No. 34. Read the following letter from J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 1st March 1860, No. 1,071 :—

The Collector of Malabar having stated that the wooden Press supplied to him by Government, through the Board, had proved almost useless from the effect of the damp atmosphere of the District on the wood-work, and having requested that it might be transferred to some other District, and another Iron Press, adapted for striking off demy size impressions, supplied to him instead of it, the Board instructed him to transfer his wooden Press to Kurnool, where such an instrument was required and would work better. This has been accordingly done, and the Board beg now to recommend that the Superintendent of the Fort Saint George Gazette Press be directed to supply Mr. Grant with an additional Iron Press in lieu thereof, of the kind specified by him, at as early a date as may be practicable.

No. 35. ORDER THEREON, 4th April 1860, No. 519.

This is an application for a second Iron Printing Press for the Office of the Collector of Malabar in lieu of the wooden Press formerly supplied which the Board of Revenue have instructed that Officer to transfer to Kurnool in consequence of its proved unadaptedness to the generally humid climate of the Western Coast.

2. The Superintendent of the Government Press will be directed accordingly to send the Collector of Malabar one of the two Iron Presses shortly expected* from England.

* *P. W. Order of this date, No.* 705.

3. Instead of sending the wooden Press all the way from Calicut to Kurnool, the Board will consider whether it will not be better to sell it on the spot and purchase another wooden one for Kurnool, at Madras or Bellary.

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