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No. 99. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Ootakamund, 5th March 1860, No. 190:—

As the Wainád Province is now rapidly opening up as an extensive field of European enterprize for Coffee plantation, it seems desirable to encourage the employment of English capital there, in every legitimate way, and it has occurred to me whether the Government may not be prepared to permit their public servants to employ their money in this enterprize in connection with a Joint Stock Company for Coffee planting which has now been started, or even in more direct transactions.

2. The former can perhaps scarcely be considered a trading transaction of the nature prohibited in the existing rules of the Civil and Military Services, as it is similar to an investment in Railways, which I believe is not forbidden, and the Officers who invest their money would have no immediate interference in the transactions; and I would further submit for consideration, the question whether any real objection exists to public servants undertaking a more direct connection with Coffee cultivation in the Wainád more than in Ceylon, where such is allowed, both Provinces being now under Her Majesty's direct Government, and in many respects equally circumstanced, as regards the colonization of Europeans with the view to Coffee planting; and also whether under the circumstances, the Wainád might not be considered in the light of a European colony similar to Ceylon, as regards the investment of money by public servants in Coffee or other enterprize.

3. I may add that the case is submitted for the consideration of Government purely with reference to the interests of the Wainád, to which my attention has been given in my recent tour, and not with reference to any individuals whatever.

No. 100. ORDER THEREON, 19th March 1860, No. 415.

The Government are of opinion that the Orders on the subject referred to in this letter, applicable to India generally, are equally applicable to Wainád.

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

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Suggesting whether the Wynaad may not be considered on the same footing as Ceylon as regards the liberty of public servants to invest their money in Coffee plantations either thro' the medium of a Joint Stock Company or more directly —

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