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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Dated 29-1- ~~19~~ 1864	

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 29th January 1864.

No. 316. Read the following letter from W. G. McIVOR, Esq., Superintendent Government Chinchona Plantations, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 12th December 1863, No. 113:—

SIR,

1. With reference to the Order of Government of the 30th ultimo, No. 2,162, I have the honor to inform you that I shall be happy to undertake the formation of a small Tea plantation, as Tea will shortly be extensively planted on the Neilgherries and a supply of good and fresh seeds will prove a great desiderata to planters, and no doubt facilitate the cultivation of this valuable shrub. Nurseries might also be formed, and young plants supplied at a reasonable price.

2. I would respectfully suggest, that the Tea plantation be formed on the second Dodabetta Chinchona site, as the land is well adapted for the growth of Tea; and as the operations can be conducted in connection with the Chinchona cultivation, the plantation can be established at a smaller cost than elsewhere.

3. It is apparent from the London sales, that the Assam variety of Tea is considered the best, it is therefore desirable that a large quantity of the seeds of this species be introduced. We have already a few plants of this variety in the garden, in habit it is very different to the China Tea, and seems well suited to this climate.

No. 317. ORDER THEREON, 29th January 1864, No. 162.

1. Resolved that Mr. McIvor be directed to make the necessary preparations for commencing the Tea plantation on the site alluded to in paragraph 2 of this letter. Any small expenditure that may be incurred during the next three months may be debited to the savings in the provision made in the Budget for 1863-64 for the Chinchona plantations. The planting of 5 Acres will suffice for the present.

2. Application has already been made to Dr. Cleghorn for the seed.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintendent Government Chinchona Plantations.
„ Acting Accountant General.
„ Acting Civil Paymaster.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Mr. McIvor
Actg. Asst. Genl. Asst. Civil Paymr.

Genl. Mr. Gauntlett
29 Sept 1864

Copy to Lieut. Genl. Chin. Plantations Deputy Ins. Genl. Civil Paymasters

Pro. 30th November 63 St. 204-205

Pro. of Govr for Cape. 1863.
No. 3049.
From
The Superintendent
Govt Plantns
&
The Secretary to Govt
of Madras

No 773
Dated 1st December 1863
Read. 14th "

Offers to undertake the
formation of a Sea plantation
suggests the formation of
the same on the Pedda Colla
& Chinchena Islds.

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