Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, *12th March* 1872.

No. 155. Read the following letter from the Conservator of Forests, to the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Ootacamund, ch 1872, No. 1,031 :—

Letter from the Deputy-Conservator of Annamallay, etc., Forests, to the Conservator of Forests, No. 403, dated 4th March 1872.
True copy of Memorandum from do. to Rungasawmy Chetty, No. 259, dated 20th October 1871.
Do. do. from do. to Soobramania Iyer, No. 253, dated 18th October 1871.

IN forwarding the documents as per eceived from the Dep tor of the Annamallay, I have the honour to request the sanction* of Government for Mr. Douglas to employ a Vakeel to defend the suit in question.

2. I have been carefully into the case, and consider the Deputy-Conservator quite in the right, and I informed the contractor that I could not interfere. Mr. Douglas entered into a contract with a certain contractor to cart timber, and paid him advances. By our rules, the contractor receives vouchers with the timber when it is handed over at the forests, and those vouchers he has to get checked at our depôts in the plains where he delivers the timber, and he is not entitled to payment in full or a settlement of his accounts until he produces these vouchers (duly countersigned by the Depôt Clerk) at the Deputy-Conservator's Office. This contractor has, I believe, carted all his timber, and money is due to him; but he mortgages his vouchers to certain brahmins, and then cautions the forest officer not to pay any one but himself. The mortgagees apply to the forest officer for the money, but he refuses to pay without a receipt in full from the contractor in addition to the vouchers, which is, of course, the usual proceeding. The mortgagees now bring this action.

* As early as possible.

No. 156. ORDER THEREON, 12th March 1872, No. 442.

Forests, No. 3.

As the time is too short to allow of further reference, the Government sanction the defence of the suit at the public cost, and authorize the employment of the Government Vakeel at Calicut to represent the Deputy-Conservator. The result of the suit will be reported in due course. The forest officer should, in his defence, state the amount due under the contract, and his readiness to pay it into Court to any person to whom the Court may direct payment.

2. The case has been very imperfectly placed before Government. In such cases, a copy of the plaint and a draft of the proposed answer should invariably accompany the application for leave to defend the suit.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Office of the Conservator of Forests

Ootacamund, 7th March 1872

No. 1034

From

Major R. H. Beddome

Conservator of Forests

To

W. Hudleston Esqr.

Offg Chief Secretary to Governt.

R.D.

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Your Most Obdt. Servant
R H Beddome Major
Conservator of Forests.

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From ~~No~~ 849.

The Consr. of Forests

To

The Offg. Chief Secy:

to Govt. R.D.

Dated 7th
Recd. 11th March 1872

No. 1031

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