Commencement.
Correspondence with God.
President General's Office
Selangor, Malay Peninsula
12th March 1901

Dn. 280/2/01

Dear Sir,

Referring to previous Correspondence with Mr. Ridley on the Subject of the Straits and F. M. S. Agricultural Bulletin, I enclose papers regarding a Paracel subspace and Rice Cultivation in Place 9, of which you may be able to make use.

The farmers and the planters here are anxious to subscribe and contribute to the Bulletin if you will set the matter going and I suggest that you draft and send me a sort of prospectus showing the objects and nature and utility of the Bulletin, terms of Subscription, to whom payable, etc., and calling for Subscribers and Contributors. I would then consult with Mr. Carey and complete the prospectus and have a number of copies printed and circulated in the F. M. S.

I understand that there has been some discussion in the matter and it is greatly to be hoped that it will not be dropped, but a little action and pushing from your end is required

Yours,

W. H. Spence
Ag. Resident General
F. M. S.

W. Fox, Esq.
Sup. Ser. For. & Forestr.
Singapore
No. Kg. 2302/01

To Sir

In continuation of my letter of 12th May, I have the honour to enclose Copy of a letter on the Subject of the Agricultural Bulletin which I addressed to the Chairman, Melaka, Penang Association, Selangor, on the 9th instant and of his reply dated 10th.

(2) From the letter you will perceive that Mr. Carey is taking up with customary energy and that a considerable amount of support will be forthcoming from the Native States Administration.

3. It now, I think, needs, with you to take prompt advantage of the attention which is being given to the subject here to frantically formulate your schemes and make a show.

4. I venture to suggest that your keen interest of interviewing the Hon. Colombo Secretary, Mr. Riley, in his letter of 16th March may be: "The first step is to secure and take it over;" and Editor of the Bulletin out. After my absence Mr. Fox is acting for me and could leave a note etc. through the papers. By having it printed here (Singapore) it would not be dislocated from the main Bulletin, it would be necessary, then to approach the Straits Government in order that the printing might be regularly done.

5. I take it for granted that your scheme good enough to act as Editor and if you will give me an idea of the quantum of contribution, if any, the Straits Government will do the government of the S. W. can write this letter. I have the necessary arrangements.

6. I shall be obliged if you will give instructions for my office to be supplied regularly with a copy of the Bulletin, commencing with the first number of the
Botanic Gardens
Singapore
24th May 1903

I have the honour to enclose herewith a correspondence between the As Resident General of the Federated Malay States, the Chairman of the Straits Agriculture & Horticultural Association, and myself, relative to a proposal for bringing out a monthly Bulletin on agricultural and allied subjects together with a Proposed Prospectus showing the lines on which the Bulletin will be conducted.

2. With reference to the last paragraph of the Prospectus, which deals with the proposed price of the Bulletin, I venture to ask the Government to take into their favourable consideration the advisability of allowing the Bulletin to be published free at the Government Printing Office. This would then enable it to be sold at a very nominal cost, the receipts of which would go to wards the expenses of any illustrations, which it might be found necessary to employ; or for the expense of the being type written etc.

3. I might add that the Superintendent of the Government Printing Office expressed the pleasure it would afford him to do the printing, provided he was authorized to employ three or four extra Compositors, which would cost some forty dollars per month.

I have the

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Of Director
In fact, its longer will be open to the wider potential effects.
Sg1ern 30th July 1901
Colonial Secretary's Office
Singapore, 30th June 1901

Sir,

With reference to the suggestion made in correspondence between the Director of Gardens, S, and yourself that a monthly agricultural Bulletin for the S. B. S. should be published under the editorship of the Director of Gardens, S. I have directed to inform you that the estimated cost of producing such a publication from the Government Printing Office is £200 per annum and the T. E. H. O. has consented that half of this sum after deducting proceeds of sale shall be borne by the T. E. R.

2. I have to inquire whether this proposal meets with your approval.

I have to

S. W. Diggles
A.G. Colonial Secretary

The Resident General
Federated Malay States
(Signed) for
Prospectus for the Agricultural Bulletin of the Straits and Federated Malay States.

Since 1891 a Bulletin dealing with agricultural and other economic subjects has been published by the Straits Department at irregular intervals, but the time-long issue numbers have been published, and of their utility there can be no doubt, it is clear to have been appreciated by the Planters in the Colony, the Federated Malay States; and others, that a desire has been expressed that having regard to the large and increasing number of agriculturalists and others taking an interest in agriculture, that the time has now come when something of one that the Bulletin mentioned above is required.

