

The mistake made by Mr. McLean was in
interpreting the report given by me as a
proposal such as that stated by him and
- accompanied by any plan or sketch as
equivalent to an order. I have directed
him for the future to apply in such matters
officially to the Secy of the Govt. as regards
the Road itself. I am not satisfied with it
as a means of communication. It follows the old
track and is much too steep, neither is
it wide enough. Therefore I have directed
him to Mr. McLean to remedy these defects
without cutting down ^{any} more timber.
The road is necessary in affording access to
the Plantation and the timber must
have been cut away to a certain extent
to afford space for the Road. I do not think
that much harm will be done to the aspect
of the falls when the whole place is properly
completed but at present of course the
land covered with dead timber looks
unbecomingly. I cannot however approve the
suggestion that the *Amelanchier* plants should
be rooted up or that an attempt which
sure to be unavailing should be made to

restoration the Forest to its original state
neither can I approve of the suggestion
that Mr Hamilton, a person altogether
unreliable should be invested
with any authority in the matter
The Govt have authority for the
establishment of the plantation
and it ought to have taken
the necessary steps to ensure
that plans of the work
were approved before
sanctioning it. If there
had been any fear of
damage to the land -
escape - it is too late
now to attempt
to remedy this
mistake - or
to make things
better by patching
with ferns trees
or grasses
instead of
brushwood
W.D.

The Linchons should however I think
be ^{removed} ~~removed~~ - first. Because they will not
harmonize well with the surrounding
dry forest - and secondly to prevent
the M.C. from all parties for meddling
with this side of the Lake. To this I may add
and a third reason viz. to show the
M.C. from practically that the forest will not
permit them plain pieces & avoid pos-
sible orders to be set aside in the way
that he has done -

I would prefer the change of the western
side of the Hill to Capt. Biddome or with
him to Major Morgan to be made with
the main that I have & been indicated.
- viz. - He should have a sufficient number
of paths for the M.C. for coolies and should
improve the path and remove its steepness

When necessary the M.C. should be
debarred from touching the hill side of the
Hill at all - ordering them to stay
for himself and coolies the path at right
angles and should be improved with
of hands by ordering again he will have
the most serious displeasure of foot -

It would be well if Capt. Biddome
should provide a path of access to the
Linchon plantation on the eastern
side of the Hill - so as to give the M.C.
and his people of all except for their pos-
sible on the western side -

Since I wrote my last note I have
heard further accounts of the distur-
bance done by the M.C. which shows
that the former statements were not
at all exaggerated.

26/9/02

J.P.

1704 Revenue Department
No. 1794
Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 26th September 1864

Read the following
letter from the Superintendent
Govt Chinchona Plantations

Explains that prior to cut-
ting the avenue through the
wood near the Tykara falls,
the proposition was submitted
for the consideration of His
Excellency the Governor which
being approved the work was
commenced.

(Here enter 30th Sept/64)

Mr. McAlister was
not warranted in interpret-
ing the general assent given
by His Excellency the Governor
to his indefinite proposal
(unaccompanied by any
sketch of plan showing
the locality and the
proposed

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The suggestion for including Col. Hamilton
will be given up. If the Anthonys
planted along the road cut in the
Western wood can not be removed
to the plantation on the Eastern side
without danger, I would let them
remain but transfer them together
with the Western wood to the care
of the Forest Dept as proposed by
Mr. Pycroft.

proposed operations)
 as equivalent to formal
 permission to depart from
 a plain and positive
 order issued by His Ex-
 cellency in Council after
 full consideration.

The Governor in Council
 now prohibits Mr. Meador
 from interfering in any way
 with the Western side of
 the Hill - which will be
 placed exclusively under the
 Forest Dept. The injury
 effected to the Forest cannot
 be repaired by planting Aus-
 tralian or other trees and
 the cleared spots had in
 better be left to
 nature. The Cinchonas

should be removed
 to the plantation if this
 can be done without
 material ^{danger} ~~loss~~ as they
 will not harmonise
 with the surrounding
 forest - otherwise the
 Assistant Conservator
 will take charge of
 them.

The Assistant
 Conservator will have
 a sufficient breadth of
 pathway for Mr. Meador's
 laborers, reducing its
 steepness and widening
 it where necessary with-
 out however cutting
 down any more timber.
 Mr. Meador will distinct-
 ly understand that he
 is henceforth restricted
 to the use of the path
 for himself and his
 laborers and he will
 incur

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Copy in letter to Aug 8
11 June 1857
the
Frank

Received 1864 Sept 11th
No. of Govt. for Sept 11th

Nov 1794

Pro. of the Madison Co.
Sept 28th Sept 11th 1864

From the land of the Madison Co.
also 11th Sept 1864 Sept 11th 1864
From the land of the Madison Co.
C. N. 1794

Copying orders
on the 11th Sept 1864
information respecting
the selling a portion
of the land near
the corner of the
Waterfall.

No. 1257426.