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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
20*th April* 1869.

No. 429. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th March 1869, No. 1,471 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Bellary, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 6th February 1869, No. 22.

With reference to the Order of Government, No. 248, Revenue Department, dated 28th ultimo, on Major Beddome's letter, regarding the formation of Railway Fuel Plantations in this and the Cuddapah District, I have the honor to state that the compensation to be paid for the small plots of Inam and Puttah land in the large block near Gooty has already been settled, and I shall advise the Officiating Conservator of Forests that his department can take possession at once. I am confident that the experiment in this locality will prove successful.

2. Adverting to paragraph 5 of Major Beddome's letter, and paragraph 2 of the Order of Government thereon, past experience has shown me that no success is likely to attend any planting carried on in the manner proposed. I have tried the experiment in several parts of this district, including the talooks of Aloor and Adony referred to, and the result was almost a total failure. The Aloor Tahsildar could not get the seed to germinate, though the same batch did so freely in a plantation under my own immediate supervision ; whilst the Adony Tahsildar handed over the seed sent to him to a Reddy, promising him a Rupee for every tree reared. With this experience I have found it advisable to concentrate the expenditure of the Jungle Conservancy Funds on plantations which can be personally supervised either by myself or one of my Covenanted Assistants. I have a very flourishing one, about eight miles from Bellary, close to the line of Railway on the banks of the Huggry river, and, being within a morning's ride, I can look after it myself. This I propose to extend every year. Eleven acres were planted last year, and the trees (Casuarinas) are doing very well. Twelve more acres have just been planted, and I have arranged to take up fifty acres more before the south-west monsoon. I think money will be better laid out in gradually extending this plantation than in desultory planting in other parts of the district without proper supervision.

3. Under the foregoing explanation, I hope that the Board will recommend to Government a modification of that portion of the Order quoted which is contained in paragraph 2.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. Under the circumstances explained by the Collector, the Board support his recommendation that planting should, for the present, be confined to the locality where operations are now being carried on under the personal supervision of himself and his divisional Officers. The Collector will report what arrangements he has made for planting under the supervision of the latter.

No. 430. Order thereon, 20th April 1869, No. 1,076.

Forests, No. 9.

The Collector's proposals are approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Acting Conservator of Forests.
Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Rev.ue Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 20th April 1869-

Read the following

Proceedings of the Board of

Revenue.

Recommending to Govt. that formation of Railway fuel plantations in Bellary District, should be confined, for present, to locality where operations are now being carried on under personal supervision of Coll.r & his Divisional Officers

(R.C. 5th March 1869 № 1471)

The Collectors proposals are approved.

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 1, 17-076.

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G. O. 20th A, 1869, No. 1,076.

LETTER.

Nos. 523-529.

Railway fuel plantations in Bellary Dis-

trict.—Proposal to form them under the superv-

sion of the Collector and his Divisional Offic-

as proposed.