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No. 69. Read the following letter from L. BOWRING, Esq., Commissioner for the Government of the Territories of His Highness the Malia Rajah of Mysore, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort Saint George, dated Bangalore, 20th June 1865, General No. 926, Forests, No. 49 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 978, dated the 10th April 1865, enquiring whether a supply of timber from the Shemoga forests can be furnished to the Public Works Department at Bellary for building purposes.

2. In reply, I beg to forward for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council copies of the papers noted in the margin, and to observe that timber can no doubt be procured regularly at the yearly sales at the Depôts in the Nugur Division, but I do not anticipate that the Mysore authorities can transport it to Wullabapoor, and I consider that this should be done by Contractors acting under the Executive Engineer at Bellary.

3. Any other system might lead to oppression, such as is believed to have taken place in the year 1843. *Vide* General Cubbon's letter, No. 6, dated 17th January 1845, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George.

From Major A. HUNTER, Conservator of Forests, Mysore and Coorg, to the Secretary to the Commissioner for the Government of the Territories of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore, dated Yelwall, 10th June 1865, No. 78.

SIR,

1. In reply to your Docket, General No. 5,201, Docket No. 742, dated 13th April 1865, calling for report regarding the subject of letter No. 978, dated 10th April 1865, and marked Forest No. 3, from the Secretary to Government of Fort Saint George, Public Works Department, to the address of the Commissioner of Mysore, I have the honor to state that a large supply of good Teak and other timber can be obtained at the Forest Depôts in the Nugur Division.

2. These Depôts are at :—

Chorundhully.
Sacrabye.
Hoshully.
Shemoga.
Luckwully.
Hurihur.

Names of Depôts.	Teak.	Black wood.	Jungle wood.
Chorundhully	...	...	523
Sacrabye	...	...	416
Hoshully	...	...	5,726
Shemoga	...	...	213
Luckwully	1,508	61	49
Hurihur	...	52	50
Total	1,508	113	7,048

3. The stock at present on hand is noted in the margin; and it is proposed by me to sell it next month, and I have intimated this to the Executive Engineer of Bellary, and advised him to send an agent to inspect and buy what he requires, and make arrangements in the same way as Timber merchants do to float it down the river between July and November or December to the first anicut at Wallabapoor on the Toombuddra river, as it is impossible with the small Forest Establishment in the Nugur Division, for us to transport it to such a distance beyond the boundary.

4. At Luckwully the Teak logs are from 15 feet to 25 feet long, and from 1 foot to 1 foot 4, 5 and 6 inches square; probable auction price from 1 Rupee to 2 Rupees per cubic foot. This must vary, but the Department will be happy to sell at our Depôts to the Department Public Works at fair market rates, and collect at these Depôts, on due notice, any amount of timber it may require. Our responsibility I consider should cease on the purchase of timber. I have no doubt a smart agent from the Department of Bellary Public Works could make arrangements to float down the timber. Bamboos are abundant for rafts, and sell well in the Bellary districts, and the Wood merchants have for years floated down timber to the vicinity of Wallabapoor.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th July 1865.*

From Major A. HUNTER, Conservator of Forests, Mysore and Coorg, to the Secretary to the Commissioner for the Government of the Territories of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore, dated Yelwall, 13th June 1865, No. 87.

SIR,

1. In continuation of my letter No. 78, dated 10th instant, I have the honor to submit a copy of letter* No. 208, dated 7th instant, which shows the probable amount of timber that can be supplied at Shemoga and Luckwully Depôts, the average price at the Depôts, and the cost of floating to Wallabapoor from Shemoga and Luckwully.

* From Lieutenant Miller.

2. The best plan will be for the Department of Public Works at Bellary to send an agent to Shemoga yearly to purchase timber, and to make arrangements to float it down into their District, as the Assistant reports he cannot undertake to supply timber at Wallabapoor. If selected timber is taken the rates would be increased.

From Lieutenant E. MILLER, Assistant Conservator of Forests, Nugur Division, to the Conservator of Forests, Mysore and Coorg, Yelwall, dated Shemoga, 7th June 1865, No. 208.

