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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, for the month of November 1859.

Read the following letters.

No. 77. From H. CLEGHORN, Esq., M. D. Conservator of Forests; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Fort St. George; dated Ootacamund 6th July 1859, No. 697.

I have the honor to submit for the favorable consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council a revised distribution of the Forest Establishment in the District of Canara.

Letter dated 9th August 1856, *recorded in Extract Minutes Consultation 19th December* 1856, *No.* 1332, *Revenue Department.*

2. When originally called upon for a scheme of Forest conservancy, I submitted an outline sketch (1856) based upon such information as I could gather from Revenue officers and from the records of Government. In Canara, the Establishment was to remain "as at present," i. e. in accordance with the previous* arrangements of Mr. F. N. Maltby, who had paid much attention to the subect.

* (1852.)

3. Subsequently I made three visits of inspection to North Canara, when I ascertained that the designation and duties of the establishment in that range do not now correspond with the titles in the original sanction, nor indeed can they be accurately defined, as the duties are of a fluctuating nature, and the subordinates are often moved from talook to talook, above or below Ghât, according as the greatest pressure may be inland for Railway requirements or seaward for ship-building. The Forest operations having been more and more tending to the Ammanee system, we have substituted, as vacancies occur, (for instance,) *Mootsuddies* for *Duffadars*, the former being able to keep accounts; but we must still call them Duffadars, or the Abstracts will not be passed.

4. The rules of the Civil Auditor require strict adherence to the letter of the original sanction, and it would save me much correspondence, and my lower subordinates much inconvenience, if Government sanction *the monthly disbursement of the aggregate amount without reference to details*, as there must be frequent changes in the designation and duties of the subordinates.

5. A few weeks ago, I referred to Government the increase of 4 annas a month to each wood-cutter in the teak plantation of Nellamboor, and here I find the labourers at the Ootacamund garden had struck work because of increase of 8 annas per mensem to the work people at Jackatallah. I adjusted the wages this morning according to the market rate, or work would have come to a stand still.

6. The majority of the Forest employeés are *temporary*, they go into unhealthy tracts for a few weeks or it may be months, and leave, it requires much tact and management to retain them.

7. In conclusion, I would solicit, that if Government be pleased to entertain the suggestion that it have retrospective effect from 1st May last as it was from that date certain changes and removals were made in consequence of the great demand from the North West line of Railway for timber.

No. 78. From H. CLEGHORN, Esq., M. D. Conservator of Forests; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government Revenue Department Fort Saint George; dated Ootacamund, 3rd August 1859, No. 732.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your official Memorandum dated 27th July, No. 184, and as therein directed, submit a statement of 1st, the Establishment sanctioned by Government, with orders marked opposite (as far as the records of my office will admit); 2nd, the establishment now actually employed; and 3rd the modification proposed.

2. I beg to mention that the Soondah Establishment was sanctioned temporarily at the recommendation of the then Collector Mr. F. N. Maltby. However, the proceeds of this talook for several years have been very remunerative and warrant me in soliciting that it be enrolled on the permanent list, particularly as operations on the banks of the Wurdah River for the supply of the Railway near Bellary are now commencing.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, for the month of November 1859.

No. 79. From H. CLEGHORN, Esq., M. D. Conservator of Forests; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George; dated Coimbatore, 23d September 1859, No. 778.

1. With reference to your official Memoranda dated 11th and 31st August last, Nos. 206 and 231 respectively, I have the honor to state that the order of Government 14th November 1848 not being on the records of my office, I called upon the Collector of Canara to furnish me with a copy, which having been received I beg to enclose.

2. With reference to the second order sanctioning the appointment of a European Overseer, I regret to observe that the number and date should be Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 737, 24th July 1857, para. 2, Revenue Department (copy of which I also enclose) instead of 28th November 1858, erroneously quoted in the first column of the statement forwarded with my letter dated 3rd August 1859, No. 732.

No. 80. ORDER THEREON, 7th November 1859, No. 1516.

