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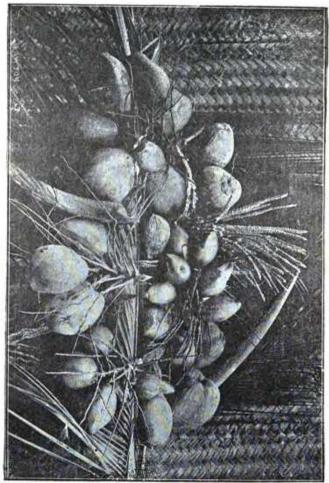
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#### PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION.

N publishing a SECOND EDITION of our MANUAL ON THE COCONUT PALM-first issued in 1885-we have endeavoured to give prominence to what is of immediate service to the intending cultivator and to relegate an APPENDIX, the fuller information compiled from various sources. But we must point out that while practical instruction for the Planter will be found at once on pages 32-47, he must not omit to notice the useful information from practical writers given in the APPENDIX pages ii to xiv; and again cxxi to cxliv and cexxi to cexxix. The Estimate of Expenditure and Receipts for a Plantation on pages cxliii and cliii can be compared with another much more detailed on pages cliv to clviii which is thoroughly "up to date," having been compiled so recently as November 1897. Finally, we have as the closing chapter of this volume, a final contribution on the subject of Coconut Planting from one who is a patriarch among his brethren in this island, and whose shrewd commonsense is proverbial: we refer to Mr. W. B. Lamont.

The varied information respecting Coconut Cultivation in countries other than Ceylon, cannot fail to be useful; and we have specially to thank Mr. H. N. Ridley, Director of Botanic Gardens and Forests, Singapore, for permissions to reprint his Report (and illustrations) on the destruction of Coconut Palms by Beetles—see pages clix to clxiv.

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