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No. 567. Read the following letter from Captain W. A. KERR, V. C., care of Messrs. J. A. BROWN & Co., Bombay, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated Bombay, 10th November 1866:—

1. I am anxious to start an extensive horse, cattle, and sheep-breeding farm on the Pulney Hills, and have the honor to request information regarding the occupancy of land in that district.

2. As my operations will be on an extensive scale, I shall require at least four thousand acres of arable land, and am desirous of securing the grazing rights over a large tract. I understand that the present price of forest land is Rupees 10 per Imperial acre, and Rupees 5 for cleared land. The tract I shall require for grazing will be so extensive that to purchase it outright at these rates would cripple my means, and hamper me in stocking the farm properly. The stock will come from England and Queensland, and be therefore very expensive. I should like to purchase the arable land outright, paying twenty per cent. the first year, and the rest in instalments extending over five years; Government, till paid in full, having a lien on the property. The grazing rights, if granted, will, I trust, be sufficiently low to enable my using them. As the outlay in starting the scheme will be very considerable, its ultimate success will depend much on the land being secured on favorable terms.

3. I purpose breeding from English and Arab blood mares; Shorthorn, Devon, and Ayrshire cattle; Down and Lincoln sheep; the Angora goat; and the Berkshire and Hampshire hog. As the introduction of such stock, and I guarantee that it shall be of the first quality, may eventually be of great benefit to the country, I trust that I may receive the kind support of Lord Napier's Government, and that I may be put in possession of such lands as I require on favorable terms.

4. May I request the favor of your bringing my scheme before His Lordship for his favorable consideration.

5. My experience of India extends over seventeen years, the last four of which have been spent in agricultural pursuits, and I am prepared to bring sufficient capital to carry it out as it should be.

No. 568. ORDER THEREON, 23rd November 1866, No. 3,208.

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(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

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From Capt.
William A. Kerr
V. C. Care of Messrs.
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Bombay.

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No. 3208. 23rd Nov.

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Will order &c.

Ro 18th February 1867 No. 364. &c.

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