Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 5th March 1873.

No. 37. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce, (Forests,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, 17th February 1873, No. 300:—

WITH reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I am directed to state for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council that on reviewing the establishments of the Forest Department under the Government of India it has been found that six of the Assistants recently sent out by the Secretary of State are in excess of the requirements of the department after allowing a wide margin for probable casualties, officers absent on leave, and the like; I am accordingly directed to inquire whether the Government of Madras would wish to receive any of these Assistants into the Forest Department of that Presidency, and if so, how many could be received. The Assistants are all trained and efficient men, and the Government of India offer them to the Government of Madras because they have not yet learnt any language, or acquired any special local knowledge, which would be lost by their transfer. If, however, His Excellency in Council would wish to have officers of more experience who have been longer in the department, the Government of India will endeavour to make arrangements for meeting those wishes.

To Government of Madras, No. 684 of 20th June 1872.
From Government of Madras, No. 1,022 of 2nd July 1872.

2. At the end of this year nine more trained Assistants are expected from England; I am directed to inquire how many of these will be required by the Government of Madras.

3. In conclusion, I am to explain that the Government of Madras might adopt the plan followed by the Government of India of placing all Assistants who are in excess of the sanctioned strength at the bottom of the List of Officers, and of designating them "Supernumeraries," to be absorbed on the occurrence of vacancies. In this department the annual casualties are estimated at about 8 per cent. on the total strength and supernumeraries to that amount usually retained.

No. 38. ORDER THEREON, 5th March 1873, No. 259.

Forest, No. 3.

REFERRED to Inspector of Forests for his remarks.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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No. 555.

From

The Govt. of India
Dept of Agrt. &c.

No. 300.

Dated 17th Febry. 1873
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No 259
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Inquires whether the Govt of Madras would wish to receive into the Madras Forest Dept any of the available six apprentices recently sent out by the Secy of State; &c.

For order - shall we
offer to Paddon?
Yes
7 March 73

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