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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd August 1867.

No. 468. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th August 1867, No. 5,322.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 18th July 1867, No. 170 :—

1. With reference to the Board's Miscellaneous Circular No. CLIV., (Board No. 7,368,) of the 17th November 1865, anent Doctor Forbes' new Lever Cotton Press, I have the honor to state that the instrument was first given to Damodara Sait, a merchant of this place, in view to its being worked. He, however, did nothing with it. I then requested Mr. R. Stanes here to test its usefulness. A copy of his letter is enclosed, from which it will be seen that he does not speak of the Press in very favorable terms. The Machine is said to be very cumbersome, clumsy, and slow in working.

2. Its defects, however, seem to arise more from faulty construction, than anything else.

From R. STANES, Esq., to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated 8th April 1867.

1. In reply to your letter of the 4th instant, I have the honor to inform you that previous to your letter of 16th February 1867, giving me charge of the Dharwar Cotton Press, I had given the Machine a trial.

2. I am sorry I cannot report favorably on the experiment.

3. The Press is so very cumbersome and clumsy, and exceedingly slow in its operations, that it would not pay me to make use of it. With the greatest effort I could not half press more than 10 candies cotton a day, and at an expense which would be no saving in the end.

4. The principle is, I consider, *good*; but the Machine is so clumsily made and fitted, that I should say full half the power is lost.

5. I have no doubt a Press carefully fitted on the same principle might be found very efficient.

1. Resolved that the foregoing letter be submitted for the information of Government, with reference to their Order, dated 24th October 1865, No. 2,604.

2. The Machine is described as clumsy in its construction, and (probably on that account) slow in its working.

3. The Board have been given to understand that a Machine of this kind is in use at the Sydapet Farm for pressing hay; and has not been found to work efficiently.

No. 469. ORDER THEREON, 23rd August 1867, No. 1,979.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. H. WILKINSON,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

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Submitting to Government letter from Collector of Coimbatore reporting unfavorably of Doctor Forbes's new Lever Cotton Press.

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