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No. 5. Read the following letter from ARTHUR HOWELL, Esq., Deputy-Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, (Agriculture and Horticulture,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, 24th September 1874, No. 2,558 :—

In reviewing generally the cost of the operations connected with the cultivation of Cinchona in India, it has been noticed that convict labor was once largely employed on the Nilgiri plantations. To complete the review the Governor-General in Council will be glad to know the total number of days' labor performed by convicts from first to last and the amount charged as the value of the labor. If nothing was charged, it is requested that the estimated amount of the value of that labor according to the rates at which convict labor at Ootacamund is valued may be stated.

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 1st October 1874, No. 1,249.

Miscellaneous.

REFERRED to the Commissioner of the Nilgiris for report.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of the Nilgiris.

Eyd. F. R. Bantleman.

No. 2558

FROM

ARTHUR HOWELL, ESQUIRE,

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India,

Department of Revenue,

Agriculture and Commerce,

To

The Secretary to the

Government of Madras

Ootacamund dated 2nd September 1874.

SIR,

In answering generally the cost of the operations connected with the cultivation of Chinchona in India it has been noticed that convict labour was more largely employed on the Neilgherry plantations. To complete the returns the Governor General in Council would be glad to know the total number of days labour performed by convicts from first to last, and the amount charged as the value of the labour. If nothing was charged, it is requested that the estimated amount of the value of that labour according to the rates at which ordinary labour at Ootacamund is valued, may be stated.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Arthur Howell

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

No 1195

Rec: 18th Dec.

From

The Dep. Secy. to Govt. of India

Dept. of Revenue & Agriculture

Dated Dec. 5th 1874

Rec'd 14th Dec. 1874

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Requesting to be informed of the total number of days labour performed by convicts from first to last and the amount charged as the value of the labour, and requesting that if nothing was charged the calculated amount of the value of that labour according to the rate at which convict labour at Betiah could be obtained may be stated.

No 1249

Referred to the Commissioner of the Northern Div. for report

HHC

Dec 15th 1874

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