

No. 411. Read the following letter from Messrs. J. W. B. MONEY and S. WAUCHOPE, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Calcutta, 13th March 1871 :—

With reference to the Government Order, No. 249, of 7th February 1871, published in the last Neilgherry papers received in Calcutta, we see that the Madras Government desire to see the annual expenditure of the Neilgherry Cinchona plantations reduced, and that, as a step in this direction, the Commissioner of the Neilgherries is to be called on for a report as to the prospect of being able to effect a sale, on reasonable terms, of both the Maikondah plantation and also the plantation at Pykarrah; and that, should he be of opinion that a sale cannot be effected on terms which the Government ought to accept, he is to consider the expediency of abandoning the upper portion of the Maikondah plantation altogether, and of filling up with Cinchona plants and fencing-in the lower portion of that plantation and the Pykarrah tract, and allowing them to develop as Cinchona copses or forest, stopping all further expenditure on them.

2. We wish to know on what terms Government will dispose of the Pykarrah plantation.

3. The Government Cinchona cultivation having been experimental, more or less of the expenses incurred at Pykarrah must have left no actual results on the ground. After the deduction of these resultless expenses, the remainder of the Government outlay, we presume, will be the basis of the Government demand.

4. We are not prepared now to buy Pykarrah at that or at any other rate, the commercial results of Cinchona-growing being as yet too uncertain to warrant such permanent outlay at present.

5. But we are now willing not only to save Government all further outlay on Pykarrah, but also to work and maintain it at our own expense, and to pay to Government a yearly rent, calculated as a reasonable return on the resultful Government outlay at Pykarrah, with power, in the lease, for us to buy it, at any time during the term, at such sum as may be now agreed upon between Government and ourselves.

6. We will undertake to keep up the garden in good condition, and at the end of the term, should we not meanwhile have exercised our power in buying Pykarrah, to return it to Government in as good and valuable condition in all respects as we received it.

No. 412. ORDER THEREON, 27th March 1871, No. 557.

Miscellaneous.

THE above letter will be referred to the Commissioner, Neilgherries; but Messrs. Money and Wauchope will be informed at once that the Government do not propose to lease out the plantations in question.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of the Neilgherries.
,, Messrs. J. W. B. Money and S. Wauchope.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Rev. Dept.

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Pros of the Madras Govt.
Under date the 27th March 1871

Admin. 21. Mar. 71.

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Read the following
letter from Messrs J. M. B.
Money & S. Manchope.

Requesting to know on what
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H. E. 13. March 1871.

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