Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
***8th March* 1873.**

No. 65. Read the following letter from the Inspector of Forests, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Ootacamund, 24th February 1873, No. 170.

With reference to the Government Order [illegible] instant, I have the honour to inform you that it is an error to suppose that the Anamallay teak planks are very irregular in shape. Although worked up with the axe they are, as a rule, almost as regular in form and thickness as if sawn.

2. Anamallay teak has always been considered in the Bombay market much more valuable than Birmah teak, and I have seen it quoted as much as one rupee per cubic foot more than the latter. The mode of preparation by which the heart-shake is avoided has always been considered to add much to its value; and one year, when the saw was largely used, the timber was pronounced to be much less serviceable for ship-building purposes. The heart-shake, I believe, exists more or less in all teak wherever it may be grown. All the Birmah teak logs that I have seen in this country have appeared to be whole trees squared up (not sawn); they must consequently be cut from trees 6 to 12 feet in girth, and have the shake in the centre. Our Anamallay logs or planks are often cut from trees 15 to 20 feet in girth, and almost always from trees upwards of 10 feet, and are too large to be simply squared up; the logs can, however, subsequently be sawn to any thickness of plank without any loss whatever.

3. With reference to price I fear that Anamallay teak can never compete with that of Birmah, as our land-carriage is so much greater; so that if the Dock-yard Authorities in England cannot recognize its superiority, I think the question of our department supplying it must be definitely settled in the negative.

No. 66. Order thereon, 8th March 1873, No. 273.

Forests, No. 7.

This report will be communicated to the Secretary of State.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Office of Inspector of Forests
Cotacamund 24th February
1873.

No. 1701.

From

Major R. H. Beddome.
Inspector of Forests.

To,

D. F. Carmichael Esq. Mc.
Secretary to Government
R. D.

Sir,

With preference to the Government Order No. 194 of the 19th instant, I have the honor to inform you that it is an error to suppose that the Anamallay Teak planks are very irregular in shape, although worked up with the axe they are as a rule almost as regular in form and thickness as if sawn.-

2.- Anamallay Teak has always been

carriage is so much greater,
so that if the Dockyard au-
thorities in England cannot
recognize its superiority I
think the question of your Depart.
supplying it must be defi-
nitely settled in the negative.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obed.t Serv.t

Gb 19 Feby 1873 pp 122-23.

Revenue-1872-73.

~~Forest~~ Department.

From No. 574.

The Inspector of Forests.

To, The Secretary to Govt. R. D.

Dated 24th } February 1873.
Received 28th }

No. 1701.

Enclosure None.

Subject

Submits the report called for in G.O. No. 194 of 19th February 1873.-

No. 273.

= This Report will be communicated to the Secy of State 8th March 1873 Dl. 3/3 -

No. 65-66

From Lt. Col. D. Pollock R.E. Conservator of Forests Bombay

To The Secretary to Government Revenue Department

Sir,

I have the honor to submit the report called for in G.O. No. 194 of 19th February 1873.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
D. Pollock Lt. Col. R.E.
Conservator of Forests

Bombay 10th March 1873.