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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 24th December 1863.

Read the following papers:—

No. 414. From Dr. H. CLEGHORN, M. D., on Special Duty, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated Lahore, 2nd December 1863, No. 123.

SIR,

1. I duly received the Proceedings of Madras Government No. 1,143 of 30th June, and No. 1,290 of 14th July with orders for the despatch of a further supply of Tea seed. The enclosed Extracts of correspondence with Dr. Jameson will show you that immediate action w as taken on these orders, and I hope that both Tea seeds and Hop sets will shortly arrive in Madras.

2. The demand for Tea seed is very great, and owing to hail storms when the plants were in flower, the supply of seed at Holta this season is smaller than usual. Observing that in several instances, the seed has not germinated, I would suggest that Tea Planters apply direct to the Superintendent Botanic Garden, Saharanpore, naming an Agent in Calcutta, to whom their parcels may be consigned. The carriage will cost a little more, but time will be gained, and the seed sown in a more favorable condition, and with a better hope of germinating.

3. A small sample of the Tea prepared by the men deputed by Dr. Jameson to the Neilgherry Hills, might with advantage be forwarded for inspection, in order that its quality may be examined, and any suggestions made which seem advisable. At the approaching Punjab Exhibition (January 1864) samples of Tea prepared in all parts of India will be compared and tested.

4. It will be observed that Dr. Jameson is engaged in preparing "a Guide to Tea Planters" which is approaching completion; the Madras Government might perhaps subscribe for a few copies.

From Dr. H. CLEGHORN, M. D., on Special Duty, to W. JAMESON, Esq., Surgeon Major, Superintendent Botanical Gardens, Saharanpore, dated Simla, 7th August 1863, No. 76.

SIR,

1. I beg to enclose Proceedings of Madras Government, 30th June and 14th July, with Orders Nos. 1,143 and 1,290, requesting me to arrange with you for the despatch of a further and larger supply of Tea seed.

2. I also transfer a letter from Dr. Hunter, Secretary Agri-Horticultural Society, Madras, on the same subject, soliciting the despatch of 4 Cwts. of fresh Tea seed for distribution to members of that Society. Will you try to meet their wishes.

3. In addition, I have several communications from Planters in South India, asking for seed and information as to the mode of culture.

4. The transmission and preserving of the seed seems to demand great care and attention. Would you advise the despatch of numerous small packets by banghy, or should Dr. Hunter's portion be sent in a box with earth.

EXTRACT.

Kumaon, 20th August 1863.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 76, dated 7th instant, with enclosures.

2. As soon as the Tea seeds are ripe, 4 Cwts. packed in charcoal will be transmitted to Dr. Hunter. To the Secretary, Revenue Board, a supply of Tea seeds will also be sent.

3. The "Guide to Tea Planters" will, I trust, soon be published. The work will form a Royal 8vo. volume, and be furnished with numerous illustrations, and sold at about Rupees 10 per copy.

(Signed) WM. JAMESON, *Surgeon Major.*

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 24th December 1863.

Lahore, 23rd November 1863.

SIR,

1. With reference to my letter dated Simla, 7th August, enclosing Proceedings of Madras Government, I have the honor to request that you will also despatch 500 Hop sets to the Secretary to Government, Madras.

2. The Madras Government desires that you will have the goodness to transmit to them a larger supply of Tea seed than that of last year. I am aware that the demand is great on every side, but I hope you will be able to meet this requisition, as this new culture is rapidly extending in South India.

(Signed) H. CLEGHORN, M. D.

No. 415. ORDER THEREON, 24th December 1863, No. 2,372.

1. Communicated to the Board of Revenue, with reference to the Proceedings of Government 30th June and 14th July 1863, Nos. 1,143 and 1,290.

2. Paragraph 3 will be communicated to Mr. Ouchterlony (on behalf of Mr. Mann) and to Mr. Rae, through the Collector of Coimbatore, who will be desired to obtain from those gentlemen, such samples of their Tea as they may be willing to send to the Calcutta Exhibition and to forward the same to this Office without delay for transmission to Dr. Cleghorn.

3. Dr. Cleghorn will be informed that this Government will take 50 copies of the work mentioned in paragraph 4.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
Editor's Table.
To the Collector of Coimbatore.
To Dr. H. Cleghorn.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Service Telegram.

From Lahore
Dr. Cleghorn.

To Madras
Revenue Secy. to Govt.

Have arranged for the immediate despatch of tea seeds and Hops. Dec: 2nd

Lahore
3 December 1863.

True Copy
H. Cleghorn M.D.

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From H. Cleghorn M.D
on special Duty

To J.st Sim Esq
Secy to Govt
Madras

Dated 2 Decr
Received 15th

No 123.

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Explains the steps taken by him for procuring a supply of fresh Teasseds and Hopseeds in accordance with Proc.s Govt. Nos 1143 of 30th June and 1249 of 14th July, and encloses Ext. of correspondence with Mr Dancer Supt. Botanical Gardens at Saharunpore.

No 2372. 24 Decr.

W. Elliott

Pro 30 June / 63 Nos 437-439
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Commenced to
the Secretary to Govt
Madras
Dated 12th Dec 1863
Received 14th Dec 1863
No 2372.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you for the information of Government a letter from Mr Dancer Superintendent of the Botanical Gardens at Saharunpore, dated 12th ultimo, with its enclosures, on the subject of the introduction of Hop and Tea seeds into the Madras Presidency.

2. Mr Dancer's letter explains the steps taken by him for procuring a supply of fresh Teaseeds and Hopseeds in accordance with Proceedings of Government Nos 1143 of 30th June and 1249 of 14th July 1863.

3. I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to lay the accompanying papers before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

I have &c.

H. Cleghorn
on special duty

Edward Sim Esq
Secy to Govt
Madras