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No. 164. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th September 1874, No. 2,558, Forest No. 157:—

Read again—

Board's Proceedings, dated 30th June 1874, No. 1,629, Forest No. 87.

Read the following letter from H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Kudremuk, 16th May 1874, No. 912:—

WITH reference to the Government Order, noted in the margin, I have the honor to state that the trees producing wood-oil, grow spontaneously in the Uppinangady Taluq, along the foot of the Ghauts. They are either male or female. The former yield no oil, nor do the latter when very young and when the trunk is less than eight feet in circumference.

Dated 19th December 1873, No. 1,463, communicated in Board's Miscellaneous No. 3-180, of 10th January 1874.

2. The oil is obtainable at all times of the year except during the monsoon. An incision is made in the trunk of the tree, deep enough to reach the pith, and the matter that oozes out during the term of about four days is collected and used after being liquified by heat.

3. The quantity that can be had from the best tree does not exceed a maund.

4. The trees thus operated upon are not capable of producing the oil a second time, although they do not die away for some years.

5. The oil is generally used as varnish for painting doors, windows, and ceiling planks, etc. It is believed to preserve timber from destruction either from the ravages of white ants or from wet.

6. The growth of these trees is confined to very few localities, and the Hill men (*Malekudis*) are the only people that manufacture the oil. To prevent destruction of the trees, it will probably be sufficient to notify to the villagers concerned that unauthorized extraction of the oil in future will be punished.

7. I have the honor to inquire if I am to issue such a notification. It will be seen from the last paragraph of my former report, embodied in Government Proceedings, dated 19th December 1873, No. 1,463, that I do not advocate Governmental intervention at present.

REFERRED to the Inspector of Forests for his opinion.

Read also the following letter from CAPTAIN CAMPBELL WALKER, Officiating Inspector of Forests, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Courtallum, 30th July 1874, No. 220:—

WITH reference to Board's Proceedings, Forest No. 87, dated 30th June 1874, I have the honor to state that the Notification suggested by the Collector appears advisable if the trees producing the wood-oil, which I presume are a species of *Dipterocarpus*, are to be preserved from destruction. In any case it could do no harm.

2. Referring to Board's Proceedings, dated 3rd December 1873, Forest No 78, and G. O., No. 1,463 of 19th December, neither of which would appear to have

been communicated to this office, I would observe that the Forest products of South Canara are believed to be very valuable, and I should feel obliged if the Board would request Mr. Thomas to call for, and submit a full report on the matter from the Deputy Conservator of Forests of his district.

3. I can scarcely believe that it is impossible to collect the Cardamoms as stated by Mr. Thomas, in paragraph 2 of his letter of 25th October 1873, and it appears a pity to lose such a valuable article of commerce.

4. From the general tenor of the Collector's letter, I imagine that we could offer the various tribes mentioned in paragraph 4 better prices for collection than they now obtain, and still secure a considerable revenue to the State.

5. I have not the list of the Forest products submitted to Government, with the Proceedings already quoted, No. 78 (Forest) of 3rd December 1873, a copy of which I have the honor to request may be supplied.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to G. O., 19th December 1873, No. 1,463.

2. The Collector of South Canara explained with reference to the destruction of trees producing wood-oil, that the oil is obtained by making an incision in the tree and that the tree dies away some years afterwards. He thought the destruction might be prevented by notifying that the unauthorized extraction of the oil in future will be punished.

3. The Inspector of Forests thinks the Notification should be issued, and the Board agree with him, and resolve to instruct the Collector accordingly.

4. There is some force in the remarks in paragraph 2 of the Inspector's letter, and he should discuss the subject with Mr. Thomas when he visits South Canara.

5. A copy of the list referred to in paragraph 5 will be sent to the Inspector. The Government Order and Board's Proceedings mentioned in paragraph 2 have already been communicated to him.

No. 165. ORDER THEREON, 15th October 1874, No. 1,325.

Forests No. 9.

