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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 17th November 1862.

No. 197. Read the following letter from Captain R. H. BEDDOME, Officiating Conservator of Forests, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp Ootacamund, 30th October 1862, No. 215:—

SIR,

1. With reference to paragraph 6 of the Government Order, No. 2,280 of the 25th of October 1862, I have the honor to inform you, that unless we plant, I do not see how the Barracks are to be supplied with timber in future years.

2. If attention is paid to soil and situation, (the want of which has been the chief cause of failure hitherto) I feel confident that any outlay in planting, and the expenses of Superintendence, &c., will be fully covered; much more than this should not, I think, be expected.

No. 198. ORDER THEREON, 17th November 1862, No. 2,428.

1. In this letter the Officiating Conservator of Forests advises the continuance of the Australian plantations near Wellington, and states that the outlay thereon would be fully covered if attention were paid in planting to soil and situation.

2. Although the experiment has hitherto been very unsuccessful, and there does not seem much prospect of its ever succeeding unless at an expense far beyond what would be justifiable, the Governor in Council, in deference to Captain Beddome's recommendation, will be prepared to order the continuance of the plantations for a further period of one year on being furnished with a proper specification of what is proposed to be done, and an estimate of the cost, and also with information as to whence the outlay is to be met. Captain Beddome will be good enough to furnish these particulars at an early date.

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

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Under the circumstances here stated the Australian plantations at Wellington must be continued, such portions only being abandoned as have proved a failure from irremediable faults of soil or situation. Captain Beddome will see that the greatest care is exercised in selecting future sites, & that all the operations are conducted with the strictest economy.

The Experiment has hitherto been very unsuccessful & I do not see much chance of these Plantations ever succeeding, unless a vast expense for irrigation whatever be practicable. However Capt Beddome may by his hand for a few months longer and in a proper specification of what he proposes to do & an estimate of the cost & the probable advantages of the scheme I will then consider & finish, be done Jp's.

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The Offg Conservator
of Forests
&c. &c.

The Secretary to Govt
Revenue Dpt
Fort St George

Dated 30th October 1862
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Enclosure None
Nº 2428 - 17th Nov
Offering Explanations
with regard to the supply
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from the Wellington Plantation.

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N. 2428.

Proceedings of the Madras Govt
under date the 17th November 1862

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4 Copies to the Hon'ble Conservator of Forests Calcutta
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Australian Plantations

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From offg Consr of Forests
D/ 1 Decr 62 Con: 3392

The Conservator of
Forests requested to furnish certain particulars
before the continuance of
the Australian plantation
for a further period of one
year, is sanctioned.

No 197 & 198

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