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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th April 1874.*

No. 106. Read the following Endorsement of the Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, dated 15th April 1874:—

Read the following letter from T. VANSTAVERN, Esq., Executive Engineer,
Public Works Department, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Chief
Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Bedanayole, 29th March 1874.

I ENCLOSE you copies of two letters received from the Agriculture and Revenue
Department, Calcutta.

2. The sample I sent to you was part of the one sent to Calcutta to Colonel
Rundall, who handed it over to the Agriculture Department. It was just in its
rough state without having been hackled and cleaned, and still it is considered fine,
soft, and of good colour. There is no doubt, if this plant was cultivated, it could
be vastly improved both in texture and weight.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From C. J. LYALL, Esq., Under-Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Agri-
culture, Revenue, and Commerce, (Fibre and Silk,) to T. VANSTAVERN, Esq., Exe-
cutive Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Calcutta, 16th March 1874.

In continuation of my letter of the 9th January last, I have much pleasure in sending you
the accompanying copy of a report by a manufacturer, to whom it was sent for that purpose, on the
commercial value of the specimen of the fibre of the *Sida acuta*, "Buema," forwarded with
your letter of the 9th December 1873.

Sida acuta, like sample submitted, would not be worth more than the current value of
middling quality jute, say £3. 12s. to £4. 4s. per ton at present. It is clean and strong, but short
in length, and would make a good deal of tow in working. These remarks apply to it as a material
for spinning or other jute purposes; but the fact is, it is not known as an article of commerce, and,
if fairly introduced on the market, it is possible that, owing to its fineness, softness, and bright
colour, it might command a higher price for some purposes than jute.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) T. VANSTAVERN,
Executive Engineer, P.W.D.

TRANSFERRED to the Revenue Department, with reference to the order in that
department, No. 281, dated 2nd March 1874.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

No. 107. ORDER THEREON, 17th April 1874, No. 456.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintend-
ent Government Museum, in continua-
tion of G. O., 2nd March 1874, No. 281.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent Government Museum.

.. the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Dep't. of Agriculture,
Revenue & Commerce,
Calcutta dated 16 March '74

to Silk

My dear Sir

In continuation of my letter
of the 9th Inst. last. I have much
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specimen of the fibre of the
"Sida Acuta", Ruema, forward
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Govt. of 1874

REVENUE.

THE SUPERINTENDENT GOVERN-

MENT MUSEUM.

Secy. to Govt.

Dated April 17th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 17th April 1874, No. 456.

APRIL.

Nos. 106-107.

Fibre of the "Sida Acuta" sent by Mr.
Kendall to the Department of Agriculture,
Revenue, and Commerce, Calcutta. - Communi-
cated to Superintendent Government Museum, in
continuation of previous papers, letter from Mr.
Vansayern forwarding copies of report on the
specimens of the -

the 9th Dec^r 1873.

Yours faithfully.

(Signed) C. J. Lyall.

To
Wanstam &

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fute -

Wm Coppy & J. O'Connor
(Liquors) Respectfully

(True Copies)

Wanstam &

E. & S. P. & S. -

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29th March 74

Dear Sir

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Yours most obedt. servt.

W. H. H. H.

E. E. H. H.

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Col. J. Walker R. S.

Chief Eng. H. H. H.

W. H. H. H.

Transferred to the
Revenue Dept^{ts} with re-
ference to the order in
that Dept^{ts} No 281
dated 2nd March 1874.

Cannan Coll^{rs}.
Secretary to Govt
P.W. Dept^{ts}

15th April 1874-

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21st P.W. Dept^{ts}

Dep^{ts} to Coll^{rs} 13 April 74

Rev^{rs} 1874. Dept^{ts}

From No 1195.

J. Vanstaveem Esq^r
Esq^r Eng^r P.W.D.
Bedamwood

thru Public Works Dept^{ts}

dated 29 March
no. 16 April } 1874

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Forwarding copies of
letters received from the Dept^{ts}
of Agriculture Rev^{rs} & Commerce
on the subject of the specimens
of fibre sent by him to
be tested

No 456

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Suppl^y for Museum.
in continuation of S.O
2 March 1874 No 281.

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