It is now proposed to publish a monthly Bulletin, which shall incorporate the old one, and as far as possible resemble its scope, by supplementing it the importance of the exchanges of experiences in all that pertains to their interests.

The plan on which it will be conducted will follow to a large extent those of similar publications in other countries, such as the agricultural Bulletin of Australia, Hong Kong and Indian Islands, especially that of a permanent and includes:

A. Leading Articles by the Editor to the theory and practice of farming, retailing, supply, etc., etc.
B. Reports of Firms and Agents on the progress of the farms, etc.
C. Reports of stock raisers, breeders, etc., etc.
D. Reports of committee meetings of District Land and Agricultural Societies, etc.
E. Reports of meetings of Land and Agricultural Societies, etc.
F. Reports of Land and Agricultural Societies, etc.
G. Reports of the Bulletin's branches, etc., etc.
H. Trade Reports, etc., etc.
I. Miscellaneous reports, etc., etc.
J. Weather reports, etc., etc.

As the Bulletin will in the main be for planters, it cannot be too strongly urged that it must be a success, of treat one to another. Each one should be a point of writing something he knows, and each month thus in a word, a great step for planters.
It is proposed that the Garden Department shall continue with the Bulletin, as they are possibly in the best position for consulting Books of Reference but I would here emphasize strongly the difference between editing a paper and writing it. It is of the greatest possible importance that a body of Contributot be organized, then the work could be done in several sections, the Chairmen and secretary of the United Gardeners Association who would induce Gardeners to record their experiences, whether of failure or success, collect them and in due course forward them to the Depot in Singapore. It is by this combination only that success can be achieved, as far as the Garden Department is concerned no effort should be spared to make it so.

As regards the financial side of the question, that is not to be much moment. The Government being so strongly sympathetic and I am authorized to say, that if the Bulletin alone were to be issued free, the price at all events will be a very nominal one.

Sd 1st Love

Ag Director of Gardens

But: key in advance $3.10 a or 50 Sing. A/7 2/5 by S. I of Office S. $4.50 where all orders shall be sent. Sub: commences 1st Dec. the date on which 1st W. appears.

Also suggested that I. I. R. F. be added to constitution.
I incline to think it is the Editor of the Bulletin should be responsible for its finances.

S. P. O.

For your views.

S. P. O.

I think the grant of $300 p.a. for improving the Bulletin should go to the Gardens' Vote under "Other Charges."

The subscriptions proceeds of Sales of Copy & accounts realized for Advertisements should pass through the Treasurer of the Society account: it is the same as the Gazette. Subscriptions are done. S. P. O. 12 Oct 1878.

Agreed with the S. P. O.

S. P. O.

Let the above be done.

S. P. O.

Director of Gardens.

To note.

24 Oct 1878.

W. Fox 24. 8. 78
Resident General's Office
Selangor, Raya Peninsula
8th May 1901

Sir,

Referring to your Honorary Secretary's letter of 1st March last on the subject of the Agricultural Bulletin, I have the honour to inti be close for the information given in and the minutes of your association copies of that letter to Mr. Ridley, dated 14th March last, 30th April 1901 and of his reply of date 18th of the same month.

2. It is most unfortunate that Mr. Ridley should have proceeded on leave at this juncture but I am sure that his longer absence will not do Editi store

3. It is not possible for me to approach the S.O. of the Straits Settlements, as suggested by Mr. Ridley until I am in a position to say definitely what support will be given to the publication by planter or others with the F.M.S. and can furnish with a nominal list of submitting subscribers and contributors.

4. I fear that nothing will result unless you can prevail on some energetic member of the planting community to take the matter up thoroughly and put it through. I am aware that your time is too much occupied already to admit of your undertaking the work, as the same applies to me.

From perusal I understand from the acting Resident, little or no support can be expected to Mr. Ridley's services in the matter that is held available at present and as Mr. Ridley is unable to undertake any active part, Mr. Ridley willing to assist but has not much opportunity of keeping in touch with local agricultural matters.

5. I would ask your attention to Mr. Ridley's suggestions that enough material be included.
Should be co-relaxed to serve for 30 hours to before fishing.

6. I would also remind you that the proposal that the Bulletin should be a joint F.D.S. and Straits Settlements publication, printed, illustrated, and edited in Singapore.

7. If sufficient encouragement for the idea will suggest to the High Commissioners that the F.D.S. Government should make a moderate annual contribution towards the cost of bringing out the Bulletin.

