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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
21st September 1861.

Read the following :—

No. 196. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE THE PRESIDENT.

I went yesterday with Mr. McIvor over a part of the ground where it is proposed to make the large plantation of Cinchona, at the head of the Goodaloor Ghát leading down to Wainád. Nothing, as it appeared to me, was then wanting which could conduce to the success of the experiment; the climate moist, the soil good, the site sheltered from nearly every wind by the conformation of the ground. All that is necessary now is to set to work to clear away the forest, to trench and prepare the ground in time for the planting season next year. In order however to this, houses must be built for the men and for the Superintendent, and I fixed upon a convenient central site for these. It does not appear to me advisable to attempt to make use of the Bungalow at Nedivatam as a house for the Gardener or Superintendent; it is situated at some distance from the proposed plantation, is badly built, and very damp, and would cost a good deal to put it into thorough repair. It would be better to place the Superintendent in the midst of his men, in order to deprive him of any ground for stating that the experiment had failed in consequence of his enforced absence from the workmen, than for the sake of saving a few hundred Rupees to place him at a distance from his work. The Bungalow, however, should be put in thorough repair, for it will be wanted for those who may have to come up to the hills to inspect and report upon the success of the experiment, and for those who will naturally come, should it prove successful, to ascertain the system of management pursued by Mr. McIvor with a view to the introduction of similar plantations on their own property. The object of the Government being to cheapen the price of Quinine, not to make a profitable speculation, nothing that can facilitate the spread of the cultivation of the Cinchona plant should be neglected. Mr. McIvor should have, as soon as possible, the necessary authority to commence the erection of buildings for himself and the workmen, and the Chief Engineer should be directed to provide for the repair of the Bungalow.

11*th September* 1861. (Signed) W. T. DENISON.

No. 197. ORDER THEREON, 21st September 1861, No. 1,845.

1. Resolved that the Chief Engineer be requested to issue orders to have the Travellers' Bungalow at Nedivatam put into thorough order immediately.

2. The other points noticed in the Honorable the President's Memorandum have been already disposed of in Proceedings of Government dated 7th September 1861, No. 1,786.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

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I went yesterday with Mr Wilson over a part of the ground when it is proposed to make the large Plantation of Cinchona at the head of the Goodalore Ghaut leading down to Wynaad. Nothing as it appeared to me was then wanting which could conduce to the success of the Experiment - the Climate moist - the soil good, the site sheltered from nearly every wind by the configuration of the ground - all that is necessary now is to set to work to clear away the Jungle to trench and prepare the Ground in time for the planting season next year - in order however to this Houses must be built for the men, and for the Superintendent - and I fixed upon a convenient central site for them - It does not appear to me advisable to attempt to make use of the Bungalow at Kedreevettum as a house

for the Gardener or Superintendent - it is situated at some distance from the proposed Plantation is badly built and very damp - and would cost a good deal to put it into thorough repair - it would be better to place the Superintendent on the middle of this mountain in order to deprive him of any ground for stating that the experiment had failed in consequence of his enforced absence from the workmen - from the taking charge of more than five hundred Rupees a year would tempt him at a distance from his work - the Bungalow however should be put in thorough repair for it will be wanted for those who may have to come up for the Hills to inspect & report upon the result of the Experiment & for those who will no: doubtless come, should it prove successful, to ascertain the system & management pursued by Mr M'Ivor with a view to the introduction of similar Plantations on their own property - the object of the Govt being to cheapen the price of Quinine & make it profitable to make a profitable speculation, and to adopt those measures that can facilitate the spread of the cultivation of the Cinchona Plant should be reported - Mr M'Ivor should have as soon as possible the necessary Authority to commence the erection of buildings for himself & the workmen - and the Chief Engineer should be directed to provide for the repair of the Bungalow

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Memorandum as
to Cinchona Plantation
at Nedivattum

Rev 1861 Department
Pros: of Govt for Septr
No. 2190

Minute by the President

Dated 12th
Received 16th } September 61

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Considers that a place near
the head of the Grodalore
Ghaut is adapted for the
Cultivation of Cinchona
and proposes that a house
should be built for the
gardener and superinten-
dent there and also
that the travellers Bun-
galow at Nedivattum
should be repaired.

With an order.

No 1845. 21st Septr 61

No 1845

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immediately

2 The other points noticed in
the Honorable the President's Memoran-
-dum have been already disposed of
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