THE Collector should report the native and botanical names of the trees producing the wood-oil and whether they are of any other use. If valuable their propagation seems advisable and this point should also be noticed.

2. He is at liberty to issue a Notification regulating the extraction of the oil from trees growing in forests undoubtedly the property of Government but care must be taken not to trespass on private rights or unduly to restrain long established privileges.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

Govt. of 1874 Collectorate
REVENUE.

No.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

&c., &c., &c.

Dated October 15th.

Read.

G. O., 15th October 1874, No. 1,825.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 164-165.

Trees producing wood-oil, South Canara District.—Directing the Collector to report [illegible] native and botanical names of the—, also whether [illegible] their propagation is advisable, and permitting [illegible] the issue of a Notification regulating the extraction of the oil from trees growing in Government forests, with certain reservations.

Rs. 12 May 1875

FOREST, No. 87.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 30th June 1874, No. 1,629.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary

To the Inspector of Forests.

Copy to the Collector of South Canara.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

1874.

Board of Revenue.

MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 30TH JUNE 1874, No. 1,629.

Encl.

JUNE.

Forest No. 87.

Wood-oil.—Explanation of Collector of South Canara, regarding alleged destruction of trees for, and suggestion as to means for preventing it, referred to Inspector of Forests for his opinion.

FOREST No. 157.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 10th September 1874, No. 2,558.

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 30th June 1874, No. 1,629, Forest 87.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

J. Grose
Secretary.

To the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with copy of Board's Proceedings, dated 30th June 1874, No. 1,629.
,, the Officiating Inspector of Forests, with copy of list of Forest products.
Copy to the Collector of South Canara.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

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Original of this was
sent with Bd's No
dated 18th Sept 1874

N°. 3297.

N° 1352

Revenue 1874. Department

Board of Revenue,

MADRAS.

G.O. 16 March 73 Nos 1-2
— 19 Dec 73 Nos 178-179

PROCEEDINGS, 10TH SEPTEMBER 1874, No. 2,558.

Dept 18 Sept N° 174.
Encl. 1

S.O. No 1325 - 16 October 1874

Received 19 September 1874.

SEPTEMBER.

FOREST No. 157.

Wood-oil—Collector of South Canara instructed to issue Notification to the effect that unauthorized extraction of — from trees, in future will be punished.—Inspector of Forests to discuss subject of value of forest products in South Canara District with Collector when he visits district.—Copy of list of Forest products in district, forwarded to Inspector of Forests.

For orders

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C 25th Sept 74 Ret Ack

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

C No. 3297 / 1875

From Pres. Bd. of Rev.

Dated 10th Septr. 1874.

FOR ORDERS.

that the trees ought to be used — But
therefore the extraction requires re-
gulation rather than prohibition
Care must be taken that re-
striction is not extended beyond
prest-what are undoubtedly the
property of Ors- Private indi-
viduals must be left to manage
their own properties according to
their own discretion

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I agree: but only as the condition
suggested by Mr Robinson, that the

Notification shd be addressed
limited to Forests which
are under the proposed
Govt that is to Forest Reserves
Govt to the Forests which
have been formerly the
private property of individuals
to the exclusion of the public
& of which the Govt
have been bought of those
individuals by the Govt

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FOR ORDERS.

C 25th Sept. 1874 Rec'd

Revenue Depart

No 1325

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 5th Oct. 1874.

Read the following
Proceedings of the Board
Revenue

Communicating orders
upon prohibiting the extraction
of wood oil pond trees in South
Canara.

(Here under 10th Sept. 1874 No 3558)

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Botanical

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right [or in duty bound to restrain long established privileges.] Sol.

14 Feb 1825 Read Dec 2 Ord

This should
will be omitted
There can be no
such privilege
as destroying trees
that do not belong
the Destroyer.

Sol
12./10.

Let the Def. Stand
long prescriptions of Lords
Com. not to be disturbed
13/10 Bill

Judge with
the Palatine
12/14/10

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1825