SIR,

1. In reply to your letter No. 18, dated 16th May, I have the honor to state that I can supply annually for ten years the following kinds of wood in the following quantities:—

At Shemoga Teak	100 logs.	Luckwully Teak	500
„ Biti	200 „	Other Jungle woods	1,000
„ Kurray muttee	500 „		1,500
„ Honay	50 „		
Nundy	950		
Mushie	1,050		2,000
Honole			
Jumbay	2,000		3,500

The average cost per log 16 x 1 x 1 of Jungle wood from Shemoga to Wallabapoor is 26 Rupees at the following rates:—

	RS.	A.	P.
16 Cubic feet at 1½ Rupees per cubic foot ...	20	0	0
Floater's hire ...	4	0	0
Bamboos (25) ...	1	6	0
Fibre for lashings ...	0	6	0
Basket Boat ...	0	4	0
	26	0	0

If to Hurihur, deduct 1½ Rupees ...	1	8	0
	24	8	0

If from Luckwully to Wallabapoor for Teak, for a log 16 x 1 x 1:—

16 Cubic feet at Rupees 1-8-0 per cubic foot ...	24	0	0
Floater's hire ...	5	0	0
	29	0	0

If to Hurihur, 1½ Rupees less ...	1	8	0
	27	8	0

2. I would beg again to suggest the advisability of our responsibility ceasing on the sale of the wood at Shemoga or Luckwully. It is with great difficulty I can collect my wood at the Depôts, and would not, if the option were left me, undertake to supply the Bellary Department Public Works with others with timber at any place beyond Shemoga.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) A. HUNTER, Major,
Conservator of Forests, Mysore and Coorg.

(Copies.)

(Signed) L. BOWRING, Commissioner.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th July 1865.*

No. 70.

ORDER THEREON, 4th July 1865, No. 1,866.

FORESTS, No. 1.

10th April 1865, No. 977.

1. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 3rd Division, for information, with reference to the orders of Government marginally noted.

2. Captain Moberly will make his own arrangements for obtaining from the

Shemoga forests such a stock of timber as he may require for the works in progress at Bellary, but looking to the facilities that exist for securing a regular annual supply at the forests sales in Mysore there appears to be no necessity for keeping a large stock in reserve.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

General No 9267 } 1865/66.
Forests No 49 }

Mysore Commissioner's Office,
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From

The Commissioner for the Government
of the Territories of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort St. George.

Dated Bangalore 20th June 1865.

Sir,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter No 978 dated the 10th April 1865, enquiring
whether a supply of timber from the Shimoga Forests
can be furnished to the Public Works Department at
Bellary for building purposes.

2. In reply I beg to forward for the informa-
tion of His Excellency the Governor in Council copies of
the papers noted in the margin, and to observe that

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with extract from Lieut. Miller's letter
No 208 dated 17th June to Conservator of Forests

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it to Wallahapoor, and I consider that this should
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be done by Contractors acting under the Executive Engineer at Bellary.

3. Any other system might lead to oppression, such as is believed to have taken place in the year 1843. Vide General Cuthbert's letter No 6 dated 17th January 1845 to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant
S. Brown
Commissioner.

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No 78.

Conservator of Forests Office.
Yelwall 10th June 1865.
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From
Major A. Hunter
Conservator of Forests
Mysore and Coorg.

To
The Secretary to the Commissioner
for the Government of the Territories
of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore.
Bangalore.

Sir,

In reply to your Docket ^{Genl No. 5291}_{Docket. 712}
dated 13th April 1865, calling for report regarding
the subject of letter No. 978 dated 10th April 1865 and
marked Forest No. 3, from the Secretary to
Government of Fort Saint George Public Works
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of Mysore, I have the honor to state that a large
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Division.

2. These Depôts are at,
Chorwadhully,
Sacerabyle,
Hoshully,
Shimoga,
Lucknully,
Hurichur.

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The stock at present on hand is noted in the margin and it is proposed by me to sell it next month, and I have intimated this to the Executive Engineer of Bellary and advised him to send an agent to inspect and buy what he requires, and make arrangements in the same way as Timber Merchants do to float it down the River between July and November or December to the first Aricut at Wallabapoor on the Soombuddra River, as it is impossible with the small forest Establishment in the Nagar Division, for us to transport it to such a distance beyond the Boundary.

