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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 1-7- ~~19~~ 1864

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st July 1864.

No. 1. 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, 18th June 1864, No. 963 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from Captain Gib, the Assistant Conservator of the Wynad forests, together with an extract from a letter from the Secretary to the Mysore Commissioner, by which Government will perceive that the Mysore Government have raised the tax upon all timber entering their territories from 1 to 3 Rupees per bandy load.

2. If this increased tax is to continue we shall only be able to sell Wynad timber at a very great discount, as it at present all goes to the market eastward (*i. e.*, Mysore and Bangalore), which will also be supplied with Mysore timber upon which there will be no tax, and which will have to be brought from a less distance. Under these circumstances I would suggest that the working of the Government forests of Wynad should cease until a road is opened to the Western Coast; this road is, I believe, sanctioned by Government, but I do not know when it is likely to be completed, when once open there can be no doubt that a valuable timber trade will spring up, and the Teak, Black-wood and jungle timbers of the Wynad belt will find a ready market.

3. The Wynad Teak belt, though it has suffered enormously from Kumri and indiscriminate felling before conservancy came into force, is undoubtedly the most valuable tract of forest in this Presidency, and if not worked, an Establishment will be necessary to prevent Kumri and for general conservancy.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, 1st July 1864, No. 1,120.

Forests.

A reference will be made to the Government of India in continuation of the letter from this Department 23rd May 1864, No. 876, and pending their orders the working of the Wynad forests will not be stopped.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Conservator of Forests,
With copy of letter to Government of India, 23rd May 1864, No. 876.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
1st *July* 1864.

No. 1,121.

No. 3.

From

J. D. SIM, Esq.,

Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

To

The Secretary to the Government of India.

SIR,

Forests.

1. In continuation of my letter of 23rd May last, No. 876, I am directed to state that the Mysore authorities have since raised the tax upon timber passing from the Madras forests into their territories from 1 to 3 Rupees per bandy load.

2. This increased tax virtually closes the Mysore market to Madras timber.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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the 4th June 1864 No 963.

Revenue Department

No. 821.-1121.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India

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Fort St. George
1st July 1862.

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1862 Forest Department
From The Conservator of Forests,
To

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Dated 25th August 1862
Received 1st Sept 1862

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Rs. of Gov.t for July

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