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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th April 1865.*

No. 310. Read the following letter from H. CLEGHORN, Esq., M.D., Conservator of Forests, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 8th April 1865, No. 758 :—
SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward a proposal by Major Gib, Deputy Conservator of Wynad, recommending the purchase of teak timber from the Trustees of the Pulpilly Temple, whose rights to certain forests were recognized in Proceedings of Government, dated 5th December 1862,

* Communicated in G.O. dated 29th April 1863, No. 737. No. 2,551 A, and in Despatch* of the Right Honorable Secretary of State, dated 9th March 1863, No. 7.

2. There might be some advantages in the proposed arrangement, but I think it would be a better plan, if possible, to enter into a lease (as recommended by the Secretary of State, in the Despatch above quoted) of these forests for a term of, say, twenty or twenty-five years, or longer period, if practicable, at an equitable rent, to be determined after a valuation survey.

3. If this cannot be settled, as native proprietors are often jealous of such proposals to rent their forests, it might be possible to come to an agreement, Government undertaking to manage the forests, giving the Trustees the entire proceeds, *minus* the cost of supervision.

4. By either of these plans, careful management of the forests would be ensured, whereas by Major Gib's proposal the main advantage would be to exclude for *one* year speculators who might interfere with our conservancy arrangement.

No. 311. ORDER THEREON, 26th April 1865, No. 862.

Forests, No. 18.

The Government agree with Dr. Cleghorn, and authorize him to request the Collector of Malabar to treat with the Pagoda Trustees for the lease of the forests, or, if they will not consent to that, for the management of them; but the sum to be charged for management must cover all expenses fully.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Conservator of Forests,
„ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

means preventing the Mysore Merchants buying the

the timber from the Trustees at an absurdly low rate / which they always do / and under selling us in the market for the Trustees agree not to sell to anyone else while their Contract with Government lasts. They will not however enter into any Contract of more than a year's time.

6. By an arrangement of this sort the Government gain in three ways: 1st from 30 to 50 percent on the sale of the timber. 2nd by keeping up the market for their own Timber to a fairly remunerative price and 3rd by this means enabling the Mysore Forests to pay their own expenses through only selling a small quantity of Timber.

7. I have also the honor to request you will obtain the permission of Government to my entering into an agreement on the part of Government to pay the Trustees 5 Rs. per annum for 10 or 20 years for a small piece of ground 300 ft. by 100 ft. at Koolvally for a Depot for the Mysore Timber.

8. The present Depot is in the Kousoor Forest and may be required some day by the Mysore Forest Dept. and besides is not quite safe for a number of logs were washed away last monsoon which certainly was an exceptional season the river running higher than it had been known to do for 32 years.

9. I ought to add that the Trustees will on no account rent their Forests to Government or even allow our Dept. to enter there to fell a certain number of trees, they are so much afraid that Government might some day resume possession of them and they are too stupid and ignorant to see that the mere fact of Government paying rent for them would be the strongest possible proof of their ownership.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Yours most obedient Servant

Respect. W. A. Sib

Asst. Conservator of Forests.

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H. C. Leghorn
Conservator of Forests.

Office of Conservator of Forests.
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 To, J. D. Sim Esq.
 Secretary to Government.
 Revenue Department.
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There might be some advantages in the proposed arrangement, but I think it would be a better plan if possible, to enter into a lease (as recommended by the Secretary of State, in the Despatch above quoted,) of these forests for a term of say 20 or 25 years, or longer period, if practicable, at an equitable rent, to be determined after a valuation Survey.

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In a letter from the Conservator of Forests, dated 1865 Aug 5th.

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The Officer in charge

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