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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 11th May 1861.

No. 76. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st May 1861, No. 2,218.

Read letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, dated 8th April 1861, No. 432.
(In Cons. 12th April 1861, No. 2,253.)

1. In their Order, dated 29th January 1861, No. 230, the Government referred to the Board for report, a letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, requesting permission to entertain an Auditor on a salary of 70 Rupees per mensem, for the purpose of auditing the Bills connected with the Forest Department. The Board called for a list of the present Establishment attached to the Conservator's Office, and pointed out to him at the same time that, by paragraph 7 of the Board's Proceedings referred to by him, it was not intended that an audit should be made of the Bills in his Office, but that they should be sent to the Civil Auditor for audit, after being compared with the monthly accounts current.

In Cons. 30th January 1861, No. 580.

Proceedings, 8th February 1861, No. 707.

2. Captain Morgan, in reply stated that the services of an intelligent Accountant are required for the examination of monthly accounts received from the several forests.

Letter dated 22nd, in Cons. 22nd February 1861, No. 1,131.

3. From the list of Establishment furnished by Captain Morgan, the Board found that out of the sanctioned Establishment a 2nd Draughtsman on a salary of 25 Rupees a month had never yet been entertained. They, therefore, suggested that this office should, as a temporary measure of economy, remain vacant, and that a competent Accountant should be engaged on a salary of 50 Rupees per mensem.

Proceedings, 23rd March 1861.

4. In the letter above recorded, Captain Morgan agrees to the Board's proposal, but requests that the appointment of the Accountant should be made permanent instead of temporary. The arrangement proposed by the Board will cause only an increase of 25 Rupees a month over the present cost of Establishment; and as the services of an Accountant appear indispensable for the due examination of the monthly accounts, the Board beg to recommend that sanction may be granted for the entertainment of an Accountant on 50 Rupees a month in the place of a 2nd Draughtsman.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 77. ORDER THEREON, 11th May 1861, No. 1,016.

Resolved that the Acting Conservator of Forests be requested to submit as soon as possible a Tabular Statement in the prescribed form for transmission to the Government of India.

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

No. 707.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 8th February 1861.

Read Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 29th January 1861, No. 230, Revenue Department.

(In Cons. 30th January 1861, No. 580.)

Before expressing an opinion on the necessity for the special Auditor required by the Officiating Conservator of Forests, the Board wish to be furnished with a List of the present Establishment attached to his Office, and a statement of the distribution of their work. Captain Morgan will please to furnish this information as early as possible, and will also state what sort of audit he intends the Bills to undergo. In paragraph 7 of the Board's Proceedings referred to by that Officer, it is simply stated that the Bills should be compared with the entries in the monthly accounts current, and forwarded to the Civil Auditor for audit, and the Board did not intend that any audit should be made in the Office of the Conservator of Forests.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Sub-Secretary.

To Captain H. R. Morgan, Officiating Conservator of Forests, with spare copy of the Order of Government.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Enclosure 2 in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue to the Secretary to Government R. D. dated 1st May 1861. No. 2218.

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Board's Proceedings to the Officiating Conservator of Forests dated 8th February 1861 No. 707. calling the list of present establishment attached to his office.

No. 1,542.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 23rd March 1861.

Read the following letter from Captain H. R. MORGAN, Officiating Conservator of Forests, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 22nd February 1861, No. 385 :—

1. With reference to Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 707, dated 8th February 1861, in which I am called upon for a statement showing the number and occupation of the Clerks in my Office, and an explanation of the audit proposed by me, I have the honor to annex a statement.

Anamallais, North Canara, South do. Salem, Cuddapah, Mudumallai, and Segoor, Nilgiris, Madura, Nellambur, Wellington.

2. On the formation of the department the accounts of but two Forests required examination, and even these were only submitted annually. Now the accounts from the Forests noted in the margin are required to be submitted monthly, and to examine the items of charge in the bills and test them by the account current will be work for an intelligent Accountant.

