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Government of Madras.

*Revenue* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,  
7th October 1861.*

No. 84. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th September 1861, No. 4,904:—

Read the following letter from B. CUNLIFFE, Esq., Collector of Madras, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated Sydapet, 31st August 1861, No. 294.

SIR,

1. In forwarding copy of a letter to my address from Dr. Shortt, the Zillah Surgeon of Chingleput, I would recommend to the favorable consideration of the Board, his application to be permitted to hold, if he can procure them, 50 Cawnies of land, for the purpose of cultivating Cotton, to the growth of which he has directed his attention since 1857.

2. He would be left to procure the land himself from the Mirásidárs, and the ordinary Kaul rules of the District, if applicable, would be extended to it. His experiment would be valuable in a public view, for, should it prove remunerative, he will soon find competitors in the same pursuit, and the present hesitation on the part of the Ryots to engage in this culture would be overcome.

1. Ordered to be submitted for the decision of Government. Dr. Shortt has been so much interested in the question of Cotton culture and so successful in his experiments as shown formerly at the District Exhibition, that the Board have no hesitation in recommending to Government that the fullest encouragement be given to his present enterprise consistent with the necessity of its being conducted under conditions not more favorable than could be obtained by an ordinary Ryot, bearing the payment of assessment.

2. This need not be insisted on, though the item must be included in the eventual calculation of the results.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 85. ORDER THEREON, 7th October 1861, No. 1,934.

1. The Government are precluded from acting on the Board's recommendation by the orders contained in the Despatch of the Secretary of State to the Governor General, dated 24th July 1860, printed in G. O. 24th September 1860, No. 1,696.

2. The Board's attention is drawn to the erroneous spelling of the word Cowle in the Collector's letter.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

*Secretary to Government.*

No. 4,904.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Copy of Dr. Shortt's application.

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Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D., with Enclosure.

Copy to B. Cunliffe, Esq., Collector of Madras.

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Dated 10th September 1861.  
 Despatched, 19<sup>th</sup> 1861  
 Received, 20<sup>th</sup> 1861  
 E. I. O. S. Government

No. 4904.

Submitting with recommendation a letter  
 from the Collector of Madras forwarding the  
 application of Dr Shortt Zillah Surgeon of  
 Chingleput for permission to hold 50 kams of  
 land for cultivating cotton.

Matthews Esq.  
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 Simpson in a small place  
 like Chingleput cannot be  
 much occupied with his  
 public duties & he can have  
 no official influence - But  
 in Charles Brown's dispatch  
 of the 24 July 1860 up to 36 acres  
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