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To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
AGRICULTURE, AND COMMERCE.

Forests, No. 13.

Letter from Secretary to Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 28th November 1870.
Letter from Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, dated 19th February 1872.

SIR,—I am directed to inform you, with reference to the subject of communications noted in the margin, that the Government of Madras, after full consideration, is forced to the conclusion that the Draft Forest Bill, prepared by Dr. Brandis, is altogether unsuited to this Presidency and to the peculiar conditions of forest-property therein.

2. This Government, however, is of opinion that the time has arrived when special legislation on the subject of forests should be no longer postponed, and, in view to the introduction of an Act into the local Legislative Council, where alone they consider that a subject so involved in local peculiarities can be properly discussed, they have nominated a mixed Committee of Revenue and Forest officials, together with certain Native gentlemen of position and ability, for the preparation of a Draft Bill.

3. In the selection of a Committee they have had in view the desirability of associating Revenue-officers of experience who have served principally in forest districts, and whose position has frequently brought before them the administrative question as regards the Presidency generally, with Forest officers who, to a practical experience of Indian forestry, add a thorough knowledge of the science in regard to its present development in Europe, including an intimate acquaintance with the systems of France and Germany. These Native associates will enable the Committee to keep in view the interest and right of the people.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) A. MACGREGOR,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Note with reference to the [illegible] by the U.S. Secretary to G.O. in Current No. 3495

It does not appear that we ever applied for the "Supplement to Capt. Walker's Travels through Penang" which is the publication now in question.

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Sir.

I am directed to inform you with reference to the subject of communications noted in the margin that the Govt of Madras after full consideration is not prepared to adopt the conclusion that a Draft Court of Revision is necessary for the Madras Presidency & the peculiar circumstances of that

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