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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 673

Press Mis.

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Dated 23 4 1862.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd April 1862.

No. 307. Read the following letter from Messrs. LINE & Co., to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 24th March 1862:—

Sir,

1. We have the honor to annex copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Cotton Supply Association, dated Manchester, 22nd January 1862.

2. It being the desire of the Association that the collection of Cotton samples forwarded should be exhibited in some public Museum or place of resort where they would prove useful, we have the honor to inform you that we shall be glad to place them at the disposal of the Government, for the purpose above-named.

3. Should further collections of sample be required for any of the Districts of this Presidency, we shall be happy to communicate the wishes of the Government to the Association.

4. We have forwarded sample packets of Middling New Orleans Cotton to several of the Cotton Districts, but if the Government would specify the Collectorates to which they would more particularly desire their transmission, we shall be glad to attend to their wishes.

From T. O. SUTTON, Esq., Interim Secretary, to Messrs. LINE & Co., dated Manchester, 22nd January 1862.

Dear Sirs,

1. Confirming my respects of the 8th instant, I beg to inform you that we propose to forward to you by the Calcutta Mail, which leaves on the commencement of next month, two packages of Cotton samples. One consists of Middling Orleans samples which are prepared with view to their distribution amongst cultivators and others who may learn from such tangible and ocular evidence far better than from any written description the kind of staple which is chiefly wanted here, and the level to which the quality of their own produce must rise if it is to hold its own in the British market against that from the Southern American States. The second packet contains specimens of the various kinds of Cotton usually consumed in this country with names attached, the value of each sample at Liverpool on December 18th you will see stated on a List forwarded herewith. It will be borne in mind that these prices are very greatly in advance of the average, as otherwise they would be calculated to mislead. For instance, Middling Orleans quoted at 10¾*d* would in an average of several years past be quoted about 6¼*d* per lb. This collection is made up for exhibition in some public Museum or place of resort where they would be likely to prove useful, perhaps you may be able to place them advantageously, and if more could be disposed of we should be happy to supply them.

2. The packet of Middling Orleans samples will shortly be followed by a much larger one. The Committee are extremely anxious to have these widely distributed; and on your kind co-operation in this matter they firmly rely; possibly if communicated with, your local Government might permit its Agents in the agricultural Districts to render assistance.

3. I may add that each sample of Middling Orleans has an explanatory Circular enclosed as well as a photographed sheet showing the length and price of various descriptions of staple; in some cases the enclosures may be of little use, but in many others we trust they may serve the intended purpose.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) LINE & CO.

LIST.

No. 1	Sea Island Cotton	worth 21*d*	per lb.
„ 2	Seaisland Sea Island Cotton	„ 12	„
„ 3	Egyptian Cotton	„ 13	„
„ 4	Pernambuco Cotton	„ 11½	„
„ 5	Fair Orleans Cotton	„ 11¼	„
„ 6	Middling Orleans Cotton	„ 10¼	„
„ 7	Broach Surat Cotton	„ 8	„
„ 8	Saw Ginned Surat Cotton	„ 7¼	„

18th December 1861.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd April 1862.

No. 308. ORDER THEREON, 23rd April 1862, No. 873.

1. Ordered that the Board of Revenue be requested to report the arrangements they would propose for the exhibition of these specimens of Cotton in the Provinces.

2. Messrs. Line & Co. are requested to send two sets of the specimens to the Officer in charge of the Madras Museum, who will place them where they will attract the attention of visitors, and be readily available for examination.

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

Madras 24th March 1862.

To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George.

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We have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servants

Revenue 1862 Oct 1st
Pro: of Gov.t for Cyprus.
No. 886.

From
Messrs Lane & Co.

Dated 24th March
Received 27th " 1862.

No. 873. 25 April
With Copy
Forwarding copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Cotton Supply Association, and stating that they will be glad to place at the disposal of Govt for the purpose of being placed in some public Museum or place of resort the Samples of Cotton forwarded by the Manchester Association.

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J. P. J.

Copy sent to Bd of Rev. Cyprus
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Officer in charge of the Museum

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