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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 30. 6. 19 1863

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 30th June 1863.

No. 437. Read the following letter from W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Chepauk, 9th June 1863, No. 3,379 :—

SIR,

1. With reference to paragraph 3 of Government Order, dated 12th February 1863, Revenue Department, No. 327, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to forward for the information and orders of Government the replies of the Collectors of Madura, Tinnevelly, Coimbatore and Salem to Board's Proceedings, dated 17th February 1863, calling upon them to report whether more Tea seed is required in their Districts for experimental cultivation.

2. The Collectors of Madura and Tinnevelly do not require any more of the seed at present. The Collectors of Coimbatore and Salem, and the Deputy Superintendent of Coorg ask for a further supply for distribution in their Districts, and the Board request that the application may be complied with. As much at least as was received on the last occasion, viz., 96 lbs., could probably be very usefully employed.

3. The report of the Collector of Malabar on the subject will be laid before Government when received.

4. With regard to the application* of Mr. Lewis, a Coffee planter on the Shervaroys, for information as to the mode of culture and manufacture of Tea, the Board direct me to suggest that the Supreme Government be asked to furnish this Government with any reports that may be extant on the subject of the method adopted for the cultivation and manipulation of the plant in the Deyrah Dhoon and Assam.

* Enclosure in No. 2,006 from Salem, 31st March in Cons, 8th April 1863.

No. 438. ORDER THEREON, 30th June 1863, No. 1,113.

1. Resolved accordingly that Dr. Cleghorn be requested, with reference to paragraph 6 of his letter, dated 27th January 1863, to forward to this Government a further supply of Tea seed.

2. The Government of India will be requested to supply a few copies of each of the publications noted in the margin, and of any other works on Tea for sale in this Presidency.

Papers on the Tea Factories and Plantations in Kumaon and Gurhwal.
Selections from the Records of the Government of India, Home Department, No. XXIII.
Selections from the Records of the Government of Bengal, No. XXXVII

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

Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

No. 439. From J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated 30th June 1863, No. 1,141 :—

SIR,

I am directed to request that you will send to this Government, with the permission of the Government of India, a few copies of each of the publications noted in the margin, and of any other works on Tea for sale in this Presidency. I am also to request information as to the price of each book.

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From V. H. LEVINGE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq, Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 4th March 1863, No. 45.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board dated the 17th ultimo, communicating the Order of Government of the 12th idem, No. 327, I have the honor to state that I do not at present require any additional Tea seeds. I shall make an experiment with the seeds already supplied me on the Palani Hills when I shortly go there. If they thrive well I will apply for more seeds.

Ed. J. Tulloch.

No. 1,808.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 27th March 1863.

Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Trichendoor, 23rd February 1863, No. 83 :—

In reply to paragraph 3 of the Order of Government dated 12th February 1863, No. 327, communicated to me by the Board on the 17th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I have received the Tea seed sent me, which shall be tried on the Hills in Tinnevelly, and that I do not require more seed at present.

Recorded.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly.

Exd. J. Wright.

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No.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 27th March 1863.

No. 1,808.

Recording letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly, informing that the Tea Seed sent by the Board has been received and that it shall be tried on the Hills in Tinnevelly and that no more Seed is required at present.

From the Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 31st March 1863, No. 50.

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 17th February last, conveying the Proceedings of Madras Government dated the 12th idem, No. 327, requesting certain Collectors to inform the Board whether they require more Tea seed, I have the honor to inform you that on the receipt of these Proceedings I requested the Planters on the Shevaroy Hills, to whom the Tea seed was distributed, to let me know whether they wished to have any more of the seed. Most of them expressed a wish to have a further supply.

2. I herein enclose copy of a letter received from Mr. Lewis, one of the Coffee Planters on the Shevaroy Hills, by which the Board will observe that the soil and climate of the Shevaroy Hills are well adapted for the cultivation of tea. The Planters are anxious to be furnished with information respecting the mode of culture and manufacture of tea.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From W. LEWIS, Esq., Coffee Planter, Shevaroy Hills, to Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector of Salem, dated 17th March 1863.

1. I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, and replying to the same permit me to avail myself of your kind offer by requesting to be favored with a further small supply of Tea seeds both for myself and my nephew Mr. J. Fox, who has just opened up a Coffee Plantation on the Hills, and would be glad to give it a trial on his ground.

