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No. 237. Read the following letter from Captain R. H. BEDDOME, Officiating Conservator of Forests, to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Camp Manontoddy, 7th August 1862, No. 142:—

SIR,

1. With reference to the Government Order No. 1,541 of the 17th of July 1862, I have the honor to forward copy of a letter* from the Superintendent of Anamallai by which Government will perceive that the road alluded to is not exclusively for the benefit of the Forest Department, I would suggest therefore that the road should be put in repairs by the Public Works Department and a portion of the expense, viz., one-third or half be charged to the Forest Department.

* No. 72, dated 30th July 1862.

2. With regard to paragraph 5, alluded to by Government in their Order above quoted, I herewith forward copy of Captain Brine's letter† to the District Engineer of Coimbatore, which he states was despatched. This‡ is a public road and I think might be immediately put in repair by the District Engineer as suggested by Captain Brine.

† No. 380, dated 3rd May 1862.

‡ Road through the village of Anamallai towards Coimbatore.

From Captain J. J. BRINE, Assistant Conservator of Forests, to Captain R. H. BEDDOME, Officiating Conservator of Forests, Ootacamund, dated Tonacudavoo, 30th July 1862, No. 72.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 117 of the 22nd instant, and to inform you that the road from slip to Callingode was formerly repaired by this Department. At that time funds were annually allotted for its repairs.

2. For some years past no provision has been made in the yearly estimates for the repairs of this road and am of opinion that as other parties, viz., timber merchants, and also the Revenue authorities benefit by the road in question to an equal if not greater extent than the Anamallai Forest Department, that Department should not be called on to pay the whole expense of the repairs.

3. With reference to the repairs of both the Anamallai and Callingode roads, I beg to enclose copy of the letters I had forwarded to the Engineers of the two Districts. The letter to the District Engineer of Coimbatore was undoubtedly despatched to him.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. H. BEDDOME, Captain,
Officiating Conservator of Forests.

From Captain J. J. BRINE, Assistant Conservator of Forests, to Captain GODDARD, Assistant District Engineer of Coimbatore, dated Coonoor, 3rd May 1862, No. 380.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to request your attention to the state of the road lying between the timber slip and the village of Anamallai. This portion of the road is good; but there are four Nullahs which being unbridged present serious obstacles to the passage of carts laden with timber. There are now many valuable logs of timber lying at the foot of the slip and elsewhere, which owing to their bulk cannot be carried across these Nullahs, though were they bridged this could easily be done.

2. Three of these Nullahs are small, but the fourth is of considerable width, and its banks are very steep. They might all be bridged at comparatively small expense by constructing the bridge of rough logs readily obtainable in the adjacent forest. The abutments might be built of rough stone, only the largest Nullah would require a pier in the centre.

3. My object in making this communication is to obtain increased facility for the transport of timber from the depôt, and consequently to induce parties to purchase, who are at present detered from doing so by the difficulties of the road.

* Anamallai.

*This road is not in my charge and consequently I am precluded from expending money on it from the forest estimate.

4. Apart from the timber traffic large quantities of grain are conveyed along the road the produce of the surrounding country to which this road is the only outlet.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. H. BEDDOME, Captain,
Officiating Conservator of Forests.

No. 238. ORDER THEREON, 19th August 1862, No. 1,756.

Referred to the Public Works Department with reference to the Order in that Department, dated 7th July 1862, No. 1,577.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

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Referred to the Public Works Depart-
ment with reference to the order in that Department
dated 7th July 1862, No. 1577.

Lt Col Sykes
19 Aug 62

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