8. Begging you to accept the expression of my thanks for the assistance you have already rendered me in this matter, and which extends beyond what appears in official correspondence.

I have &c.

Ag. R. J. F.

To

The Chairman
United Planters Association
Singapore.
I have the honour to advise you, in reply to your note of the 12th inst, of the desirability of the subscribers receiving the forthcoming issues of the Bulletin in a more comprehensive format. The Bulletin is intended to be a publication of interest and value to the members of the Association. The contents are expected to be of high quality and to provide valuable contributions to the field.

2. It is certainly regrettable that the publication is about to face financial difficulties, as it has been a valuable source of information and a means of furthering the interests of the members. It is hoped that the necessary steps will be taken to ensure its continued publication.

3. In regard to the support which may be looked for from the members, you are advised to prepare a comprehensive list of intending subscribers and contributors. At present, our Hon. Secretary has received promises of support from 21 members, but we are still in need of additional support. It is hoped that the Bulletin will continue to be a valuable resource for the members.

I am confident that the Bulletin will continue to be a valuable source of information and a means of furthering the interests of the members. It is hoped that the necessary steps will be taken to ensure its continued publication.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

[Date: 1st May 1901]
4. The question of providing material is a very difficult one. And I am having a few questions for publication which I think will induce the plan to place on record in the columns of the Bulletin any items of interest which may attract their attention.

5. I would respectfully point out to you, that the present time is a period of great depression among our communities, and that the numerical support contributed to the scheme by our profession and our attempts to make the Bulletin an interesting and valuable addition to contemporary scientific literature meet with your approval if the suggestions for advancement will come forward with a great deal which will considerably lessen the cost to regular subscribers.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Chairman, W.L.A.

P.S. I desired to say that I am quite in accordance with Mr. Ridley's idea that some of the material should be collected before planting.

To
The Hon. Resident General, H.B.
Lancs.

[Signature]
The Acting Resident General who has taken the special interest in the proposed Combined Tracts of Southern and Federated Malay States Bulletin, is desirous of knowing what support it is likely to obtain from the Planting Communities, and thinks that it is an essential feature if success is to be achieved, that some member of our profession should come forward and undertake to receive and attend to all planting contributions and specimens etc. forwarding these on to a Committee led by Mr. Fox, who does not reside, during the latter's absence on leave. To facilitate the final decision as to when this or the enlarged Bulletin be undertaken, I have informed the Resident General that I will in the mean time act in this capacity, and desire therefore receive and promptly acknowledge all contributions and specimens which may be sent to me.

I would urge upon every member of the United Planters' Association that he supports a planting periodical of this nature amounts almost to a duty, and I pledge myself to do everything in my power to help the Scheme on in the way I have indicated as long as it is with the wish of the Association that I should do so.

Jas H. F. Carew

B2.20/3
Can you imagine the monthly publication of the Bulletin is paid for without interfering with the work of the office? What would be the extra cost to the South if you have to take one additional compositor?

A.C.S.

I can manage this if I may employ 2 composers whose aggregate salaries will be $10 a month. I fear it is higher.

If this is to be done the 2 Drs. should contribute $1 and the proceeds of sale of copies should go to defray the cost of printing.

Y. S.

I think this would be a useful publication.

The cost will be $500 a year for increase to staff of printing office. Ask Dr. G. or Dr. A. if he will pay $2. We will edit the monthly.

Y. C. - 6-18

Yes but I see absolutely no reason to issue this Bulletin free. People will value it more if they have to pay for it. They will charge 25 cents.

Y. A. 7-18
The res. of the last Bulletin was sent to the 5th of the 1st of the month (January 31st) and has not yet been returned.

H. W. Why because of this 3d paper?

Sd 6th May 1867

A. E. S.

I have already reported on another paper that the instructions from C. S. are that this work was to be taken up this month. The work has been commenced.

Sd Col.

Rev. Mr. has just written to me about this and included dividing it into parts. Sd Col. 6th.

Director of gardening

Has this been arranged to your satisfaction?

Sd 6th March 1867

Hon Col. Lee

Yes. Set it the 1st of April on what paper was the authorship settled

Sd 6th March 1867
Dear Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 2302 of the 14th instant, I have now the honour to enclose copy of a letter just received from Mr. E.V. Carey informing me that he has decided to resign the Chairmanship of the United Planters Association, F.M.S.

