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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
25th February 1863.*

No. 361. Read the following letter from J. OUCHTERLONY, Esq., to J. D. SIM, Esq.,
Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 16th February 1863:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extracts Minutes of Consultation of the 5th and 12th instant.

2. I have directed the Superintendent of the Tea plantation at Coonoor to build a comfortable hut immediately for the Tea Manipulators, whose arrival I shall be glad to see, as crop picking is now commencing.

3. I observe that "Hop sets" are being brought down for the purpose of experiment. May I take the liberty of mentioning that in a former year the climate of Kotagherry was tried for this, and with eminent success in the early growth of the plants. That it had no result was owing to an interference (during the absence of the cultivator) on the part of one who professed to be practically acquainted with the growth of the Hop, and had every plant removed under the run of a water-course, when they rotted, and the roots were dug up and thrown away by an ignorant Native gardener. If the Government should wish to try an experiment again at Kotagherry with any of the present "sets," I doubt not that either Mr. Cockburn or Lieutenant-Colonel Cooper—both resident there and well qualified to conduct it—would undertake the task.

ORDER THEREON, 25th February 1863, No. 405.

No. 362.

1. The Tea Manipulators left Madras for the Neilgherries on the 18th instant.

2. The Hop sets have already been sent to Mr. McIvor for trial at Coonoor as recommended by Dr. Cleghorn. The Collector is requested to ascertain whether Mr. Cockburn or Colonel Cooper are desirous of trying to grow the Hop plant, as in that case the Government will apply for a further supply for them as well as for any other gentlemen who may be willing and able to give the experiment a fair trial.

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

First St. George
25th July 1893

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J. Oughteronly Esq
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Dated 16th Feb
 Received 19th 1863.

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Intimates that he
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 to be sent to him, and
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 regarding the cultivation of
 Poplars in Keshmerry.

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