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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
20th November 1869.

Read the following papers:—

No. 218. From the Officiating Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, (Revenue—Forests,) to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Bangalore, 23rd August 1869, No. 2,728-18.

WITH reference to your letter, No. 2,281-105, of the 6th instant, I am desired by the Chief Commissioner of Mysore to forward, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, copy of a communication from the Conservator of Forests in this Province; and to state that the terms on which it is proposed by Lieutenant vanSomeren to carry out the suggestion of establishing a joint depôt at Mysore, seem reasonable.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Lieutenant G. J. vanSOMEREN, Conservator of Forests, Mysore and Coorg, to the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, dated Bangalore, 17th August 1869, No. 751.

I HAVE the honour, with reference to your docket, General No. 2,451-356, of the 9th instant, forwarding for my opinion, the proposal of the Conservator of Forests in Madras to sell all his Wynaad timber in Mysore, to report, for the information of the Chief Commissioner, that the plan is one calculated to benefit both Governments, if carefully carried out.

2. I would therefore propose that the Madras Forest Department be allowed to retain its depôt at Gundri, but abandon those at Anterasante and Hirinaudi, using the latter place, however, as a landing place for wood floated down the river Kabani, the Mysore Forest Department retaining its present landing place at Humpapura. The Madras Forest Department would make its own arrangements to cart its wood from Hirinaudi to the Mysore timber-yard in Mysore Town, and should appoint a Mutsuddi or Goomastah to receive the wood. This Goomastah to be under the orders of the Mysore Wood-yard Mutsuddi, as far as regards the place and method of storing the timber; but the Goomastah will be responsible to the Assistant Conservator in Madras for the quantity of wood he receives, and for its safe-keeping. He will render all accounts regarding the sale of wood to his own master, who will make his own arrangements regarding the receipt of moneys paid by purchasers of Madras wood at the several auctions.

3. It is important that the two departments should not clash; and I therefore propose that the retail prices fixed by the Mysore Forest Department be also adopted by the Madras Forest Department; that auctions be held on the same day; that the Assistant Conservator in Mysore shall alone hold such auctions; and that Mysore and Madras wood be sold on such occasions in alternate lots. The Mysore Timber Auction Rules and the Mysore Wood-yard Regulations to be in all things strictly observed by the Madras Forest Department.

4. As all this will throw additional work on the Mysore Wood-yard Mutsuddi, I propose that the Madras Forest Department, (if they accept these conditions,) be required to pay him Rupees 25 per mensem, in addition to his Mysore pay; and that they also provide two Peons to assist the two Mysore Peons now in the Wood-yard.

5. The Assistant Conservator in Mysore will issue all Pass-ports for wood sold, on application being made to him by the officer in charge of the Wynaad Forests, who being, of course, responsible for the collection of all moneys due to his department, will also see that no Pass-ports are issued, except on his application, which must always be made in writing.

6. If these conditions are observed, I think both Governments would benefit; but I respectfully beg to state that the Madras Forest Department should be requested to accept them all, or to let matters go on as hitherto.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 20th November 1869.

FORWARDED for the observations of the Acting Conservator of Forests.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
26th August 1869.

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 219. From Major R. H. BEDDOME, Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp at Coimbatore, 31st August 1869, No. 1,674.

WITH reference to your official docket, dated 26th instant, forwarding for my remarks the terms on which it is proposed by Lieutenant vanSomeren, the Mysore Conservator, to carry out the suggestions of establishing a joint depôt at Mysore, I have the honour to inform you that I do not consider the terms proposed are such as we can accept, nor can I see the necessity for some of the rules. I do not know what the Mysore Auction Rules or Wood-yard Regulations are; but there would probably be no objection to these being adopted by our department, and our retail prices might be fixed at the same rate as those of Mysore. But as we shall have our own Timber Writer or Goomastah, and Peons in charge, I do not understand why Lieutenant vanSomeren should propose that we should pay the Mysore Timber Writer a monthly salary, or keep Peons for the benefit of his department; and there would be many objections to our auctions being held by Mysore officers, and to our being bound down to hold them on the same dates as those of Mysore; the latter might generally be arranged, but, if dates were fixed, that would inconvenience our officers, or take them away from more important work. We could not be bound down to keep to them.

2. The Commissioner's letter, with enclosure, is herewith returned.

No. 220. ORDER THEREON, 20th November 1869, No. 3,001.

Forests, No. 13.

THE foregoing letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests will be communicated to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, in view to the modifications proposed by Major Beddome being adopted, if deemed unobjectionable. Copy of the Wood-yard Regulations and Auction Rules will also be requested.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of India, 20th Nov. 1869. REVENUE.

To

THE OFFICIATING CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, &c. &c.

Dated November, 20th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 20th November 1869, No. 3,001.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 218—220.

Joint Timber Depôt at Mysore.—Letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests proposing certain modifications in connection with its establishment, communicated to Chief Commissioner of Mysore.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
20th November 1869.

No. 3,002.

No. 221.
To

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF MYSORE.

Forests, No. 14.

SIR,—I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's letter, dated 23rd August 1869, No. 2,728-18, respecting the terms on which it is proposed by the Mysore Conservator of Forests to carry out the suggestion of establishing a joint depôt at Mysore.

2. This letter was forwarded for the observations of the Acting Conservator of Forests of this Presidency, whose reply, dated 31st August 1869, I am now directed to communicate to you, in view to the modifications proposed by Major Beddome being adopted, if deemed unobjectionable.

3. I am also directed to request that you will be good enough to furnish this Government with copy of the Mysore Wood-yard Regulations and Auction Rules, referred to in paragraph 3 of Lieutenant vanSomeren's letter of 17th August 1869.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of India 1869 Supplt.

REVENUE.

To

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF

MYSORE.

Dated November, 20th.

Recd. Encl.

G. O, 20th November 1869, No. 3,002.

NOVEMBER.

No. 221.

FORWARDING letter from Officiating Conservator of Forests respecting the terms on which it is proposed to establish a joint timber depôt at Mysore; and requesting to be furnished with a copy of the Mysore Wood-yard Regulations and Auction Rules.

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Revenue Department.

No. 3001-

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 20th Nov.r 1869.

Read the following papers.

From Secy. to the Chief Commr. of Mysore

Stating that the terms of the proposal contained in letter from the Mysore Conservator of Forests to establish a joint timber depôt at Mysore seem reasonable.

(R. & C. 23d Augt. 69 No. 2728/18.)

From the Offg. Comr. of Forests. Madras.

Stating that the terms proposed by the Mysore Govt. for the formation of a joint timber depôt at Mysore are objectionable on several points.

(R. & C. 31st Augt. 69 No. 1674)

The foregoing letter from the Offg. Conservator of Forests will be communicated to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore in view to the modifications proposed by Major Beddome

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and Auction Regulations
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Enclosed.

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To

The Chief Commissioner of Mysore

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Secy's letter dated 23rd Aug / 69 No. 2728 / 18 respecting the terms on which it is proposed by the Conservator of Forests to carry out the suggestion of establishing a Teak depôt at Mysore.

2. This letter was forwarded for the observation of the Conservator of Forests of this Presy, whence it is dated 31st Aug / 69 I am now directed

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you in reply to the
modifications proposed
by Major Beddome
being adopted, if
deemed unobjectionable.

3. I am also
directed to request
that you will be
good enough to furnish
this Govt. with a copy
of the Mysore Boundary
Regulations and Auction
Rules referred to
in para 3 of Lieut.
Vansommeren's letter
of 17 Augt. 1864.