

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th February 1866.*

No. 503. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th February 1866.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Madras, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 5th February 1866, No. 39 :—

1. With reference to the Orders of the Government of 16th January 1866, No. 119, I have the honor to inform you that the Steam Plough was duly set to work on the Race Course Thursday morning. The machinery seems to be complete in every respect; but the ground was much too hard for the ploughs to be worked at all, and even for the scarifiers to be worked with any satisfactory result.

2. I would, therefore, advise that the plough should be laid aside till the next monsoon, or until rain sufficient to soften the ground falls; working it in the present state of the ground would only lead to the destruction of the ploughshares, and the points of the scarifiers, and will be no criterion of the real use of the plough. Exhibiting it is quite out of the question.

3. I would suggest that Mr. Barwell be instructed to put it into thorough order before laying it up, and put also the other machinery into order, and so arrange that the winnowing machines may winnow raggy and other small grains, and the threshing machines thresh also raggy as well as cholam and cumboo. Mr. Barwell's services might after that be dispensed with, as I imagine that the services of the East Indian Engineer now in charge of the Steam Plough could be obtained at any future time when it should be found possible to work the plough. An early answer is requested.

Submitted for the orders of Government, with the Board's recommendation that the plough be laid up as proposed till the season is favorable for using it, and that Mr. Barwell be directed to place himself under the orders of the Sydapet Farm Committee, if as the Board believe to be the case, his engagement to Government has still a considerable time to run. The Committee could employ him very usefully on the Farm, and probably effect a reduction in the cost of their present Establishment.

No. 504. ORDER THEREON, 26th February 1866, No. 518.

Miscellaneous.

The Steam Plough will accordingly be deposited at the Sydapet Farm until it is required again. Mr. Barwell will, for the present, be placed at the disposal of the Farm Committee, in order that he may duly adjust the Winnowing and other machines there, as well as set up the machinery just received from England. As soon as this duty is performed the Government will pass orders regarding his future employment.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Farm Committee.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

The Steam Wrench will
 accordingly be de-
 -posited at the Lydeport
 until it is repaired
 again. Mr. Barwell
 will for the present
 be placed at the dis-
 -posal of the Foreman
 in order that he may
 look after the Machinery
 & other machines there, as
 well as set up the Ma-
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 England. As soon as the

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S. D. S.

26th July, '66.

14 Folke Road, Queen's Quay
to the Finance Committee
to the Accountant General

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Submitting letter from
the Collr. of Madras; and
recommending that the Steam
Plough be laid up as
proposed till the season
is more favorable for
using it, and that Mr.
Barwell be directed to
place himself under the
orders of the Sydapet
Farm Committee -
With order

N. 573 & 504.