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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 3rd June 1863.

No. 34. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd May 1863, No. 3,054:—

Read the following letter from A. PURVIS, Esq., Collector of the Godavery District, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 27th April 1863, No. 86.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Miscellaneous Circular No. XVI, dated 11th ultimo, and to report that inquiries have led to the discovery of the existence, in some parts of this District, of an insect which it is believed destroys the Prickly-pear.

2. The Sub-Magistrate of Pittapur sent in two branches of the plant with the insects on them. The appearance of the plant is exactly that described by the Native Civil Servant referred to in Colonel Balmain's letter to Government quoted in the above Circular. The branches have been placed in a Prickly-pear bush just at hand, and I will report the result of the experiment.

3. I have been given to understand that Mr. G. N. Taylor, when Sub-Collector of this District, was successful in his endeavours to destroy the plant by means of an insect obtained by him, and I myself recollect a large Prickly-pear hedge round the Travellers' Bungalow at Maviladuravu in the Nellore District, being destroyed by an insect brought and let loose, according to the Bungalow Sepoy's account, by some gentleman travelling.

Submitted for the information of Government. The Board believe that the insect will be very generally found in all the Districts. They will be glad to receive Mr. Purvis' further report on his experiment.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 35. ORDER THEREON, 3rd June 1863, No. 946.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

No. 3,054.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 22nd May 1863.

Read the following letter from A. PURVIS, Esq., Collector of the Godavery District, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 27th April 1863, No. 86:—

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Miscellaneous Circular No. XVI, dated 11th ultimo, and to report that inquiries have led to the discovery of the existence, in some parts of this District, of an insect which it is believed destroys the prickly pear.

2. The Sub-Magistrate of Pittapur sent in two branches of the plant with the insects on them. The appearance of the plant is exactly that described by the Native Civil Servant referred to in Colonel Balmain's letter to Government quoted in the above Circular. The branches have been placed in a prickly pear bush just at hand, and I will report the result of the experiment.

3. I have been given to understand that Mr. G. N. Taylor, when Sub-Collector of this District, was successful in his endeavours to destroy the plant by means of an insect obtained by him, and I myself recollect a large prickly pear hedge round the Travellers' Bungalow at Maviladuravu in the Nellore District being destroyed by an insect brought and let loose, according to the Bungalow Sepoy's account, by some gentleman travelling.

Submitted for the information of Government. The Board believe that the insect will be very generally found in all the Districts. They will be glad to receive Mr. Purvis' further report on his experiment.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to H. Morris, Esq., Acting Collector of the Godavery District.

Exd. J. Wright.

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No. 1240.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 22nd *May* 1863.
Despatched. 27th —
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No. 3,054.

Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of the Godavery District reporting the result of his enquiries respecting the insect which destroys the prickly pear.

Re 946.

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2d: Rec 3d June 1863.

No 34 & 35.

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