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No. 384. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th November 1863:—

Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Tinnevelly, 11th November 1863, No. 426.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward, for the information of the Board, copy of a communication from Captain Phipps, reporting on his first examination of the Pearl Banks this season.

From G. A. PHIPPS, Esq., Superintendent of Pearl Banks, to J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, dated Tuticorin, 31st October 1863, No. 68.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to inform you that I returned from making an examination of some of the Pearl Banks yesterday afternoon; I regret to say that the result is most unsatisfactory.

2. On Tuesday morning, I proceeded to the Velango Karoovel Par off Trichendoor; when last examined, this bank was covered with Oysters mixed with Sooram, and it is still in the same state; I anchored on the bank during the night, and early on Wednesday morning continued the examination, but with no better success; from this I steered some distance to the southward, but I found nothing, and in the afternoon returned to the north. On Thursday I examined the Tuticorin banks noted in the margin, but found them all covered with Sooram mixed with a few young Oysters; in the evening I anchored on the Vypar banks, and Friday morning examined them; these were covered with sea weed, under which the divers found young Oysters and Sooram.

Klattee Par.
Oottee Par.
Cruchau Par.
Cruchantondo Par.
Nagara Par.

3. From the Karria Par, the bank on which the young Oysters were deposited that were removed from Trichendoor in March last, the divers only brought up one Oyster of about two years old, probably one of those shifted, as there were no Oysters on the bank last year, the remainder are so covered with sea weed, and mixed with the Sooram, that they could not be found.

4. The Attonbado Par has this morning been examined, it was found to be thickly covered with young Oysters of a few months age, in one part Sooram was found, but not in a large quantity, a further examination will be made of it and of the neighbouring banks during the next few days.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. SILVER, *Collector.*

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1. Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government.

2. The Collector is requested to state what progress has been made with the formation of the nursery.

No. 385. ORDER THEREON, 30th November 1863, No. 2,152.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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