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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 5th February 1861.

No. 41. Read the following letter from Captain H. R. MORGAN, Officiating Conservator of Forests, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Salem, Camp Ossoor, 28th January 1861, No. 343:—

Sir,

1. With reference to Proceedings of Government No. 62, dated 15th January 1861, Public Department, I have the honor to offer the following suggestions:—

I. I do not consider it of any utility that Officers should select sites for the plants at present. Dr. Cleghorn, Mr. Markham and Dr. McPherson have (not in communication with each other) been engaged in selecting sites when there were no plants to plant out, and had there been any plants, it would, in my opinion, have been very injudicious to plant them out, until a strong growth had been secured by sheltering them for at least two years in a Green-house.

II. The plants and seeds should be made over to Mr. McIvor, who can easily rear them in the new Green-house lately erected, and where there is room for many thousands of plants.

III. I know of one situation at Ootacamund where the geology agrees with that described by Mr. Spruce as a yellow and red marl formed of decayed felspar with tinges of iron, and have no doubt others could be found. Ootacamund itself would be too cold for the red bark tree, but there are many places at Coonoor and Neddywuttum exactly suitable for this plant, and whose isothermal lines agree with those of the localities, where the red bark Cinchona is found.

2. I may mention that the Larch now so common in England was first brought from Italy and raised in a Green-house until it became acclimatized.

No. 42. ORDER THEREON, 5th February 1861, No. 271.

Order, 11th January 1861, *No.* 85.

The Government will await Dr. McPherson's report on the sites on the Neilgherry Hills and elsewhere suited to the Cinchona.

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

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