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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2324 Press Mis.

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Dated 31 - 10 - 19 1862.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 31st October 1862.

No. 407. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th October 1862:—

Read the following letter from P. GRANT, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Coimbatore, 20th October 1862, No. 220.

SIR,

1. I have received Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 7th instant, No. 6,709, sanctioning on the recommendation of my predecessor, Mr. Thomas, the holding of a District Agricultural, &c., Exhibition, here this (official) year. How under present circumstances an exhibition could either interest or encourage the people I cannot understand.

2. The year before last was very unfavorable in its character, and the past season has been worse, in fact, the characteristic of the population seems to me to be their poverty, how then can an exhibition be held with the least prospect of success? It seems almost unkind to ask the people to bring forward their produce for exhibition. Men, women, children, bullocks, horses and sheep have all been suffering more or less from want of water—this necessary of life has actually been sold as a marketable commodity in parts of the District—such being the case, I request a re-consideration of the order to hold an exhibition. I confess I should be sorry to see the attempt made to carry it out.

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1. Ordered to be submitted for the consideration and orders of Government.
2. Mr. Grant's opinion only supports the views which the Board have already expressed.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 408. ORDER THEREON, 31st October 1862, No. 2,324.

1. In the opinion of the late Collector of Coimbatore, the Exhibition held there in 1859, was productive of general interest and encouragement, and on his recommendation the Government were induced to sanction a renewal of the experiment. The present Collector now deprecates any such attempt; owing to a succession of unfavorable seasons, the people have been so impoverished that it would "seem almost unkind to ask them to bring forward their produce "for exhibition," and there is no prospect of such a measure being attended with success.

Proceedings 25th September 1862, No. 2,083.

2. Under this explanation the Governor in Council will not insist on a show being held in that District. The experiment therefore will be confined for the present year to Nellore and Tinnevelly.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

such a measure being attended

Revenue Department

No. 2324-

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 31st October 1862

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting for orders a letter from the Collector of Coimbatore informing that the present time is ill suited for holding an Exhibition in his District.

(Here enter 24th October 1862)

Proc^s. 25 Sept^r. 62, No. 2,003

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with success.

Under this Explanation the Govt in C. will not insist on a show being held in that ~~District~~ therefore the experiment will be confined for the present year to Selling Domestically.

DWB

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Hd Qrs Coll B of Rev Cash R Office
Public Depts

Copy in a Letter to England
Dy 21st December 1863 No. 137.

No. 270
18-3-62

No. 468-469
25-9-62

Revenue 1862 Deptt
Pro: of Govt for October

No 2324.

Pro: of the Madras Govt
Dy 31st October 1862:

Pro: Bd of Rev: submitting letter from the Collr of Coimbatore deprecating the attempt to hold an exhibition in that Distt during the present year, with orders thereon-

No 269 & 268-