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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 8th December 1873, No. 2,500.

Read the following letter from Surgeon-Major G. BIDIE, M.B., Superintendent of the Government Central Museum, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 24th November 1873, No. 200:—

I HAVE the honour, with reference to their Proceedings, No. 2,281, of the 10th November 1873, to submit the following remarks for the information of the Board.

2. *Jute*, as indicated in the Board's Proceedings, is obtained from two plants of the same genus, viz., *Corchorus capsularis* and *Corchorus olitorius*. Of the former of these we have no example in the Museum, but of the latter there is a specimen in the herbarium presented by Sir Walter Elliot. The label, which is in his own hand-writing, intimates that the specimen was found wild in fields near Waltair and that the plant is rare. The native names of *Corchorus olitorius* are Poonauckoo cheddy, *Tam.*, and Parinta koora, *Tel.* I regret that I cannot give the native names of *C. capsularis*.

3. There is a species of *Corchorus*, not unlike the *C. olitorius*, a common wild plant in Madras, and of this I will send a specimen to the Board in a few days, so soon as it can be dried and mounted. No practical use, so far as I know, is made of this species.

4. The native names of the Sunn-Hemp (*Crotolaria juncea*) are Janappa or Vuckoo nar, *Tam.*, and Janoomoo, *Tel.*

5. Should the Board desire it, and if they will give the order, a lithograph of the *C. olitorius* might be produced at the Government Lithographic Press, and I will be glad to superintend its execution.

COMMUNICATED to all Collectors with reference to Board's Proceedings, dated 11th September and 27th November 1873, Nos. 1,802 and 2,425.

2. The Board have had the photograph of *C. capsularis* and *C. olitorius* sent by the Government of India reproduced, and they do not think a lithograph is required at present. They are much obliged to Dr. Bidie for the information he has given.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Acting Sub-Secretary.

To all Collectors.
,, the Superintendent of the Government Central Museum.
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
,, to the Superintendent of Government Farms.
,, to the Honorary Secretary, Agri-Horticultural Society.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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PROCEEDINGS, 8TH DECEMBER 1873, No. 2,500.

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Jute Plant.—Letter from Superintendent, Government Central Museum, furnishing certain information regarding—, communicated to all Collectors. Opinion expressed to Superintendent that a lithograph of the plant is not required at present. No 97

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