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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No. 58. Read the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Krishnapatnam, 28th April 1864, No. 22:—

SIR,

1. Some days ago I saw in the public papers a correspondence with the Collector of Coimbatore on the subject of firewood, I have the honor to submit, for the orders of Government, whether we can ever place this question on a satisfactory footing till we take into consideration the cost of production.

2. I would suggest that the cost of production should be calculated, 50 per cent., added to meet probable rise in price of labour and value of land, and the price of wood fixed accordingly.

3. That this measure would create great immediate distress I do not deny; I think it is better than the state of no wood we are fast reaching to. And I do not believe that any bonus system in respect to assessment will be of the slightest avail*

* As regards the Presidency generally. so long as the price of the wood now available is fixed without reference to the cost of its re-production. Those who may be willing to engage in growing wood must consider what is likely to be the cost of its production, its value when grown; how can they come to any satisfactory conclusion on these all-important points, when the price of the wood sold at present is fixed arbitrarily, and there is every reason to believe, rather with reference to the means of the poorer classes, than what must be demanded to avoid loss, were the wood sold by those who grew it.

No. 59. ORDER THEREON, 6th May 1864, No. 779.

The Government request that Mr. Dykes will endeavour to procure information of the nature proposed by him, as regards the Nellore District, and submit it in due course through the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue:
" Collector of Nellore.

Exd, S. T. Augustin.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

W B Dykes
Collector

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Submitting with reference to

the correspondence with the Editors

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 can ever be placed on a satisfactory

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 by the Board.

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