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No. 549. Read the following letter from the Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bengal, (General,) to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, 8th August 1867, No. 3,460 :—

* No. 45, dated 26th ultimo.

1. I am directed to forward the accompanying copy of a letter* from the Superintendent Royal Botanical Gardens, Calcutta, and in charge of Chinchona cultivation in Bengal, and to request that His Excellency the Governor of Madras may be moved to issue instructions, in view to a compliance, as far as possible, with Dr. Anderson's application for various species of Chinchona plants which have not yet been added to the plantations under his charge.

2. I am to request also that attention may be given to Dr. Anderson's instructions regarding the despatch of the plants, and the care necessary to be observed.

From T. ANDERSON, Esq., M. D., Superintendent Royal Botanical Gardens, and in charge of Chinchona cultivation in Bengal, to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, dated Botanical Gardens, 26th July 1867, No. 45.

1. I have the honor to request that application may be made to the Government of Madras for a few plants of the following species and varieties of Chinchona which do not exist in the plantations under my charge :—

1st.—For twenty-five plants of *Chinchona lancifolia*. This species was introduced by me from Java in 1861, and the three plants I brought of it were made over to Mr. McIvor, the Superintendent of the Chinchona cultivation in Madras.

2nd.—For twenty-five plants of C. Officinalis, *i. e.*, the variety of which one plant was presented to the Madras Government by Mr. Howard under the name C. Uritusinga.

3rd.—For twenty-five plants of C. Officinalis var Crispa. The seeds of this variety were collected by Mr. Cross in South America, but no seeds were supplied to me, the distribution of them was confined to the Madras and Ceylon plantations.

2. I have asked for twenty-five plants of each of these varieties, as twenty-five is about the number of plants that will fill one Wardian case. I would strongly recommend that only three cases should be sent, and that each case may be devoted to plants of one variety only. I am aware that one or two if not all of these varieties have produced seed in the Ootacamund plantations, but I am very desirous to obtain plants that have been propagated artificially, so that there may be no risk of my obtaining plants which may be crosses with nearly allied varieties existing in the Neilgherry plantations.

3. The transmission of these plants to Calcutta will be easily arranged for by the Master Attendant at Madras. The cases should be sent from Madras by the P. and O. Company's Steamer, and they should reach Madras about three or four days before the sailing of the vessel.

4. While in Madras the cases should be kept in the shade but not in the dark, and on board the steamer they should be placed on deck and under the awning.

No. 550. ORDER THEREON, 28th August 1867, No. 2,022.

Miscellaneous.

1. Communicated, together with the enclosure, to the Officiating Superintendent of the Chinchona Plantations, with instructions to prepare the three cases of Chinchona plants applied for by Dr. Anderson, and forward them, duly addressed to that Officer, in proper time to the Master Attendant at Madras, who will arrange for their transmission to Calcutta by the P. and O. Company's Steamer. The Master Attendant

will see that Dr. Anderson's instructions in the last paragraph of his letter are attended to.

2. Intimation of the despatch, and of the receipt of the cases should be made to this Office by the Officiating Superintendent and Master Attendant, respectively.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Superintendent, Chinchona Plantations,
" the Master Attendant.

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Communicated, together with the enclosure, to the Offg. Supt. of the Chinchona Plantations, with instructions to prepare the three cases of Chinchona plants applied for by Dr. Anderson and forward them, duly addressed to that Officer in proper time to the Master Attendant at Madras, who will arrange for their transmission to Calcutta by the Peninsular Company's steamer. The Master Attendant will see that Dr. Anderson's instructions in the last para of his letter are attended to.

Intimation of the despatch and of the receipt of the cases should be made to this office by the Officiating Supt. and Master Attendant respectively.

1 Offg Supt Chinchona Plants
3 Master Attendant

28th August 1867