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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th March 1867.

No. 141. Read the following letter from the Honorary Secretary Agri-Horticultural Society, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 18th February 1867, No. 105:—

1. I have the honor, by order, to bring to the special notice of the Government, the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 9,007, dated 21st December 1833, embodying a very interesting letter from the Collector of Ganjam on the experimental cultivation of Carolina paddy in his district.

2. The Committee are anxious to direct the attention of the Government particularly to paragraph 2 of Mr. Forbes's letter, describing the experiment of Mr. Lyons, in which the paddy was sown in red soil on a rising ground, and grown and matured like a dry grain crop solely under the influence of a copious monsoon. The usual system of transplanting was necessarily not adopted, and the crop was cut three months and twenty-three days after sowing, when the straw was found to be about four feet long, and the return of paddy about ten-fold.

3. This experiment appears to the Committee a highly suggestive one, and they beg strongly to recommend that it should, during the coming south-west monsoon, be repeated in several places in Malabar and Canara, as it would be a great boon to many districts of the country, with a heavy rain-fall, if so valuable a variety of rice as the Carolina paddy should be found to answer as a dry grain crop; other kinds of rice at present cultivated without irrigation, and known as *hill rice* or Juddun, being all of very inferior quality.

No. 142. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1867, No. 573.

Miscellaneous.

1. Communicated to the Board of Revenue, who will direct the attention of the Collectors of South Canara and Malabar to the subject, and furnish them with a supply of the seed when available.

2. The Government are under the impression that the Carolina paddy has been already tried in those districts, and they are aware that a valuable species of rice is grown in the former district under monsoon irrigation, and largely exported under the designation of "Muscatti" rice.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Honorary Secretary Agri-Horticultural Society.

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& the Ketch of Francis & Thom-
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Bringing to special
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last probably a very interesting
letter from Benjamin Blyn on the Ex-
perimental Cultivation of Cochi-
neal in his Dist— and recommend-
ing that the experiment may be re-
peated during the coming fall. Insects
seen in several places in Malvales
and S. Guiana.

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