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Subject

Passing orders on report
on Forest Settlement operations
on the Nilgiris and on the pro-
posal to retain Mr Cobb in the
district until the work of settle-
ment is finished.

NOTE The G.O. settles
Cobb's deputation allowance. It is
presumed that he is not to get it
for our public works.

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READ AGAIN ORDER OF GOVERNMENT, DATED
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ENCLOSURES.

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be necessary to make small
additions solely in order to obtain
straighter boundaries. Colonel
Jago the Lake District Forest Officer
must be held responsible for this
unsatisfactory state of things,
but as he has retired from the
service his conduct does not call
for notice.

b. The question of Mr. Cole's
proposed re-employment on the Nikhins
remains to be considered. His
Excellency the Governor in Council
agrees with the Collector and
the Board that it is desirable
that Mr. Cole should remain
on the Nikhins in order to finish
the work of Forest Settlement
and he will accordingly be retained
there until the work is completed.

/True Extract/

Shivor.
My Secretary to Govt.

To, The Commr. of Land Revenue.
Copy to Mr. A. C. Lake.
Public Department.

for the great delay which has taken place. Besides taking more than 2 years to complete final reports on the 57 blocks settlement of which he finally completed, he prevented his superior from taking any steps to settle five blocks which had long been pending settlement by taking the records relating to them to Indivaram and keeping them there for ten months. Mr. Lake was called on by the Board in 1888 to explain the prolonged delay on his part in returning these records, but no explanation has ^{ever} been furnished and the Board has apparently let the matter drop. In spite of the long period which has elapsed since Mr. Lake left the Nilgiris District. His Excellency the Governor and Council cannot allow to pass unnoticed the grave neglect of duty on Mr. Lake's part which has now been brought to light.

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It may be presumed from Mr. Lake's long silence that he has no explanation to offer for the retention of the Forest Settlement records above referred to; his conduct deserves severe censure and His Excellency the Governor in Council must express his strong disapproval of the same.

4. Mr. Cole has evidently done good work since he became Forest Settlement Officer and deserves commendation.

5. The next point calling for orders is the unsatisfactory nature of the Forest Settlement work already completed in the District. The main defects in this work are that many important sholas which ought to have been made in the reserved Forests have been left untouched, and that in many of the reserved Forests which have been finally settled and notified the boundaries have been found to be so extremely irregular that it will be

Revenue to employ a Committed
Civilian as special Forest settle-
ment officer in the Nilgiri D.
desired the Board to furnish fuller
information in regard to the causes
which had delayed the work of
Forest Settlement there. The Govern-
ment at the same time remarked
on the unsatisfactory nature of
those Forest Settlements which
had already been carried out in
the District and called on the
Board of Revenue to report who
was responsible for the bad work
done. In the second of the papers
read at the head of this Proceedings
the Government dealt amongst
other subjects with a proposal
made by the Board of Revenue
to the effect that Mr. H. V. Cole
the present Head Assistant Collector
and Forest Settlement Officer
of the Nilgiri District should be
retained in that capacity until
Forest Settlement work was
completed being given a deputa-
tion allowance to compensate
him for loss of promotion to the
of Sub Collector's grade. The
Government

Government deferred passing final
orders on the proposal in question
until it was in possession of the
information called for in the
first of the papers read above -
regarding the causes which had
delayed Forest Settlement work
on the Nilgiris, and the Board was
desired to submit the information
in question without any further delay
and at the same time to report what
progress had been made towards the
completion of Settlement since Mr.
Cole was entrusted with the duty
and how much work still remain^{ed}
to be done.

2. Full information having
now been furnished by the Board
on the subjects above mentioned
in its Proceedings dated 4th Nov^r
1892 Forest No 1194 Ins. and 11th Nov^r
1892 Forest No 1227 Ins., the Govern-
ment will proceed to pass the
necessary orders on the various points
raised.

3. As regards the delay in
Forest Settlement work it appears
that Mr. A. C. Lake the late Head
Assistant Collector is responsible
for

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read again G. O. dated 10Pul. 50200
55-91August 1891 N^o 731-also G. O. dated 7th Oct^rNot commd to Pul 1892. N^o 1028-

also Pros. of the Board
of Revenue (Land Revenue) dated 4th
Nov^r 1892, Forest N^o 1194 Ins^r, subg.
to Government with remarks report
of the Collector of Nilgiris regarding
the delay in Forest Settlement work
in the Nilgiri District.

also Pros. of the Board
of Revenue (Land Revenue) dated 11th
Nov^r 1893, N^o 1227 Forest Ins^r - on the
above subject.

also Pros. of the Board
of Revenue (Land Revenue) dated
27th Aug 1893, N^o 39 Forest R. on
the above subject.

Order thereon 6th March 1893 N^o 219.

In the first of the papers
read above the Government in dealing
with a proposal of the Board of
Revenue