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No. 392. Read the following letter from the Superintendent of the Government Chinchona Plantations, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Ootacamund, 6th July 1868, No. 98:—

1. With reference to the Order of Government under date 18th June 1868, No. 1,736, I have the honor to state that, under the circumstance of the Mossing Patent being cancelled as "generally prejudicial to the public," there appears a difficulty in practically developing, on a large scale, the benefit likely to be derived from the application of this process to the Government Chinchona Plantations.

2. As the Government appear to question the value of the process, I trust my patent may be restored, as in my hands I feel convinced that it will prove of great practical value to the Government, the public, and myself. If the mossing process is of no value to the Government, then the object which gave rise to the cancellation of my patent no longer exists.

3. Before I put the mossing process into operation on a large scale, I trust the Government may consider it necessary to come to a definite arrangement as to the compensation to be allowed me.

4. I regret that any difference of opinion should exist between the Government and myself with reference to this process, because it deprives Government of the benefits which I believe may be derived from the discovery. It deprives the public of the benefits, and it deprives me of the reward to which I am entitled for my discovery. I naturally, therefore, feel anxious that some definite arrangement be come to.

5. It appears by the first paragraph of the Order under reply, that your Honorable Government are willing to grant me compensation equivalent to the benefit derived by Government from the practice of the process. I would, therefore, respectfully suggest that the degree of increase in the yield of alkaloid and bark from the Government Plantations by the practice of this process be determined annually by any two practical manufacturers of Quinine, or any other persons whom the Government, in conjunction with myself, may nominate. I shall gladly abide by the decision of the nominees, and accept, as my compensation, one half of the clear profit derived by the Government from their Plantations, i. e., the profit after deducting the yield of bark which the Plantations would have given without the process. Deducting also all the expenses attendant upon the application of the process, &c. Or I shall gladly receive the very moderate sum of 1 Anna per tree annually, as referred to by Sir Thomas Pycroft in his Minute of the 3rd March 1866, paragraph 21.

6. Referring to paragraph 2 of the Order of Government under reply, I have the honor to state that on my arrival in London at the end of May 1867, feeling myself aggrieved by the proceedings of Government with reference to the cancellation of my patent, and more especially by the Proceedings of Government of the 13th March, No. 611, of the same year, I had arranged to appeal to the British Parliament against what I conceived to be a grave injustice. Prior to doing so, I had the honor to wait on the Secretary of State for India, in order to ascertain what final order had been passed on the Proceedings of your Honorable Government, dated 18th February 1867, No. 396. I then learned that the Secretary of State was willing to compensate me for my discovery, as expressed in his despatch of the 24th May 1867, I therefore waived all further proceedings pending the decision of your Government on this despatch.

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2. The Government desire to know specifically from Mr. McIvor whether they are correct in supposing that it is not his intention to continue the application of the mowing process, or at all events not to carry it out on a large scale in the Government Chinchona Plantations until the Government have decided what remuneration they are prepared to award to him for what he designates as his discovery of the process.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent of the Government Chinchona Plantations.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Rev Mr. McIvor No 2342 of 1868.

Mr. McIvor's letter seems to be objectionable both in character & tone -
The views of the Govt as to any remuneration which may ultimately be assignable to Mr. McIvor, were clearly stated in the order of 15 June 68. of which Mr. McIvor's letter acknowledges receipt. and there has been no change in Chinchona affairs since that order was sent to justify Mr. McIvor in so immediately renewing an application to which he had been furnished with a clear and sufficient answer.

Para 1. In this para Mr. McIvor partially permits his reasons which induced the Govt of India to withdraw the Patent once unfortunately granted to him.

Para 2. As the cancellation of this Patent was deemed necessary by the Secy of State the Govt of India & the Govt of Madras, it is not as undemanding by Mr. McIvor as of the question, even if the Madras Govt had power to refuse it, which they have not. After all that has passed, I am at a loss to comprehend how Mr. McIvor has permitted himself to make such a request.

