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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
30th August 1866.*

No. 800. Read the following letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp, Ootacamund, 18th August 1866, No. 1,928 :—

1. With reference to the Government Order, No. 1,972, of the 7th of August 1866, paragraph 4, I have the honor to inform you that the area of the Devi Shola, excluding the 650 acres granted to Mr. Money, may be taken at 1,250 acres, and each acre may be said to contain at least 200 bandy loads of timber.

2. Mr. Money has entirely felled the 650 acres belonging to him. The Lawrence Asylum Works require 10,000 bandy loads of timber before completion (they have already had 2,000 from this shola), and this will all be taken from Mr. Money's estate. The 1,250 acres now belonging to Government should be able, with judicious management, to supply the demand of the Asylum in future years when it is occupied.

3. Three years ago Ootacamund was supplied with firewood from this shola; since that period, however, much shola land nearer Ootacamund has been taken up by Government and by private individuals for Chinchona and Tea, and all the timber therefrom has been or will be thrown into the market. Firewood plantations also are springing up, so that I do not anticipate that there will ever be any sale for the Devi Shola timber in Ootacamund itself; in fact Mr. Money has been advertising timber (from the eighty acres supposed to be his property without reserve) for half an anna per bandy load, but has not succeeded in selling any of it.

No. 801. ORDER THEREON, 30th August 1866, No. 2,279.

Forests, No. 24.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 1928

18th August 1866.

From

Captain R. H. Beddome
offg Conservator of Forests,

To

J. D. Sim Esq
Secretary to Government. P. O.
Fort Saint George.

Sir

With reference to the Government order No 1972 of the 7th of August 1866. para 4, I have the honor to inform you that the area of the Davie Shola excluding the 650 acres granted to Mr. Money may be taken at 1250 acres. and each acre may be said to contain at least 200 bandy loads of timber.

2. Mr Money has entirely felled the 650 acres belonging to him. The Lawrence Asylum works require 10,000 bandy loads of timber before completion (they have already had 2,000 from this Shola) and this will all be taken from Mr Money's estate.

The 1250 acres now belonging to Government should be able with judicious management to supply the demand of the Asylum in future years when it is occupied.

3. Three years ago Ootacamund was supplied with firewood from this Shola, since that period

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however much Shola land nearer Ootacamund has been taken up by Government and by private individuals for Cinchona and Tea, and all the timber therefrom has been or will be thrown into the market, firewood plantations also are springing up so that I do not anticipate that there will ever be any sale for the Davie Shola timber in Ootacamund itself, in fact Mr. Money has been advertising timber (from the 80 acres supposed to be his property without reserve) for $\frac{1}{2}$ an anna per bandy load but has not succeeded in selling any of it.

Shola Timber EP

I have seen only one specimen of the timber in the market. It is a very hard wood and is not much used for anything but firewood. It is also used for building purposes. The timber is very hard and is not much used for anything but firewood. It is also used for building purposes.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

A. H. Siddons Captain

offg. Conservator of Forests

July Aug/66 24122-3

Revised to England
By 12th Oct 1867 of 1867 Minister

Recd = 1866. Department
No. of Forest for Request
Forest Department.

From

The Conservator of Forests,

To

The Secretary to
Government of R. &
Port. Sand. Bay.

Dated 1st

Received 20.5.1866.

No. 1928

Enclosure No.

Informing that the area
of Davis's Island including all
the land's ground may be taken
at 1850 acres and that each acre
may be said to contain 200
cows of 200 lbs. each.

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