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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
11th October 1875.*

Audit of Accounts.

No. 85. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 3rd July 1875, No. 1002:—

ABSTRACT.—Reviewing the report of the Botanical Gardens at Ootacamund for 1874-75 and observing that the Commissioner of the Nilgiris should have countersigned the statement of receipts and disbursements, certified to their having been duly supervised, and had the paragraphs of the report numbered before forwarding it to Government.

No. 86. ORDER THEREON, 11th October 1875, No. 1997.

It appears from the statement of receipts and charges on account of Sim's Park at Coonoor, from December 1874 to March 1875, that Rupees 5,196-7-9 were paid to the Superintendent and that he expended the whole amount.

2. Turning to the accounts rendered by the Accountant-General it is found that the amount disbursed during the year 1874-75 on account of the Park was Rupees 3,854-7-6, but from whence the difference of Rupees 1,342-0-3 was obtained is not shown. The Accountant-General will ascertain this and report it for the information of Government.

3. It does not appear from the aforesaid Proceedings that there has been any audit of the accounts of expenditure incurred. Funds seem to have been handed over by the Commissioner to the Superintendent, and he has furnished a statement showing that the money has been expended.

4. The Governor in Council is of opinion that there should be a proper strict audit, not only in respect of money expended on the Park at Coonoor, but of all money spent on the Nilgiris in connexion with the Government Gardens, Plantations, and Parks, and with this object he desires that the Accountant-General will report, in communication with the Commissioner of the Nilgiris, the forms of accounts which should be kept by those entrusted with the expenditure of money, and also on the expediency of some officer of the Account Department being deputed half-yearly for the careful scrutiny and audit of the accounts, and the submission of a report on the same to the Government in this department.

5. It would be desirable that the District Engineer, who is resident at Ootacamund, should be associated with the officer who may be appointed by the Accountant-General, in view to assisting him in forming an opinion on the prices paid and of the value of work done. On this point orders would be issued in the Public Works Department.

6. The audit of the accounts of the Lawrence Asylum might also be taken in hand by the same officer.

(True Extract.)

H. J. ...
Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department
" Commissioner of the Nilgiris
" Accountant-General, with Proceedings No. 1002.
" Public Works Department, with do.
" Director of Public Instruction.

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