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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No. 202. Read the following letter from Major F. APPLGATH, Second in Command and Wing Officer, 33rd Regiment, N. I., to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Vizianagrum, 12th March 1868.

1. I have the honor in continuation of my report dated 24th February 1868, and, for the information of Government, beg to state that I have this day received authentic information that Mr. Charles Oldham has within the last few days discovered coal in the Kurnool district at Cumbum, in rocks similar to those mentioned by me in the Kistna district, and with reference to Professor Oldham's report dated 12th February 1868, paragraphs 3, 5 and 7, where he states that the rocks I pointed out to him on the Kistna could not produce coal, but were similar to those well known in the Kurnool and Cuddapah districts. I would, therefore, respectfully suggest that if there is coal in Kurnool there is coal on the Kistna district.

2. For the last two years Mr. C. Oldham's head-quarters have been in the Cuddapah and Kurnool districts, and I am anxious to point out that immediately after visiting the Kistna rocks pointed out by me, he has succeeded in finding coal in the Kurnool district after a slight excavation of six feet beneath the surface of the ground.

No. 203. ORDER THEREON, 8th April 1868, No. 944.

Miscellaneous.

It appears from a letter addressed by Mr. Charles Oldham to the Editor of the "Madras Athenæum and Daily News" on the 25th March last, and contained in the issue of that paper of the 1st instant, that Major Applegath has been misinformed as to the discovery of coal by Mr. Charles Oldham. Further action on the part of Government is therefore uncalled for.

(True Extract).

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To Major F. Applegath.
„ the Superintendent of the Geological Survey of India.
„ the Board of Revenue.

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To Major Applegarth
Staff Corps.

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