2. You will see that Mr. Carey has withdrawn his letter, copy of which I forwarded to you in my letter above quoted.

3. On appointment of Mr. Carey's successor a further communication will be addressed to you as to the Agricultural Bulletin, but in the meantime I shall be glad to see the draft prospectus you have undertaken to draw up, and to learn the result of your proposed interview with the Hon'ble Colonial Secretary.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. Fox, Esquire,
Acting Resident-General,
Federated Malay States.

SUPT: BOTANICAL GARDENS & FORESTS,
SINGAPORE.
KLANG,
Selangor,
Federated Malay States,
14th May, 1901.

THE ACTING RESIDENT-GENERAL, F.M.S.
CARCOSA, Kuala Lumpur.

Sir,

Referring to my letter of 10th instant, I have with great regret to inform you that I have, for various reasons, decided to resign the Chairmanship of the United Planters' Association at our next meeting towards the end of the month.

2. I will ask you therefore to allow the question of the Agricultural Bulletin to stand over until my successor has been appointed at that meeting, and meantime I have advised our Hony. Secretary that the letter referred to has been withdrawn.

3. Expressing my great regret if my action has caused you any inconvenience,

I have, etc.,
Sd/- E.V. Carey.

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Referring to the Agricultural Bulletin Prospectus, forwarded under cover of your letter Gardens 5067 of 14th June current. I shall be obliged if you will be so good as to inform me whether the Prospectus, as it stands, has been finally approved by the Colonial Government, because if it has been finally approved, I will cause it to be Gazetted in the F. M. S. Gazettes and copies distributed. If it has not been finally approved, I would beg to be allowed to offer some suggestions after consulting one or two of the Planters here who would take it as a compliment and be encouraged to contribute to and support the publication. I venture to think also that it would be diplomatic to ask, in the prospectus, for the assistance, in respect of contributions of Mr: I. Wray, the Curator, Perak, of Mr: Derry the suptd: of Govt: Gardens Perak, of Mr: Arden, the Federal suptd: of Experimental Plantations Selangore and of Mr: Curtis of Penang.

2. It would moreover help to expedite matters and put them on a sound basis if Mr: Fox, to whom we in the states are much indebted, could fix the rate of subscriptions. I suggest $6 a year and the date from which subscriptions should commence.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
Sd: W. H. Treacher

To
The Hon: Colonial Secretary
Singapore
Proposed Agricultural Bulletin

Suggest certain additions to proposed prospectus for and as to that rate of subscription may be fixed.

Former Papers.

MINUTES.

Final Paper.

S. P. O.

Please return the for

a. c. s.

Henceforth I have not yet received the
copy for first numbers. I have written a letter
for you to call on here when you next in town to
Settle about the issue of the Bulletin


If the prospectus has not been formally
approved. Do you agree with R. G. Suggestion

to refer it to the Members?


Y. E.

I agree with R. G. adopt his suggestion


I agree, my only doubt is whether the £6 a
is not too much. I am in favour of £3 and let
take it.

2. Mr. St. &c. as requested by the R. G. I think it is best for the publication of the first volume.

29th June 1811

Hon. C. S.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

2nd and 14th of May

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With reference to your letter of the 25th ult. I am directed to forward the enclosed copies of the approved prospectus of the Agricultural Bulletin, and to inform you that the Government has agreed to make a definite grant of $100, a definite amount of all profit on the sale of the publication, which is to be devoted to the purposes of generally improving the Bulletin.

S.S. Lee

To:

S.P. General

S. L.
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3. Mr Wray (Perak) has promised to give any assistance in his power and Mr Derry and Mr Arden will I am sure, be glad to help.

Yours very truly,

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The West Country,
Kajang, Selangor,
March 1st, 1901.

Sir,

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The question of the practicability of starting such a Bulletin was fully discussed, and it was eventually decided that the Association should adopt the Scheme laid out in Mr Ridley's letter of January, and forwarded to the Chairman in your letter of the 26th January, Misc:320/1901. In direct reply to para: 4 subsections i - v of your letter of the 8th January R.G.74/1901, I am directed to forward you the decisions arrived at, at the Meeting referred to. The Association considered that:-

i. The subjects to be included in the Bulletin were all embraced in the programme set out by Mr Ridley.

ii. The period of Publication should be at least monthly, more frequent periods of publication being left to Mr Ridley's wider experience.

iii. The terms of subscription should not exceed £1 p.a., but if possible 50 cts.