Names of Depôts	Teak	Black wood	Jungle wood
Chorundhully	.	.	523
Sacrabyle	.	.	446
Hoskully	.	.	5726
Shimoga	.	.	213
Luckhully	1508	61	90
Hurikur	.	52	50
Total	1508	113	7048

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At Luckhully the Teak logs are from 15 feet to 25 feet long and from 1 foot to 1 foot 4, 5 and 6 inches square; probable Auction price from 1 Rupee to 2 Rupees per Cubic foot. This must vary but the Department will be happy to sell at our Depôts to the Department Public Works at fair market rates, and collect at these Depôts on due notice, any amount of Timber it may require. Our responsibility I consider should cease on the purchase of Timber. I have no doubt a smart agent from the Department of Bellary Public Works could make arrangements to float down the timber. Bamboos are abundant for rafts

rafts, and sell well in the Bellary Districts, and the wood Merchants have for years floated down Timber to the vicinity of Wallabapoor.

I have the honor to be
Signed/ A. Hunter Major
Conservator of Forests
Mysore and Coorg.

Conservator of Forests Office.
Yelwall 13th June 1865.

N^o 87.

From
Major A. Hunter
Conservator of Forests
Mysore and Coorg.

To
The Secretary to the Commissioner
for the Government of the Territories
of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore.
Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter N^o 78 dated 10th Instant, I have the honor to submit, ~~from Mr. Miller~~ a copy of letter N^o 208 dated 7th Instant, which shews the probable amount of Timber that can be supplied at Shimoga and Luckhully Depôts, the average price at the Depôts, and the cost of floating to Wallabapoor from Shimoga and Luckhully.

2. The best plan will be for the
Department of Public Works at Bellary to send
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undertake to supply timber at Wallabapoor.
If selected timber is taken the rates would
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I have the honor to be
Signed/ P. Hunter Major
Conservator of Forests
Mysore and Coorg.

N^o 208.

Assistant Conservators Office
Nugur Division.
Shimoga 7th June 1865.

To

The Conservator of Forests
Mysore and Coorg
Yelwall.

Sir,

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16th May, I have the honor to state that I can
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At

10th April 1865 No. 977

907/1865 Depo
Pro. of Govt for July
1865 192267
From The Commissioner of Mysore

To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort St. George

Dated 20th }
Despatched } June
Received 22

Enclosures No. 1

General No. 926 } 1865-66.
Private No. 149 }

In reply to No. 978 dated
10th April 1865, submits Copies
of papers noted, and states
that the timber referred to
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regularly at the yearly sales
at the depôts in the Mysore
Division.

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At Shimoga Teak — 100 — logs — Lucknully — Teak — 500
— " — Bitti — 300 — — Other jungle woods — 1000
— " — Murray Muller 500 — " — 1500
— " — Honay — 50 — " — 135
— " — 950

Mundy

Mushie

Honole 1050

Gumbay 2000

2000
3500

The average cost per log 16 x 1 x 1 of jungle wood
from Shimoga to Wallabapoor is 26 Rupees at
the following rates:

16 Cubic feet at 1 1/4 Rs per C. foot	Rs. R. P.
20	20 - - -
Floaters' hire	4 - - -
Bamboos (25)	1 - 6 - -
Y. cable for lashings	1 - 6 - -
Bucket Boat	1 - 4 - -

Rupees 26 - - -

If to Murikur

deduct 1 1/2 Rupees

1 - 8 - -
24 - 8 - -

If from Lucknully to Wallabapoor for Teak for a
log 16 x 1 x 1.

16 C. ft. at 1 - 8 - - per C. foot	24 - - -
Floaters' hire	5 - - -

29 - - -

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at the Depôts, and would not, if the option were
left me, undertake to supply the Bellary D.P.W.
or others with timber at any place beyond Shimoga.

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I have the honor to be &c

(Signed) B. Miller

Asst. Conservator of Forests

Mysore Division.

(True Copy)

(Signed) A. Hunter Major

Conservator of Forests

Mysore and Coorg.

"Copies"

L. Brown

Commissioner

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Fourth Public Works Department
No 1866

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Enclosed in a letter from
the Commissioner of Mysore
to the Secretary to Government
Fort St. George dated 22nd
June 1865 No 978

22 July 1865

Copies of papers regarding
the supply of timber from
the Mysore Forests to the
Belly Public Works
Department

23rd July 1865

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D. 4. July 1865

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