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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
24th June 1868.*

No. 559. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th June 1868, No. 4,353 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Bellary, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Camp at Anantapur, 21st May 1868, No. 117.

With reference to Circular Memorandum of the Board of Revenue, No. 1,170, dated 12th November 1867, I have the honor to forward translations of two communications, received from the Tahsildar of Bellary, on the cultivation of the Carolina paddy, from which it will be perceived that, owing to the seed having been more or less damaged in transitu, the result was not very successful.

Report of the Tahsildar of Bellary on the cultivation of the Carolina paddy, No. 176, dated 23rd October 1867.

States that the Deputy Tahsildar of Sirgoopah reports, on the 4th instant, that the Carolina paddy, sown in the village of Sirgoopah, sprung up to a height of half a yard, and is flourishing.

The village authorities of Rupanagoody report, on the 15th idem, that the crop was tinged with red, but that after a shower of rain, this tinge was washed away, and that the crop is half a yard in height.

The village authorities of Linganhully report that the crop is flourishing.

The crop at Bellary sprung to a height of five or six inches, and that after deducting the decayed portion, the stalk was still a span high.

From the Tahsildar of Bellary.

With reference to the order on pages 101 and 246 of the District Gazette of 1866, directing that experiments may be made with the Carolina paddy, and requesting reports, from time to time, as to the state of the crop, and a final report on the growth, etc., of the paddy to be submitted with a specimen of the grain, I beg to report as follows :—

SIRGOOPAH.—Name of ryot Eeramadyvalapa ; number of the field 14 ; extent 3 guntahs ; quantity sown one seer.

RUPANAGOODY.—Ryot's name Reddy Logapah ; number of field 36 ; extent 63 square yards ; quantity sown half a seer.

LINGANHULLY.—Name of ryot Hopoor Sooba Row ; number of field 3 ; square yards 90 ; quantity sown three-eighths of a seer.

BELLARY.—Sakir Kardapah ; number of field 30 ; extent 3 guntahs ; quantity sown one seer.

I had already reported, in my Arzis No. 159, dated 23rd September 1867, and No. 176, dated 23rd October 1867, on the cultivation of the Carolina paddy-seed. The result of the harvest is as below :—

	Outturn.	Quantity retained for seed.
Bellary...	4 Seers.	1 Seer.
Rupanagoody ...	8 "	2 "
Linganhully ...	3 "	1 "
Sirgoopah ...	3 "	0 "
	18 "	4 "

Of the four seers retained as seed, I forward quarter of a seer as a specimen.

It appears that the experiment was tried at Sirgoopah by the Deputy Tahsildar, but that the outturn was, as the Reddy reports, left with the ryot, who inadvertently mixed it up with other kinds of paddy.

From the outturn of the four villages, and from the report submitted from time to time, and from personal inspection, I am of opinion that the experiment was a failure owing to the following reasons : the seed was placed in a bag so that the husk becoming united peeled off from the grain, and the points were broken off.

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According to the practice in this country, the crop was irrigated plentifully ; but I remember reading somewhere that it should be watered sparingly. In future experiments with this seed, I shall direct that a portion may be watered weekly, a portion bi-weekly, and some portion daily, and the result will be reported.

(True translation.)

(Signed) H. E. SULLIVAN,
Collector.

Submitted for the information of Government.

No. 560.

ORDER THEREON, 24th June 1868, No. 1,773.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Farm Committee.
,, the Agri-Horticultural Society.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Dated 12th June 1868.

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Submitting letter from Collector of Bellary forwarding papers on the unsuccessful result of the cultivation of the Carolina paddy.

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