

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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3rd February 1865.*

No. 61. Read the following letter from R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Sub-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 24th November 1864, No. 7,650:—

1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request further instructions from Government in regard to the distribution of the Agricultural implements received from England.

2. In the Order of Government noted in the margin, His Excellency in Council was pleased to direct that two complete sets of implements should be made up and placed in charge of a small establishment, to be employed

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in itinerating throughout the country, and exhibiting the implements in each District through which they passed. The Board were also requested to report as to the establishment required for this purpose.

3. I am now directed to state that, in the Board's opinion, there would be great difficulty in finding fit persons to be entrusted with an experiment of the description intended, and that such a plan must involve considerable delay, if, as the Board conceive, the implements could be exhibited in one District only, during each cultivating season. They would therefore suggest, if the implements are to be conveyed from District to District, that a complete set should be made up and placed under the charge of Mr. Barwell, that he may exhibit them with the Steam Plough on its arrival, if the exhibition of the plough through the country is found practicable.

4. On the whole, however, the Board would prefer to distribute at once to the Collectors most likely to take an interest in the subject, a few of the more simple of the implements for exhibition during the present cultivating season, and in their Settlement tours for the present revenue year. The Board also think it very desirable that a complete set of the implements should be retained for exhibition at Madras, for several of the implements are very easily deranged, the management of some is somewhat difficult, and at Madras only is skilled labor always available, whether for the exhibition, or the repair of such implements.

5. The question of the establishment of a model farm at Sydapet is still under consideration, and this has somewhat delayed the disposal of the Government Order now under reply; but in any case, the Board think it as well that a good selection of implements should be kept at head quarters, and placed under the charge of Mr. Fane, the Collector of Madras, who takes the greatest interest in the present experiment. By this arrangement the implements would always be available for exhibition on special occasions in any of the adjoining Districts; as for instance, at the Nellore Agricultural exhibition in January next.

6. I am therefore directed to request the permission of Government to retain at Madras the articles noted in the margin. The Board would also retain for the present the Rice Hulling Machines without power, which it was proposed to send to Tanjore and to Nellore or Tinnevely.

7. The Hulling Machine with power, or as it has been termed the Water-mill, has been transferred without unpacking to the Department Public Works. The Board recommend that this Machine be sent to the Kistna District where the same facilities exist for working it as in the Godavery District, and there is less risk of interfering with private enterprise.

8. The set to be retained for Mr. Barwell would be composed of the implements shewn in

1 Threshing Machine with horse power.	2 Dwarf Ploughs.
1 Raking and Reaping Machine.	2 High Beam Ploughs.
1 Dressing Machine for hand power.	2 Iron Ploughs.
1 American Plough.	2 Hand Drag Rakes.
2 Horse Hoes.	1 Chain Harrow.
1 Frame Harrow.	1 Chaff Cutter.
	3 Scythes.
	1 Grubber.

the margin; and, should Government think fit, the three machines which it is proposed to retain at Madras might be added to the list, but for the reason before given the Board would

prefer at once to distribute all the articles entered in this list to the several Collectorates.

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9. The Board further desire me to request permission to place at the disposal of the Collector of South Arcot, for immediate exhibition by Mr. Keess of that District, one of the High Beam Ploughs. Mr. Keess has taken up a large tract of waste land, and the Collector is most anxious to avail himself of this opportunity for exhibiting to the Ryots of the neighbourhood the advantages obtained by using this superior description of Agricultural implement.

10. The Government have directed that a Plough, Horse Hoe, and three Scythes should be sent to Mr. Thomas, the Sub-Collector of Salem, and as the Government are aware Colonel Thompson has lately applied for, and obtained the Threshing Machine and extras received with the first batch of implements.

11. Deducting the articles referred to in the five preceding paragraphs of this letter from the total number of implements as yet received by the Board, there will still remain five ploughs of all descriptions, six Horse Hoes, two Grubbers, and twenty-four Scythes. The Board would beg permission to make an immediate distribution of these implements to the Collectors of the Districts noted in the margin.

Vizagapatam.
Godavery.
Nellore.
Kurnool.
Cuddapah.

Coimbatore.
South Canara.
Tanjore.
Madura.

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ORDER THEREON, 3rd February 1865, No. 207.

Miscellaneous.

1. On further consideration the Government concur with the Board that a complete set of the Agricultural Implements received from England should be kept at Madras at the Collector's Office.

Notice of this arrangement should be published in the "Fort Saint George Gazette" and in the Gazettes of the different Districts, so that persons visiting Madras may be aware of it and may inspect the implements.

2. One set will be reserved, as originally proposed, for exhibition with the Steam Plough.

3. The Government approve of the Rice Hulling Machine being sent to the Kistna District, where there is ample water-power.

4. The Board can send a plough to South Arcot, as proposed in paragraph 9.

5. Before distributing the other implements mentioned in paragraph 11. of the Board's Proceedings, the Government wish to have a revised list of all the implements received up to date and expected, with a Memorandum of those already disposed of.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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