

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 727

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
27th April 1863.*

No. 249. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th March 1863:—
Read the following letter from A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to
W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George,
dated on circuit at Royachoty, 16th March 1863, No. 32.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd February 1863,
No. 1,074, I have the honor to state that the improved machinery mentioned in Dr. Forbes' report
has not been introduced into this District, but that if procured by Government, and moderate in
cost, I think it is likely to be purchased by the Ryots.

2. My reason for this opinion is founded on the fact that the Ryots of the Cotton Talooks
last year were prepared to purchase fifty Cottage four Saw Gins at Rupees 25 each, if they were
proved not to have injured the commercial value of Cotton cleaned by them. Having shown the
five-fold saving of time and labor, by the Saw Gin, to the Ryots, they were ready to adopt the
improvement, but I learned that a large quantity of Cotton cleaned by one of the Saw Gins was
reported by the Chamber of Commerce to have been damaged in fibre, and to have had the seed
ground into it.

3. There were a few, some four or five, small Cottage (four Saw) Gins sent to this District
from Darwar about thirteen or fifteen years ago, the same objection was taken to them then, that
they cut the Cotton. Although very neat in construction, I found that the Saws were liable to
alter their bearings, and the seed Cotton placed in the hoppers required constant attention, other-
wise it got clogged, and the Saws then cut the fibre and seed.

4. The Roller principle is free from these accidents, and any
improvement of the Churka* which, in its present state, is one of the
rudest and most inefficient instruments in use, would be much appre-
ciated by the people.

5. As to the machinery for cleaning Cotton in use in this District, I know of none but the
Churka, its cost may be about 8 Annas; any kind of Cotton might be cleaned by it if time and
labor were no object. It occupies the same position to the improved machinery for Cotton
cleaning that the flail does to the threshing machine.

6. I think that if the Roller Gin could be supplied at a cost not exceeding Rupees 50 each,
and capable of being worked by one man, it would be extensively applied for. If the cost be
Rupees 100 or upwards, and more labor required, then fewer are likely to be taken, and these
will be purchased by rich Ryots, and a charge made to others for their use. It is impossible to
state how many would be taken without a knowledge of the cost. I should expect fifty to be
taken at Rupees 50, but only ten if the price exceeds Rupees 100. There are only three Talooks
in which they would be much required. If the price exceeds Rupees 200, I would not advise
more than three to be indented for at first.

1. Ordered to be submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated
14th March 1863, No. 1,542.

2. The Board would suggest that a further supply of two dozen of the improved Churka
be obtained from Bombay, to allow of specimens being supplied to every District in which a
demand is likely to arise.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL, Sub-Secretary.

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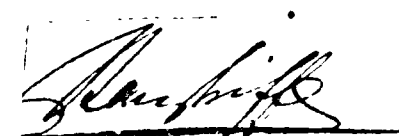
ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1863, No. 727.

Vide letter from Secretary to
Government of Bombay, dated
4th March 1863, No. 699.

The Government will pass final orders on these Proceedings
after the specimen Gins and the information as to their price &c.,
expected from Dr. G. S. Forbes are received.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.



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Cuddapah Collr's Office
On Circuit at Rayachoti
16th March 1863.

Sham B. B.
/Sd/- S. Madderburn
Collector

Ordered to be submitted to Govern-
ment in continuation of Board's Proceedings dated
14th March 1863 No 1542.

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/A true Copy & Extract/

M. A. Hall
Sub Secretary

To
J. P. Sim Esq
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

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