

Never did we obtain so much yields in these fields as by the use of this manure. We could not purchase and use this manure this year as it was not procurable. In my opinion there is no manure superior to this for paddy. (Sulagai of paddy weighs 160 to 168 lbs.)

(Sd) NANJAPPA THEVAN,

Dated 14-8-1914.

Brahmanaperia Agraharam, Erode.

FISH MANURE FOR SUGARCANE.

Last year M. R. Ry. W. Raghavachariar, Farm Manager on special duty, Coimbatore District, informed me that fish manure was good for Sugarcane crop and asked me to use it and, through his inducement, I obtained 45 bags of which I used 20 bags for $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres of Sugarcane. It cost me Rs. 2 per bag when received in this village. After the application of this manure the crop tillered and grew exceedingly well. This year the crops suffered very much owing to severe drought from March to June and owing to insufficient water in the wells. Owing to this circumstance the yield of jaggery per acre was only 30 pothies. But ordinarily if an acre of Sugarcane is manured with 40 Rs. worth of Kolingi leaves and does not suffer for want of irrigation, an yield of 45 pothies of jaggery is obtained. The yield of jaggery is low this year owing to want of supply of sufficient water. If the crop had been manured with 16 Rs. worth of Kolingi leaves per acre (just the cost of fish manure), with the same drought as this year, I would not have got any thing over 20 pothies. The most important thing to be attended to by those who use this manure is that they should see that the crop receives irrigation without break and that it is carefully saved even in the summer drought. Several ryots of this village have decided to use this manure liberally for paddy this coming season after seeing the excellent results of this manure on paddy raised by Thenpalani Thevan of Irungtr.

(Sd) S. ANANDAPADMANABHA IYER,

Mirasdar & Village Munsiff of Odderpalayam village,

The Officers' Club.

Mr. R. V. Subramania Aiyar who was President of the Club for practically the whole period that the club had a President, was given a hearty send-off in February last, before he left the station, on a long well earned furlough, possibly prior to retirement. Mr. Subramania Aiyar took the B. C. E. Degree with honours in 1886 and served for about 3 years in the P. W. D. as an Upper Subordinate and for about a year as an Asst. in the Teachers' College; and, during the rest of his life from 1892 to 1914, he has been Engineering Assistant at the Agricultural College at Saidapet and latterly at Coimbatore. Students during this quarter of a century have passed through his hands. Possessed of a large fund of humour, he had a knack of making abstruse portions of his Engineering subjects understood even by those backward unfortunates whose brains were not responsive to Mathematics. When the Officers' club had its own small squabbles in its earlier life, Mr. Subramania Aiyar, by his equanimity of temper, helped to steer it safe. Mr. Subramania Aiyar is a practical social reformer in every way, but of the unostentatious type. We hope that Mr. Subramania Aiyar will return at the end of his furlough to the field of his earlier labours

Rai Bahadur K. Rangachari, M. A., L. T., Government Lecturing Botanist, has been unanimously elected President and Mr. B. V. Nath is the energetic Secretary.

Wednesday evenings are generally devoted at the club for scientific conversazione. Members in their turn give popular discourses on their special subjects. Questions are freely asked and answered and the attendance at these meetings is generally good. The following, among others, have started these talks.

NAME.		SUBJECTS.
Mr. T. S. Venkataraman	...	Sugarcane seedlings.
„ Y. Ramachandra Rao	...	The Common Insects.
„ T. V. Ramakrishna Aiyar	...	The House Mosquito and Malaria causing Mosquito.