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now in a state to admit of its application,
unless the ~~fact~~ ^{fact} came to what Mr. McLoor
terms, a definite arrangement, - it seems
clear that the sooner ~~fact~~ ^{fact} adopt measures
for providing a successor to Mr. McLoor
the better it will be for the interests of
the Chukona garden.

Para 5. Mr. McLoor appears to have acquired,
in some irregular manner, a knowledge
of the contents of a minute by Sec. J. P. Esq.
relating to the proposed one anna per
hri rate. Unless it appears that this
minute has been published at home,
Mr. McLoor should be returned to explain
how he got his information. -

It is not however, in this manner in
which remuneration may hereafter be
awarded to Mr. McLoor. I think it will
suffice to draw his attention to the G. O. of the
18th June, & to repeat the intimation therein
conveyed, ~~which~~ by which Mr. McLoor should
now be informed that he must abide.

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Should the wrapping process be proved
on supposing to be a novelty in arborescence,
which seems doubtful, and should
its action in the production of a permanent
increase of alkalis be such as Mr.
McLoor asserts & takes credit for, there
can be but slight doubt that our long
the Nylgherry mountain bark will
take a commanding position in the
home market & there realize prices

far more favorable than those now
yielded by the bark of South America. -
When a result of that character has
been attained & the position advantage
is distinctly traceable to Mr. McLoor's in-
tellect, observation & management of
the ~~fact~~ ^{fact} plantations, under his paid
superintendence, then & then only, will it
be any opinion, be safe to determine
the amount of remuneration which Mr.
McLoor may equitably expect to
receive. At present we are in the
dark as to whether there really
has been any innovation or discovery at all;
but if there has been one, whether the
favorable yield of alkalis, secured
by the careful experimental manipulation
and chemical analysis of a small
quantity of bark by a scientific person
in England, will be the general outcome
and attribute of all the bark grown
on the Nylgherry hills under the wrapping
process. -

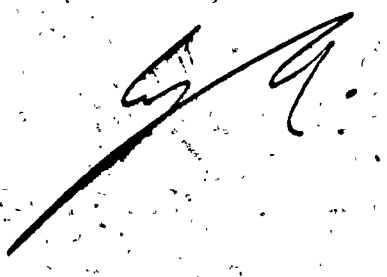
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The para does not supply a straight-
forward, candid reply to the question
addressed to Mr. McLoor, to which
it is intended to be an answer.
It stands to reason that the S. of State
did not himself inform Mr. McLoor
that it was correct and it does
not appear that it was correct & that
with the knowledge or consent of
the Secretary. If as is doubt he did
inform Mr. McLoor of it from a
desk in the India Office, he ought
to have plainly so stated. W.D.
19 July 68.

I would refer you to the
order passed on the 19th June last
and tell him that the Gov. authorizes
the decision conveyed in the 2nd
para. of that order.
From the 3rd & 4th paras. of his
last Gov. present letter I gather
that it is his Gov. intention not
to continue the application of the
helping process - or at all events
not to carry it out as a compulsory
method it has been settled that
compensation he should receive

from the Gov. should be designated
as his salary of the process. I
think he should be called upon
to state whether the Gov. are
right in supposing the above to be
his meaning. If his answer should
be in the affirmative, it would
then be a ~~compensation~~ or without being
a direct affirmation, it should
not be such as to satisfy the Gov.,
but the (incomplete) operations
involving the application of the
helping process, are going on as
they should, it will then I think

be our duty to submit the
unresponsiveness & the hostility
of State and to request that
he will furnish us with such
an expression of his opinion
as his Gov. should understand as
will answer the latter and
if he desires to remain in his
present employment he must
cheerfully conform to the decision
of the Gov. and that that
authority with much more
respect & subordination than
have characterized his
proceedings of late years.

for Aug. 18. 

Government Gardens
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N^o 98

From,

The Superintendent
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Secy. to Govt. Res. Dept.

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2 As the Government appear to question the value of the process, I trust my Patent may be restored, as in my hands, I feel convinced that it will prove of great practical value to the Government, the Public, and myself. If the moping process is of no value to the Government, then the object which gave rise to the cancellation of my Patent no longer exists.

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