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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
30th January 1868.*

No. 519. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Military Department :—

Passing orders on letter from Quarter Master }
General, reporting failure in the cultivation } (Here enter 24th January 1868, No. 315.)
of Bael trees at Trichinopoly.

No. 520. ORDER THEREON, 30th January 1868, No. 256.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of
Revenue, Conservator of Forests, and
Agri-Horticultural Society.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue,
„ the Officiating Conservator of Forests, } With Procs. Military Department, No. 315.
„ the Agri-Horticultural Society,

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :— (JUSTICE 5011)
From the Quarter Master General, Fort Saint George, 8th January 1868, No. 153;
to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Adverting to the Order of Government under which the sum of Rupees 228 was authorised as the annual expenditure for the cultivation of 300 Bael trees at Trichinopoly, I have the honor, by

Pro. of Govt., No. 4077, dated 22nd December 1863.

desire of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to enclose a report by the Brigade Major at that station, which shows that

Letter No. 161, dated 19th November 1867. the climate is not favorable to the growth of the plants.

2. On reference to the Conservator of Forests, Captain Beddome suggested that—"The dryness of the climate is probably the cause of the death of the plants; but the roots of some of the plants lately dead, or in a dying state, should be carefully examined, as it is possible that they may have been killed by the larva of some insects." Upon this, the roots of several plants were carefully examined, and only one appeared to have suffered from the effects of white ants, the others had not been touched.

3. Pending the orders of Government, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief has directed that no further expense be incurred for the cultivation of the Bael tree at Trichinopoly after the 31st December 1867.

4. Officers Commanding all the other stations, at which an annual allowance has been given, have been called upon to furnish a report of the success of the experiment up to the present time, which will be submitted to Government in due course.

From the Brigade Major, Trichinopoly, 19th November 1867, No. 161; to the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Southern Division, Trichinopoly.

I have the honor to bring to your notice that the Bael trees at this station [are not in that flourishing and fresh state that I should wish to see them.

Out of 329 trees planted, 64 have died within the last year, although all due care has been taken, and water supplied daily.

Every tree was planted out in a large pit filled with good manure, and soil. At first the trees appeared to flourish very well, but latterly many have sickened and died, and I cannot discover the cause.

The following is the average height of the trees :—

79...	... 8 inches.	8...	... 8 feet.	Planted out between 1864 and 1867, most of the trees very weedy.
40...	... 3 feet.	12...	... 9 "	
28...	... 4 "	20...	... 10 "	
28...	... 5 "	12...	... 12 "	
14...	... 6 "	9...	... 13 "	
12...	... 7 "	3...	... 15 "	

I would, therefore, suggest that the attempt to cultivate the trees in the cantonment be discontinued from 31st January 1868, as I do not consider Government will ever derive any advantage from the experiment; the climate of this station not being favorable for their growth.

ORDER, No. 315, 24th January 1868.

The order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, directing the discontinuance of the cultivation of Bael trees at Trichinopoly, is approved.

2. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council regrets to learn that the cultivation of the trees at that station has proved a failure.

(True Extract.)

W. C. Smith Major,

Offg. Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General, with an enclosure.

„ Controller of Military Accounts.

„ Revenue Department. *With 20 spare copies*

„ Inspector General Indian Medical Department.

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