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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1002

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Dated

9-6-19-1863

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
9th June 1863.*

No. 145. Read the following letter from Dr. H. CLEGHORN, M. D., on special duty, Punjab, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated Dharmasalla, Punjab, 18th May 1863, No. 16 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 18th April 1863, No. 686, and beg to state that it will be my duty to procure and forward a further supply of Hop sets for trial on the Neilgherry Hills. At present the plants are in full leaf; the best time for transmitting the sets is the cold weather, in December or January, when the stems have died down.

2. I have seen this useful plant under trial at various points from Dehera Dhun to Hazara, thriving with various degrees of success. The best limit for its growth in North India appears to be from 4,000 to 5,000 feet above the sea; this may probably be equivalent to 6,000 feet on the Neilgherries. The Hop prefers a deep loamy soil, with a dry bottom; the plants ought to be put down 6 feet apart.

* Tallow tree of China.

3. I take this opportunity of sending* a packet of the seeds of the Chinese Tallow tree *Stillingia sebifera*, alluded to in Circular No. 97, of the Financial Commissioner, Punjab, and which grows freely in the Tea Districts. The plant is chiefly valued for the stearine and elaine contained in its fruit. The kernels yield 30 per cent. of oil suitable for lamps, and the refuse cake is much prized as a manure. The seeds ripen here in December and January, at which time a large quantity can be forwarded if required.

ORDER THEREON, 9th June 1863, No. 1,002.

No. 146.

1. Communicated to the Collector of Coimbatore.

2. The seed of the *Stillingia sebifera* will be sent, on receipt, to the Collector, who will consult Mr. McIvor as to the best place for trying it; some being given to private individuals inclined and able to try the experiment. Dr. Cleghorn will be requested to forward a further supply hereafter.

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

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From St. George
June 1853

J. D.

is taken by Rev. Dr. 10.
H. Cleghorn Esq. Mr. Dr.
Lafayette Esq. Plantation

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Pro. 18th April/63 & 1678/68

1863.

Revenue Depart.
Pro: of Govt. for June.
From W-1269.

H. (Leghorn) M.D.
on special duty Punjab.

Dated Dharmayalla 18 May

Received 1st June

Promises to send a further
supply of Hops in the
cold weather - and trans-
mits a packet of the
seed of Chinese Tallow
tree for trial in the
Hill districts.

N^o 145 & 146.

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with Order.