colonel Reid with a recommendation that it should be tried in India; the peculiar properties of this Paddy being, that it might be grown on dry lands, that it required no irrigation, but that it would be brought to maturity by the periodical rains as ordinary dry crops are.

Colonel Reid, conceiving that the elevated table land about Bangalore, which is under the influence of both monsoons, would be a favorable place for trying the experiment, gave me the seed, as above stated, for that purpose.

The object being to test to the utmost the alleged properties of this paddy, I caused it to be sown on dry land, that is, on land which was ordinarily cultivated with dry crops. Of four different places where the seed was put down, it came up in one only; and in that $8\frac{1}{2}$ seers of seed yielded only $\frac{3}{4}$ seer of grain! In the following year, 1853, about $\frac{5}{16}$ of a seer was sown and yielded 2 seers of grain. In 1854, 1 seer yielded $2\frac{1}{2}$ seers; and in 1856 (none was sown in 1855) 2 seers of seed yielded 11 seers of grain! All that now remains is 12 seers, the produce of what came up in 1852. Besides the quantity of seed used under my own supervision, I gave some of the original seed to several Potails in the District, instructing them how and in what land to sow it: but I learnt afterwards that not a single seed germinated, I am inclined to think therefore that the seed was injured during the long sea voyage between this country and New Granada via Liverpool.

I have heard that in New Granada this Paddy comes to maturity in three months; but here the little that came up was invariably six months before it ripened, it is also said that a second crop, and not unfrequently even a third, is obtained from the sprouting of the stubble; from this I should infer that the climate of New Granada must at all seasons be a much moister one than that of Bangalore even during the moonsoon. I should think therefore that the climate of Pegu, or of the Western Ghats of India, during the moonsoon, would be more genial to this description of Paddy.

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The small quantity of seed I have is of fair quality, one Bangalore measure which is about equal to $\frac{2}{3}$ of a Madras measure, weighing Rupees 64.

No. 42. ORDER THEREON, *No. 364; dated 21st April 1857.*

Ordered that a copy of this letter together with one of the enclosure be communicated to the Board of Revenue for their information, with reference to their Secretary's letter 9th March 1857, No. 723.

A copy of Major Haines' letter will be forwarded to the Agri-Horticultural Society for their information.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Ordered in consequence that the following letter be despatched.

No. 43. *From H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George; to the Secretary to the Government of India; dated 21st April 1857, No. 365.*

SIR,

With reference to your letter of the 16th January last, No. 206, requesting this Government to despatch to Rangoon two hundred weight of New Granada seed paddy, required by Major Phayre; I have the honor, under the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, to forward copy of a communication from Major Haines, Superintendent of the Bangalore Division, to the Secretary to the Commissioner for the Government of the Mysore Territory, dated 31st March 1857, reporting that the experiment of the cultivation of the paddy in question has proved a complete failure, and to express the inability of this Government to supply the seed required by Major Phayre.

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No 5 Revenue Department Mysore Commissioners Office

From

The Commissioner for the Government
of the Territories of His Highness
the Rajah of Mysore

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of Fort St George

Dated Nundydroog 4th April 1857

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

Mr Cubbon
Commissioner

Bangalore
4th April 1857

To
The Chief Secretary to
the Government of
Fort St George

Read 21st April 1857
No. 359

Copy 21st March (5) No 31-32
& 6th February " No 32-33,

Reports of Horticultural Society of

To Chief Secretary to Govt
Fort St George

Dated 4th April 1857
Recd 9th "
No. 364. 21st "

Enclosed

Copy

Transmits Copy of
a letter from Major Adams
declining that the title=
-ation of the Agri-
-Horticultural Society
established at the Mysore
Territory has
proved a failure.

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Superintendent's Office
Bangalore 31st March 1857

From

Major G. F. Haines
Superintendent of the
Bangalore Division

To

The Secretary to the Commissioner
for the Government of the Territories
of the Rajah of Mysore
Bangalore

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I have the honor to be &c
(Signed) G. Haines
Superintendent
Bangalore Division

(True Copy)
(Sd)
H. Cubbon
Commissioner

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No 1
Enclosed in a letter from Commissioner of Mysore to the Chief Secretary to Govt. Fort St. George dated 1st April No 55
From Superintendent of Bangalore
No 3054/57
Dept. of Commissioner
of Mysore
Dated 31st March &c.

For reply to letter of the 28th ult. Secretary, and its enclosure, stating that the experiments of the Revd Br. Amador Seed
Agri. Horticultural Society

Rev. Department

No. 364

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 21st April 1857.

Read the following

letter from the Commissioner

of Mysore.

(Here enter 4th April 1857 No. 5)

Ordered that a

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with one of the enclosure

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Board of Revenue for

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reference to their Secretary's

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~~information~~

Ordered that the following

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To

The Secretary to the Govt of

India

(Here enter 21st April 1857 No. 364)

2 Copies to the Revenue Dept.

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Dec. Land Office
Dec 21st 1857.

Communication relating to the Register & the Receiver's Office at Chicago.

Transmitted herewith the copy of a letter from the Commissioner of Public Lands, intimating that the instructions to investigate allegations of fraud entered in the Chicago Land District, a copy of which is herewith transmitted.

Respectfully &c

Thos. Ewing

Secretary of the Interior.

Chicago Ill.

Dec. 15th 1857.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, dated the 10th inst. in relation to the charges of fraud in the Chicago District, and to request that you will cause the investigation directed by the Commissioner to be made.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Thos. Ewing

Secretary of the Interior.

Register & Receiver

Chicago Ill.

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Major ~~Haines~~ suggests that the grain might be sent in Pegu through [illegible] Why not ask him to send the seed that remains to Major Phayre?

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Fort St. George
21st April 1857

Revenue 1857 Dept.
Rec'd 21st April
No. 365.

To The Secretary to the Govt. of India.
Dated 21st April 1857.

Forwarding copy of a Commissariat Report from Major Evans to the Com. Gen. of Mysore Report on the Experiment of the Cultivation of the Indian Grain called Paddy, has proved a complete failure & expressing the inability of this Govt. to supply the seed required by Major Pearse.

Note 3.