3. With the increase of the number of Forests there has been no corresponding increase in the number of Clerks for the performance of the additional work.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Statement showing the Establishment of the Conservator of Forests and the work performed by each.

In Cons. 30th January 1861.

1. In their Order, dated 29th January 1861, No. 230, the Government referred to the Board for report a letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests in which that Officer requests permission to entertain an Auditor on a salary of 70 Rupees per mensem for the purpose of auditing the Bills connected with the Forest Department. On the requisition of the Board, Captain Morgan now furnishes with the letter above recorded, a list of the present Establishment attached to his Office. From this it appears that there is only one Clerk regularly available for the current duties.

2. Paragraph 7 of the Board's Proceedings referred to by Captain Morgan in his letter to Government, did not intend any *audit* to be made of the Bills in the Forest Department, and the Board do not, therefore, consider any additional hand necessary for that work; but they admit that the services of an intelligent Accountant are necessary for the examination of the monthly accounts received from the different forests. The Board would suggest that the pay of the second Draughtsman (which office is vacant) be raised from Rupees 25 to 50, and that a competent Accountant should be engaged for the work of examining the accounts. This will cause only an increase of 25 Rupees over the present Establishment, and probably the services of a second Draughtsman are not very necessary during Dr. Cleghorn's absence. If the Officiating Conservator concurs in this as a temporary arrangement, the Board will address Government on the subject.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary.

To Captain H. R. Morgan, Officiating Conservator of Forests.

Exd. J. Wright.

Statement showing the Establishment of the Conservator of Forests and the work performed by each.

No.	Rank	Salary per Mensem.	Distribution of Work	Remarks.
1	Asstt. Conservator	200 " "	In charge of Office and Accounts, and routine correspondence.	
1	Head Clerk	100 " "	In charge of Correspondence, to keep a Diary, Register and Index of letters and Records. Is absent greater part of the year with the Conservator of Forests on his tour.	
1	2nd Clerk	45 " "	Conducts the general duties of the Central Office and in charge of Stationery	
1	Head Draughtsman	40 " "	Engaged in delineating specimens of Plants collected during the travels of the Conservator of Forests. Travels with the Conservator of Forests.	
1	2nd do	25 " "	[illegible]	
1	Herbarian	25 " "	In charge of the Herbarium.	
4	Peons, on 7 Rs. each	28 " "	Two accompany the Conservator of Forests on his tours, and the other two are employed in the Central Office for carrying letters &c. They are detached occasionally in charge of plants &c., arriving from England or elsewhere to Bangalore or Ootacamund Gardens.	

Madras
22d February 1861

[illegible] Capt
Offg. Consr. of Forest.

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Enclosure 3 in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue to the Secretary to Government R. D. dated 1st May 1861. No. 2218.

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Letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests to the Board of Revenue dated 22d February 1861 No. 385 requesting permission to entertain an Auditor for the purpose of Auditing the Bills connected with the Forest Department and Board's Proceedings thereon.

IN CONS. 12TH APRIL 1861, No. 2,253.

From CAPTAIN H. R. MORGAN, Officiating Conservator of Forests,
dated Ootacamund, 8th April 1861, No. 432.

In reply to Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd March 1861, No. 1,542, I have the honor to inform you that as no special audit is required, an Accountant as recommended by the Board on Rupees 50 per mensem will be sufficient.

2. I would beg to observe that Rupees 50 per mensem will not secure an efficient Accountant, if the office is to be only temporary. Therefore, as no second draughtsman has ever been required since the formation of the department, and as there is little likelihood of one ever being required, I would urge the necessity of the appointment being made permanent and not temporary.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

No. 2,218.

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(A true Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to Captain H. Morgan, Officiating Conservator of Forests.

Exd. J. Wright.

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No 1548

Submitting with recommendation, a letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests for the entertainment of an Accountant on 50 Rupees a month.

No 1016. 11th May

No. 1016 –

Resolved that the Ag. Conservator of Forests be requested to submit as soon as possible a Tabular Statement in the prescribed form for transmission to the Government of India.

Fort St Geo.
11th May 1861

J.D.S.

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