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INDUSTRIES.

(Misc.)

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No. 11/38.

Director of Public Works.

SUBJECT.

1938.

20th January.

POSSIBILITY OF EXPORTATION OF CARRAGEEN MOSS.

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

Extract from Director of Public Works' Report filed at red (25) in M.P. 58/37.

CARRAGEEN MOSS.

This is a valuable weed which is found chiefly on the West Coast of Ireland.

It is collected by the peasants who air-dry it and sell to agents. It is used for numerous purposes, and requires no special preparation.

In its crude form it is being sold to manufacturers of distemper at £30 per ton, and fetches even a higher price when sold as a health food.

For the latter purpose it is put up into packets by the Galltacht Industries Co, of Beggars Bush, Dublin, and is sold in most of the grocers shops in the Irish Free State.

I have obtained samples of this moss as I am of opinion that there is quite a lot of similar weed to be found in the Falkland Islands.

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Subsequent Paper.

H.C.S.

Ask the D.P.W. please to send
the samples of Carrageen moss to the
Agric. Insect Dept. to whom this
file should refer report.

~~W.H.H.~~ 24/1/35

D.P. Wks.

In favour of action please if
you have been able to obtain
the moss.

McM
C.S.
24.1.35

Hon. Col. Sec.

Samples of Carrageen Moss herewith
as requested.

S. Roberts.
25/1/38.

a.c.

moss herewith.

S. J. S.
C. for
25/1/38

Hon Colonial Secretary,

Submitted - The employees of the Agricultural Department will be instructed to keep a look out during the course of their duties for anything resembling Carrageen Moss.

As the Director of Public Works has expressed the opinion that there is quite a lot of similar weed to be found in the Falkland Islands, would he be good enough to indicate the locality, or better still, could he obtain samples of the local article.

This Department would then take the necessary steps to estimate the quantity available, and to have a chemical analysis made.

Frankie
Agricultural Adviser:
10th February, 1938.

Director Public Works.

Will you kindly reply.

MCH
ef
12.2.38

Hon Col Sec.

The opinion I expressed was based on enquiries made from a reliable person who has lived many years around the coast of these Islands.

I should say that the most likely place to find the weed is along the South Coast.

It would be of no value if found in land locked harbours, it must be from the beaches washed by the open sea.

Samples are not available. CMC 12/2

Agricultural Adviser.

To note.

MCH
C.
14. 2. 38

Hon. Col. Sec.

To facilitate matters would the
S.P.W. be kind enough to supply the
name of the person indicated by him in
his minute of 12/2/38

SDW
A.A. 15/2/38

D.P.Wks.

Can you say.
MCH
C.
16. 2. 38

Hon. Col. Sec.

Miss Eileen Felton.

C. Roberts.

16/2/38.

Agri. Adviser.

Miss Felton is away.

MCH
C.
16. 2. 38

~~H.C.S.~~

~~seen~~

~~SDW~~
~~A.A. 18/2/38~~

P.O.

H. C.

The Agric. Dept. will obtain some Carageen moss and endeavor to ascertain whether it is present here

27/2/39

See minutes of 18.1.39 to Agric. Adviser in 58/37.
MCH
CJ
27.2.39.

Agric. Adviser.

To note 14th minute.
MCH
CJ
27.2.38

Hon. Col. See.

Repeated enquiries have been made and beaches have been searched and I am now of the opinion that Carageen Moss is not to be found here.

20/2/39
H. 18/3/39

1/2.

Submitted. This is referred to in another file.

19/5/39 MCH
CJ
18.5.39

19/5/39