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## Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. (47) Press Mis.

547-548

Dated 22 to May 19 1869

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,*
*22nd May* 1869.

No. 547. Read the following letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp at Ootacamund, 17th May 1869, No. 1,391:—

In continuation of my letter No. 1,353 of the 4th instant, I have the honor to forward copy of a deposition made on oath before Mr. Underwood, by Oonapah, the other Government Contractor, who Mr. vanIngen stated had carted for him, it is quite clear now that no carting whatever can have been performed by or for Mr. vanIngen.

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No. 548. Order thereon, 22nd May 1869, No. 1,447.

Forests No. 24.

Recorded, with reference to the Order of Government of this day's date, No. 1,446.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests, with an enclosure

Erd. E. C. Shunker.

Deposition of Cart Contractor Onapah taken before the Magistrate of Nyanad

11/ What is your Name? My name is Onapah

12/ Your Father's Name? Arabanan

13/ Which is your Country? Pankully

14/ Are you going to tell the Truth? Yes I am going to tell the truth

15/ Have you brought from Chickballa Cherchatti Peak any timber to Gundlupet? Yes I did bring.

16/ Whether the last year's timber you have brought was for the Government or for yourself? I have brought for the Government

17/ Did you receive the money for the timber? I gave 10 Carts and 10 bullocks

18/ Do you remember that Agreement? Yes I remember it

19/ Did the Van begin first to bring wood to Gundlupet? First the Carts began to bring wood

110/ Did any body else share in the Contract? Yes

111/ Is your Van bringing wood to Gundlupet for the Forest Department?

Govt. of {1869} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE OFFICIATING CONSERVATOR

OF FORESTS.

Dated May, 22nd.

Recd. Encl.

{G. O., 22nd May 1869. No. 1,447.

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Nos. 547-548.

Deposition of Cart Contractor, Onapah in connection with Mr. Conlagen's case.—Letter from Officiating Conservator of Forests forwarding it, recorded.

11 Did Veerasawmy ever asked you to Cart logs for Van Ingen or any body else?

I have only brought for Government, Veerasawmy told me to bring him 20 Carts of timber but I have not done so I have only carted wood for Govt & for nobody else

(12) Did you receive any advance for delivery of timber?

I received no advance for delivery of timber to Govt or to any body else, but Veerasawmy Pillay gave me Rs 10 as an advance for the delivery of these 20 Cart loads of timber, I have not delivered them as yet, I received a cheque from Mr Turnbull for 80 Rs for arrears of work I have done when Mr Fullerton was Conservator of Forests and that cheque never have cashed, and is now held by Mr Cherry

13. Mr Van Ingen & Veerasawmy Pillay have stated in oath that you & July Veneata have done work for Mr Van Ingen. Have you done work for Mr Van Ingen or Veerasawmy Pillay at all or have you carted timber for any body else but Govt, you acknowledge an advance from Veerasawmy Pillay Have you done any work for this advance or your oath Have you carted wood for any body else but Government?

I have done no work for any body else but for Govt and as the the advance I received from Veerasawmy Pillay for work to be done I have done nothing

7/5/69 Signed Vonapah

The deposition was read to the witness in Tamil & acknowledged correct

Signed H. E. Underwood J.P.
& Magistrate

14. Have you seen your account and is it correct?

15. How do this cheque for Rs 83-5-4 come back & again to the Forest Dept after you received it?

Yes, my account is quite correct, Balance due by me 179-12-5 to Mr Fullerton I received 3 payments as shown in account of 100 Rs cash & 1 payment of 200 Rs. the payment of Rs 83-5-4 credited to my account has never been paid to me by Mr Turnbull on his cheque at 15 to the Tahsildar of Wynaad

I gave the cheque to one of my servants, and he gave it to Buddar & the Buddar kept it here for not having my signature on it. I did not know that my signature was necessary for all the other cheques I received I came personally and got the money.

The same day the deposition was read to the witness & acknowledged correct

H. E. Underwood J.P.
& Magistrate

A true Copy
Signed H. E. Underwood
& Magistrate

A true Copy
H. Fullerton
Ag. Conservator of Forests

No 1447

1/-

Recorded with reference to the
order of Govt. under date —

[illegible]
22d June/69

Return the
depositions

13 To the Offg Collr of Forests with an
Enclosure

(Copy)

The depositions of
Cart Contractors Bengal
taken on oath before
the Assistant Collr
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R H Maddone Major
Offg Conservator of Forests