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Proceedings of the Madras G[overnment], Revenue Department,
30th Sep[tember] 1872.

No. 185. Read the following [letter] from the Government of India, Departm[ent of Agriculture, Revenue, and Com]merce (Agriculture and Ho[rticulture,) dated Simla, 18th September] 1872, No. 404 :—

Read the following letter from the Officia[ting Junior Secretary to the Government] of Bengal, (General Departmen[t of Industry and Science,) to the Under-] Secretary to the Government [of India, Department of Agriculture,] Revenue, and Commerce, dated [Calcutta, 30th August 1872, No. 3,091.

With reference to your communicati[on No. 271, dated 4th July 1872, I am] directed to inform you that this Governm[ent is not as yet in a position to comply] with the request to supply Ipecacuanha p[lants to the Government of Madras.

2. I am also directed to forward f[or your information the accompanying] copy of an extract from a letter No. 3[64, dated 9th August 1872, from the] Officiating Superintendent of the Botanica[l Gardens, Calcutta, containing a report] on the cultivation of the Ipecacuanha plan[t in the Sikkim Terai.

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Enclosure No. 1.

Extract of a letter from the Officiating Superintendent, Royal Botanic Garden, Calcutta, to the Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bengal, dated Royal Botanic Garden, Calcutta, 9th August 1872, No. 364.

I have the honour to inform you that the experimental nursery of Ipecacuanha at Sookner in the Sikkim Terai was only commenced some six weeks ago, and that it would be as yet premature to submit an opinion as to its ultimate success in that part of the terai. Towards the close of the year, or at the completion of the rainy season's growth, a detailed report of the condition of the plants will be submitted. In the meantime, I may say that the plants are fairly established and apparently taking very kindly to their new quarters.

2. The propagation of the Ipecacuanha is being very successfully continued in the nurseries at Rungbee, and the young stock is most thriving. This is well shown by the fact that the leaves of the Ipecacuanha in its native habitats are, as a rule, from *three* to *four* inches long by one to two broad, whereas the less severely cut plants in the Rungbee nurseries have leaves from *five* to *six* and occasionally *seven* inches long by *two* to *three and-a-half* broad. There thus cannot be a doubt but the conditions of growth and increase are being successfully afforded these plants in the Rungbee nurseries."

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. EASTON,
Head Assistant, General Department.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras with reference to Mr. Acting Under-Secretary Galton's letter No. 937, dated the 13th June last, and with the remark that the Government of India hopes to be able to supply Ipecacuanha plants during next year.

(By Order.)

(Signed) J. GEOGHEGAN,
Under-Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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No. 186. ORDER THEREO *ptember 1872, No. 1,365.*

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igned) W. HUDLESTON,
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Sd. J. Easton

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Under Secretary to the Government of India

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From
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Dept. of Agri. & C.

Dated 15th Sept.
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No 104.

Communicating copy of a letter
from the Govt. of Bengal on the
subject of supplying the Madras
Govt. with Ipecacuanha plants

Ans.

No. 1365.

Govt. of the Bombay
Presidency.