The Hon: Sec: has been requested to collect names of intending subscribers and it was intended that the Association should collect those subscriptions and forward them to Mr Ridley or the Publisher as seemed most fitting.

iv. The copy and information could be sent to

Mr Ridley
Mr Ridley direct, but that naturally the Chairman and Hon. Sec. would assist in collecting notes of interest, which might occur to them, or be brought to their notice by members.

v. The Association, considering the programme referred to being so comprehensive, it has nothing further to add.

In conclusion I may express the general feeling that such a Bulletin will prove most useful, though it was felt that at all events for the initial stages it would not be possible to obtain very scientific or technical articles from the Planting Community, still much valuable information will I trust be contributed.

I have, etc.,

Sgd/ W. SIDNEY PARRY,
Hon. Sec., United Planters Association, F. M. S.

The Resident-General,
Kuala Lumpur,
No.

Gardens and Forest Department,

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,

March 16, 1899.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter dated 1139/1901, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of the copy of the letter of the Chairman of the Planters' Association to Sir J. B. B. Say, and to agree that immediate action should be taken to prevent the quitting of the planters as to the land from being made away. I much regret the information that I am leaving immediately for three weeks, one year, when I have returned. I am much assured that I should be able to give the case cause some-what.

The first step is to secure an editor, during my absence of it is desired that I should on my return edit the paper. I should think either Mr. Higginson or Mr. Ordin would do this. When a publisher is required, the Ballent was written of 

I think I should be printed at Kwek in Suma best, or Taiping. I would be advisable to collect a stock of material for enough for two or three monthly at least. before commencing to print. So as to give time for more material to come in till the work was properly started. Hence I think we should be able to keep it up.
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Auditor General

Please act accordingly.

Director of Gardens

I agree.

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Manager General

I will gladly do this.

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I do not propose to audit this account. It should be examined and certified by some competent person anewly, but not by me, as I am not competent to do so.

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I think the Auditor General would be a most competent person. He used to examine the accounts as Auditor General but his health compelled him to do so.

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Referring to previous correspondence and to draft Prospectus of the “Straits and Federated Malay States Agricultural Bulletin,” of which copy was enclosed in my letter of 19th June, 1901, I beg your special attention to paragraph 5 of the Prospectus, in which Mr. Fox alludes to the very great importance, to ensure the success of the “Bulletin,” of organising a band of contributors, and I would venture to request you, as Chairman of the United Planters’ Association, to do all that is in your power to induce planters and others to contribute, and to collect material which you would, in due course, forward to the Editor at Singapore, and to encourage men to subscribe to the periodical.

I have the honour to be,

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To the CHAIRMAN,
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Klang.

RESIDENT-GENERAL’S OFFICE,
SELANGOR, MALAY PENINSULA,
8th August, 1901.
Collection of Consular Reports from the Foreign Office.

As at request of United Planters Assoc. that this may be added to the scope of the Agricultural Bulletin.

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Ag. Director of Gardens
For your remarks.

Hon. Col. Lee.

It is too late how to insert this item in the Prospectus, as the latter has been published & distributed. It me at no cost now to secure last report. I think if you would obtain some of these Consular Reports then more of the succeeding, valuable for making notes for the Bulletin. I have the Consular Report on the State of Amazonas & Forestry of that country. It contains most valuable details regarding the growth, cultivation, & tapping of Para rubber. This was lent me by Mr. Bailey & also of course many of the Consular Reports would be of much advantage, but a selection such as the one mentioned, is all those from Tropical Countries for instance the South American. The German & other etc. world be of great value. As regards keeping us informed of what is going on in agricultural matters.
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Sir,

In reply to your letter dated February 20th, 1908, enclosing a bill for £100, being the amount of annual contribution of the Government of the Federated Malay States to the Agricultural Bulletin, I have the honour to inform you that the bill should have been sent to the Secretary to Resident-General, but that to save correspondence I have referred the matter to Accountant & Auditor, Federated Malay States who report that a cheque has been sent in payment.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

[Signature]

British Resident,
Selangor.

The Editor,
Agriculture Bulletin,
SINGAPORE.
Botanic Gardens
Singapore
20th July 1903.

Sir,

I have the honour to re-enclose herewith a bill in duplicate for £800, being the amount of annual Contribution of the Government of the Federated Malay States to The African Journal of Bulletin.

I may add that this sum, together with a similar contribution from the Federal Government is placed on deposit in the Standard Bank, here to an account called The African Journal of Bulletin account, which account is drawn on by the Editor to defray expenses in connection with the publication.

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The Editor for

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