Referred to the Civil Auditor for verification as well as for report whether the present Establishments entered in Dr. Cleghorn's statement are of such a character that they may be made permanent.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant.

H. Cleghorn
Conservator of Forests.

No. 691.

Ootacamund 8th July 1859.

From,

H. Logborn Esqr: M. D.
Conservator of Forests

To.

J. D. Brandilln Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George.

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Cons. 23rd Decr 1856 Nos. 23 & 25

Rev: 1863 Dept.
Rec: of Govt. 10th November.
No. 1284.

From
The Conservator of Forests.
To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George

Dated 6th July 1859.
Read 11

Encls 2 Rev.
No 1516-7th November
Submitting revised distribution of the Forest Establishment in the District of Canara, and soliciting sanction under the explanation given, and to have effect from 1st May 1859.

Copy sent to Civil Auditor 9th Nov 59.

No 77.

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No. 732. Ootacamund 3rd August 1859.

From,

H. Sleeghorn Esqr. M. D.
Conservator of Forests.

To,

J. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Official Memorandum dated 27th July No. 186, and as therein directed, submit a Statement of 1st the Establishment sanctioned by Government, with orders marked opposite (as far as the records of my Office will admit,) 2d. the Establishment now actually employed, and 3rd. the Modification proposed.

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Sir,
Your Most Obed.t Servant.

H. Cleghorn
Conservator of Forests.

No 778.

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23d September 1859.

From,
H. C. Higginson Esqre No. 9.
Conservator of Forests.

To,
The Chief Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St George.

Sir,

1. With reference to your Official Memorandum dated 11th ultimo and enclosure (Land No 2203 and 3211 res.) I have the honor to state that the Order referred to, dated 14th November 1858 not having been received by my Office, I called upon the Collector of Canara to furnish me with a Copy which I have now received & beg to enclose.

2. With reference to the second order mentioned in the abstract of a European Overseer, Sergeant to be attached to the Nundee and Sirsee Divisions, I beg to state that this Officer is not required in the South Canara Forests, but that the Assistant Conservator of Forests Mr. Gamble (1835) Para 2, Revenue Department Letter of 26th July 1858, recommended that the Sergeant should be attached to the Salem Forests instead of the Nundee Division.

I am Sir
Your most obedient Servant
H. C. Higginson
Conservator of Forests.

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Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

H. Cleghorn
Conservator of Forests.

Revenue Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 7 November 1859

Read the following letters
from the Conservator of Forests

(Here enter 6th July, 3d August
and 23d Sept 59 Nos 697-732
and 778)

Resolved to the
Civil Auditor for
verification as well as
for report — as to whether
the present establishments
entertained in the Conservancy
Establishment are of such
a character that they may be
made Permanent.

3 Copies
To the Civil Aud: with Ltr & orig. Encls: Dispd 8

Revenue 1859 Dep.t
Pres: of Govt 15th November
No 1801.

From
The Conservator of Forests
To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St George

Date 23
Rec.d 29th } Sept.r 1859

Con.s 2.
No 1516. 7th November

Enclosed Copy of the Order of Govt. dated 15 Nov.r 1858 sanctioning the increase proposed to the Forest Establ.t in Canara - also Copy of Rule of C. 24th July 1857. No 737. Rev. Dept. approving of the appointment of Mr Shelly as an Overseer in the Forest Dept.

Copy with Dist Enclos. to the Civil Auditor 9th Nov.r 59

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5th Aff. 1859. No. 26 @ 28.

Revenue 1859 Deptt.
Pro: of Govt. 15th Nov.

No. 1516.

Pro: of the Madras Govt.
Dy 4th November 1859.

From the Civil Auditor dd 25th Nov. 59 C. No. 2144 in
From the Conservator of Forests dd 24th Feby 60 C. No. 143 in
to Govt. 6th March 1860 c. to 509.

Civil Auditor to report whether the establishments entered in Dr Cleghorn's Statement are of such a character that they may be made permanent.

No. 77 at 88.