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

No. 371. Read the following letter from the Honorary Secretary to the Farm Committee, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 17th September 1867:—

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, of 8th March 1867, No. 578, requiring a report on the working of the Steam Plough.

2. I am desired by the Committee to state that they exceedingly regret they have been as yet unable, for various reasons, to make trial of the plough at the Farm. It was intended that an exhibition should have taken place at the Farm last January, at which the plough was to have been tried, but, from unforeseen causes, the exhibition was postponed. Even had it taken place, there would have been considerable difficulty in trying the plough in any of the Farm fields, which are even yet not in a sufficiently clean state—freedom from roots, stones, &c., to allow the plough to be used.

3. The Committee hope, however, that after the fields have been again thoroughly cultivated this season, that these obstacles will have been cleared away, and that next year they may be able to try the plough properly, and determine whether it is really suited to the requirements of this country.

4. In the meantime they propose to make use of the engine attached to the plough, by working with it a rice-huller, a bone crusher, and a powerful bucket pump, in order that they may ascertain whether human, bullock, or steam power, is the most economical and suitable for raising water in India.

No. 372. ORDER THEREON, 23rd September 1867, No. 2,222.

Miscellaneous. Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Honorary Secretary to the Farm Committee.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

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From
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Farm Committee

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Requesting that
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