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No. 403. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th July 1865, No. 4,040.

Read the following letter from Æ. R. McDONELL, Esq., Collector of Trichinopoly, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 21st June 1865, No. 118 :—

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2. Almost the whole quantity of this seed sown perished in the ground. In only one exceptional case, *i. e.*, in a small piece of land measuring 12 Gulies, the crop has grown a span high and looks healthy, and in certain other localities the crop is said to have been, in its infancy only, hopelessly checked by drought. Several Ryots in the Kuluttalai, Perumbalur, and Trichinopoly Talooks have reserved, for cultivation during a more favorable season, a portion of the seed given to them.

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5. The experiment was on the whole a failure, and this circumstance is attributable chiefly to want of rain and consequent drought.

Submitted for the information of Government.

No. 404. ORDER THEREON, 22nd July 1865, No. 1,701.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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R A Dalyell

Acting Secretary.

To W. Hudleston, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.
,, A. Hunter, Esq., Honorary Secretary, Agri-Horticultural Society.
,, Æ. R. McDonell, Esq., Collector of Trichinopoly.

Exd: J. Wright.

Rev. 1865. Department

Proceedings for July

No. 1971.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 14*th July* 1865.

No. 4,040.

Submitting for information of Government letter from Collector of Trichinopoly reporting result of the cultivation of different descriptions of foreign cotton seed forwarded by Board in 1863 and 1864.

W. 1701.

RECORDED.

22nd July 1865.