

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
15th July 1871.*

No. 189. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce—Agriculture and Horticulture, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 4th July 1871, No. 36 :—

I AM directed to forward for the information of His Excellency the Governor Gardens at Saharunpore on the transmission of timber-trees and flowering shrubs from England in hermetically sealed cases.

2. The plan seems to the Governor-General in Council one that certainly deserves further trial, and that might not improbably be generally adopted with advantage.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Extract, paragraph 14, of a letter from the Superintendent of the Botanical Gardens, North-Western Provinces, to the Secretary to the Government of the North-Western Provinces, dated 20th April 1871, No. 393.

Timber-trees and flowering shrubs.—By Dr. Forbes-Watson three tin cases, filled with timber-trees and flowering shrubs, and hermetically sealed, were forwarded from the India Office per Pattern Post. Many of the plants were in excellent order, and are now in a most thriving condition. This mode of transmitting plants is highly novel, and well worthy of being tried on an extensive scale with the finer kinds of flowering shrubs. But the cases ought to be forwarded from England in December, January, and not later, and the stems of the young plants ought not to be less than two-eighths of an inch in diameter. Lead numbers ought to be attached to the plants to correspond with the numbers on the invoices. In the cases there were parchment labels, but most of them were destroyed by the moisture and heat.

(True Extract.)

A. B. WILSON,
Officiating Superintendent.

No. 190. ORDER THEREON, 15th July 1871, No. 1,232.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Conservator of Forests, Commissioner of the Nilgiris, and Committee of the Madras Agri-Horticultural Society.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Conservator of Forests.
„ the Commissioner of the Nilgiris.
„ the Committee of the Madras Agri-Horticultural Society.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

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