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No. 183. Read the following letter from Captain H. R. MORGAN, Officiating Conservator of Forests, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 15th August 1861, No. 587 :—

SIR,

1. In accordance with the Order of Government dated 30th July 1861, No. 1,509, I have the honor to submit a list of the Officers in the Department showing the scale of their present allowances, and of their proposed consolidated salaries.

2. I have put down the consolidated salary of the Conservator of Forests at Rupees 1,200 per mensem, as on the organization of the Department Government were pleased to recommend* that amount, the recommendation was overruled by the Supreme Government on the grounds that Dr. Cleghorn already drew Rupees 200 as in charge of the Lal Bág at Bangalore, this amount of salary having been discontinued by the Commissioner of Mysore, I would submit the claim of the Conservator to a consolidated salary of Rupees 1,200, more especially as his work has increased instead of decreased, twelve distinct charges being now under him, whereas at the formation of the establishment there were but two, viz., the Anamallai and Canara forests.

* Vide letter from the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, No. 922 dated 2nd September 1856, to the Secretary to the Government of India.

Anamallai.	Cuddapah.
Mudumallai,	Nellumbur.
Segoor.	Madura.
North Canara.	Neilgherries.
South Canara.	Government Gardens.
Salem.	Wellington Plantations.

3. I have placed the consolidated salary for Mudumallai and Segoor at Rupees 800, this being the sum drawn by me when in charge.

4. Lieutenant Beddome as First Assistant draws Rupees 625, this appointment should be a prize for the oldest and most deserving Officer of the Department, I have placed the amount at Rupees 800 per month.

5. Captain Brine's, Second Assistant, present salary is Rupees 674. I have deemed it but fair to his important appointment to recommend the consolidated salary to be Rupees 700.

6. Captain Gib's salary is Rupees 674, two-thirds of which is paid by the Mysore Government, the consolidated salary I place at Rupees 650, as at present there are no money transactions involved.

7. Major Babington draws Rupees 574, this sum is too much for his present duties, but if the charge of the Nellambur or other plantations were added to his responsibilities I would place the consolidated salary at Rupees 600.

8. I have now mentioned all the Officers in the Department except the acting appointments, and in this lies the difficulty of the whole arrangement. For instance, if I, a Major in the Staff Corps, holding an appointment of 700 Rupees a month, fall sick, and am relieved by a Lieutenant of the Staff Corps, what portion of the allowance does he draw? According to paragraph 93 of the Staff Corps Rules I am entitled to the pay of my rank and half the Staff allowances or Rupees 640 plus the half of Rupees 60 or Rupees 30, equal to Rupees 670. The acting Officer could draw but Rupees 30 a month for the first six months.

9. To make no difference in the pay between an Officer of twenty years' and one of five years' service, will I think be found neither advantageous to the Government nor to the service. The experience gained by an Officer of twenty years' service should surely count for something.

10. To make no difference between the services is disadvantageous to Government, the Officer has a pension to expect after twenty years' service, he has also a Military Fund; these are material guarantees. The Uncovenanted has no pension to expect, as far as the Military Fund is concerned, he is a free man, and his interests are not so bound up with those of Government as the Officers are.

11. In the case of a sudden outbreak the Military Officer is at once available for Field Service, whereas the Uncovenanted must be paid, though Government have no employment for him.

Office of Conservator of Forests

Camp: Ootacamund 15th August 1861

No. 584

From,

Captain H. P. Morgan

Offg. Conservator of Forests

To,

J. D. Pim Esqre.

Secretary to Government

Revenue department

Fort St George

Sir,

In accordance with the Order of Government, dated 30th July 1861. No. 1570 / 1579. I have the honor to submit a List of the Officers in the Department, shewing the scale of their present allowances, and of their proposed Consolidated Salaries.

2. I have put down the consolidated salary of the Conservator of Forests at Rs. 1200 per mensem, as on the organization of the Department, Government were pleased to recommend that amount.* The recommendation was overruled by the Supreme Government on the grounds that Dr. Cleghorn already drew Rs. 200, as in charge of the Lal Bâg at Bangalore, this amount of Salary having been discontinued by the Commissioner of Mysore

* Vide Letter from the Secretary to the Govt of Fort St George No. 922 dated 2nd September 1856. to the Secretary to the Govt of India

I would submit the claim of the Conservator to a consolidated salary of Rs 1200. more especially as his work has been increased instead of decreased, since the district charges being now under him, whereas at the formation of the Establishment there were but two, viz the Anamallai and Canara Forests.

3. I have placed the Consolidated salary for Udumallai & Sigur, at Rs 800, this being the sum drawn by me, when in charge.

4. Lieut Beddome, as 1st Assistant, draws Rs 625.- This appointment should be a prize for the oldest and most deserving Officer of the Department.- I have placed the amount at Rs 800 per month.

5. Capt Breine, 2d Assistant, present salary is Rs 676. I have deemed it, but fair, to this important appointment, to recommend the Consolidated salary to be Rs 700.

6. Capt Gib's salary is Rs 676, two thirds of which is paid by the Mysur Government, the consolidated salary I place, at Rs 650, as at present there are no money transactions involved.

7. Major Babington draws Rs 576. This sum is too much for his present duties, but if the charge of the Nelliumbur or other plantations were added to his responsibilities, I would place the Consolidated salary at Rs 600.

Anamallai
Udumallai
North Wynaad
South Wynaad
Sigur
Salem
Coimbatore
Madura
Shevaroys
Nelliumbur
Wellington
Plantation
Govt Gardens

8. I have now mentioned all the Officers in the Department except the acting appointments, and in this lies the difficulty of the whole arrangement. For instance, if I, a Major in the Staff Corps, holding an appointment of Rs 700 a month, fall sick, and am relieved by a Lieutenant of the Staff Corps, what portion of the Allowances does he draw? According to Para 93 of the Staff Corps rules, I am entitled to the pay of my rank and half the Staff Allowances or Rs 640. plus the half of 60 Rs or Rs 30, equal to Rs 670. The Acting Officer could draw but 30 Rs a month for the first six months.

9. To make no difference, in the pay, between an Officer of 20 years, and one of 5 years service will, I think, be found neither advantageous to the Government nor to the service. The experience gained by an Officer of 20 years service, should surely count for something.

10. To make no difference between the services is disadvantageous to Government.- The Officer has a Pension to expect after 20 years service, he has also a Military Fund. These are material guarantees. The uncovenanted has no Pension to expect,- as far as the Military Fund is concerned he is a free man, and his interests are not so bound up with those of Government as the Officers are.

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ment have no employment for him.

I have the honor to be &c

(Sign'd) W. R. Morgan Cap.

D.C.F. Conservator of Forests.

R 30th July/61 No 409.

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The Offg. Conservator of Forests.

To, The Secy. to Government
Rev. Department
Fort St. George.

Dated 15th
Recd. 20 } August 1861.

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No 587

Submitting a list of the Officers employed in the Forest Conservancy Department shewing the scale of their present and proposed Consolidated Salaries as directed in the Order of Govt. No 1509 dated 30th July 1861.

No 2212 - Wheeler

Withdrawn order &

No 183 & 184 -

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Ordered to be recorded with reference to the Order of Government, dated 14th Oct. 1862 No 2211.

JJ

Fort St. George
14th Oct. 1862