2. The seeds will be sown in the course of next month immediately after the first falls of rain, and results duly communicated to you.

3. I take this opportunity likewise to state for your information that I have a very large sized tea tree now growing on my estate, standing to about 18 to 20 feet high, and planted some 20 years ago, being one out of a lot received from Assam by Mr. Cockburn, the then Collector of this station, and distributed among the planters. From the still vigorous and healthy appearance of this tree on which no care or pains have been bestowed, as well as from those raised by seeds by Mr. Fischer, in the culture of which that gentleman has so admirably succeeded, it is my firm belief that the soil and climate of the Shevaroy Hills is perfectly adapted and quite indigenous to the plant. But however suitable the climate may prove, the mere sowing and planting can never ensure success; our lack of knowledge in the art of curing the leaves for use utterly disqualifies us to take advantage of the bounties of nature in this respect; we must therefore make ourselves acquainted, and become familiar with the principles of this operation, before we could advance a step, or be prevailed upon to bring our capital and energies into exercise. Judging however from the very great interest now taken at Home for introducing this desideratum into British India, I am disposed to infer that the local Government on being respectfully solicited will readily afford us every facility for obtaining all the information needed on these important points, by placing within our reach works embodying a comprehensive summary of the most successful methods employed in the preparation of this article, and those at present engaged in its culture might be induced to commit to paper the result of their experience for the benefit of their less fortunate though perhaps not less diligent fellow-laborers. Such papers printed and published might be either distributed among the planters gratis, or sold at a low price, let me therefore earnestly entreat you will be pleased to use your influence with Government in obtaining for us this boon.

4. I make no apology to you, Sir, for this encroachment on your time and attention; the nature of the subject will I am sure offer one, being of such vital importance to the mercantile world at large, and the public in general. Once more therefore reiterating my request that the matter might be brought to the notice of Government aided with your countenance and support.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

From Captain R. N. TAYLOR, Deputy Superintendent Coorg District, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq , Sub-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd May 1863, No. 118.

With reference to your Official Memorandum of the 19th instant, I have the honor to state that more Tea seed is required for distribution in this District, and to request you will be so good as to forward to my address 20 lbs. of Tea seed at your earliest convenience.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

No. 3,379.

From W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
To J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

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* Enclosure in No. 2,005 from Salem 31st March in Cons. 8th April 1863.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

Secretary.

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
Chepauk,
9th June 1863.

Copy to Honorable D. Arbuthnott, Collector of Salem.
" to P. Grant, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore.
" to V. H. Levinge, Esq., Collector of Madura.
" to J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly.
" to G. A. Ballard, Esq., Collector of Malabar.
" to Captain R. N. Taylor, Deputy Superintendent of Coorg.

Ed. J. Wright.

Received Decr 1863

No. 11411

To

The Secretary to the Government of India
Home Department.

Sir,

I am directed to request
that you will
move the Secretary of State
to move the Secretary
to the Government of India
in the Revenue Department
to cause a Copy of each of the
Publications noted in the
margin hereof
to be forwarded to this Presidency
for the use of the Madras Revenue Board
and of any other works on Tea for
sale in this Presidency.

I have &c.
(Signed) H. Taylor
Secy to Govt
with Revenue Department

Ref. to Secretary
to Revenue Board
Fort St George
No. 1143 dated
30th June 1863

Fort St George
30th June 1863

Pro 12 July 1863 Nos 209 216

From Govt of India
No 31 dated 23 Inst No 20

From H Cleghorn on
Special duty
2 Dec 1863 No 3077.

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No. 1455

From the Secretary to the Board of Revenue
To the Secretary to Government, R. D.

Rec of the Bd of Rev 9/7
July 1863 Ltr No 1615

Dated 9th June 1863.
Despatched 19 " —
Received 20 " —
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No. 3,379.

Submitting for orders letters from the Collectors of Madura, Tinnevelly, Coimbatore, and Salem, respecting the Tea Seed required for experimental cultivation.

Mr Mayne Secy
With an order

Fort St George
30th June 1863

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Dr Cleghorn

Refers on Rec on
subject and Dr Cleghorn's
letter in Revenue
and Govt Secretariat.

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To

The Secretary to the
Govt of India
Home Dep.t

Dated 30 June 1863

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Requested to supply a
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Publications now on sale for
sale in this Presidency.

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