From Whom	S. TOMLINSON
Place	Singapore
Date	14th October, 1916

OFFERS FOR SALE LAND ADJOINING
THE ECONOMIC GARDEN.

Former Papers.

MINUTES.

Final Paper.

① Mr. Tomlinson's letter with a plan

The sale price works out at \$2635.75

Although it would be nice to possess the whole of the fairly good land in the hollow, Mr. Tomlinson's would only put us into possession of one half and in two separate parts, and we have not funds to develop the whole of the area that we have.

① Letter to Mr. Tomlinson dated 14.10.16 saying Committee is unlikely to purchase, but will be informed of his offer.

Plan returned.

C.L.R.

The Committee wish
me to ask you the
value of the land
offered by Mr. Tomlinson.

It is the land in
the hollow north of the
junction of Harrison &
Salvey roads.

It asked a year ago
\$2635 approximated
for 175,717 square feet.

It would be good land
for vegetable growing -

Thy friend

20.10.17.

value of the land.

The rent obtainable from
table planters would not exceed
an acre and at 10 years purchase
value would therefore be about
\$100 an acre. A Chinaman of course
who would rear pigs and fowls as
well as plant vegetables would probably
give up to about \$250 an acre which
I regard as the market value
for agricultural purposes.

I should however be very
doubtful of a community's purchase
there is a long road from the
boundary of the land and as soon
as the building sites on the opposite
side of the road are occupied there
will be a demand that the
road should be made up to
municipal requirements for which
as a prototype the owner of the land
will have to contribute heavily. In
addition there ~~will~~ would no doubt
be a demand that it should be
declared a sanitary ground or
to prevent its becoming a breeding place
for mosquitoes.

Yrs
27.10.17

Committee.

I have thanked Mr. Tomlinson
I expect that you would be
advised to proceed. Thy friend

Yrs W.E.D. 1/11/17
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S. TOMLINSON, M. INST. C. E.
CIVIL ENGINEER, ARCHITECT,
SURVEYOR & VALUER.

TELEPHONE No. 300.

100-2, Robinson Road,

SINGAPORE. S. S.

Received.....

Answered.....

24th October 1916.

J. H. Burkill Esq.,

Director of Gardens S.S.

T A N G L I N.

Dear Sir,

I beg to enclose a tracing shewing land, hatched red,
of the Dalvey Estate lying between the boundary on the Economic
Gardens and the first estate road and to enquire if your committee
would be disposed to purchase it. The price asked is about $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents
per square foot.

Yours faithfully,

S. Tomlinson

M. Inst. C. E.

115.307 ft in no. 996 the top
60.410 - piece between 95' & 95'.
175.717
87.858.5
263,575.5

asking \$263,575 for the
two pieces of ground -

ECONOMIC GARDEN.

NASSIM RD.

DALVEY ROAD

996

not for
dip

done
black

Replied Committee
last week to
look to buy it

B 2.15/2

14. x 1. 2/16

No Minutes should be written on this page. A separate half-sheet
to be used if required.

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From Sept. 16, 1919, a gang of ten men taken from the Economic Garden coolies, was put on the work of digging, new coolies being recruited to bring the gang to a number of 30 men by the second week of October.

The first work was slow owing to the stiff soil and the scarcity of rain during the month of Sept.. matters improved after Sept. 25, when rain 2.70 in. fell and rendered the work much easier.

Ragi :----- This plot was ~~then~~ taken in hand first. The bottom terraces much less infested with lalang were made ready for seed beds. The plot ~~is~~ received twelve carts of manure. ~~It~~

Crop: The plot has given up till now. Lbs. 200, most of which was sold to car coolies, @ 7 cts a lb.; but latterly they refrained from buying it as they had no querns to grind the seed. Javanese complained of its being a coarse food and at the same time constipating one.

Rotation: Ragi is being rotated with Lima bean (*Phaseolus lunatus*) sword bean (*canavalia ensiformis*), sweet potato and celous. ~~x~~The late sown terraces are still under crop and will be reaped by the end of March.

Date of sowing seed.	Date of transplanting.	Date of harvest.
26/9/19; 20/10/19;	27-30/10 and 1-3/11/19 .	14, 22/12/19 and
10/11/1919.	18, 23, 31/12 and 2, 3/1/20.	3, 13, 23, 29/1/20;
		5, 7, 11, /2/20.

SWEET POTATO:-----Three var. (1) yellow (2) white (3) red were planted the cuttings supplied free by the Economic Gardens. During the early stages of growth, the plants were attacked by the stem-borer which was checked in its larval stages. The plants, however, did not recover their usual vigor. Another pest was the troublesome leaf-roller. Out of these var. yellow and white are superior to the red in point of taste and maturity, the coolie rejects the latter in preference to the former varieties. The yellow and white var. take about 4-4½ months the red one about 5 or more months.

CROP: Sweet potatoes harvested ~~xxxxxxx~~ up till now, amount to Lbs. 116 sold to the coolies at 7 cts. a katty and small tubers @ 6 c