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21st April 1876.*

No. 127. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel R. H. BEDDOME, Conservator of Forests, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund, 12th April 1876, No. 497:—

With reference to the G.O., No. 361, dated 11th March last, I have the honor

to submit a letter* from Mr. Douglas, the
Deputy Conservator of South Coimbatore,

and to request that the question of a siding at the Coimbatore Railway Station may be held in abeyance for the present. When I addressed the Board on the subject, I was led to believe that Mr. Douglas thought this siding much required; he now appears to have changed his opinion. It will be necessary to consider also the Bolampatty and Mettapolum timber (North Coimbatore Division) as well as any from Mr. Douglas's Division; but I think that the question should lie over until Mr. Douglas and Mr. Morgan can prove that the transactions would justify the expense.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From C. G. DOUGLAS, Esq., Deputy Conservator of Forests, Annamalai Range, to Lieutenant-Colonel R. H. BEDDOME, Conservator of Forests, Ootacamund, dated Coimbatore, 31st March 1876, No. 367.

FROM Board's Proceedings, dated 22nd February 1876, No. 523 (Forest No. 21), I observe that the necessity of a siding for the Coimbatore depot is still under discussion.

2. I understand that the construction of this work would be somewhat expensive, and am of opinion that, unless *all* timber is sold from the Coimbatore depot, our transactions will barely justify the outlay.

3. The idea of a depot siding emanated from me originally, but I was at the time under the impression that the Public Works Department timber would be sold here and not at Annamalai.

4. If the Public Works Department timber is in future selected at Annamalai and proper arrangements are made for its reception and despatch without unnecessary delay at Pothanore, there would appear no occasion for a depot there at all.

5. Hitherto timber for Madras and Beypore has, as General Walker remarks, been twice moved over four miles of rail, because of the defective arrangements for loading at Pothanore. I brought this to notice in 1873, but nothing seems to have been done, as lately on sending timber direct to Pothanore from Annamalai for the Public Works Department, I was induced by the representations of the Station Master to bring it on here, where there is a crane, &c.

6. I do not think a depot at Pothanore would answer; it might be a convenience to the Public Works Department, but an expense to this department, which the unprofitable rates obtained hitherto from the Public Works Department do not warrant. I do not think it would do so well as the depot at Coimbatore for the purpose of sales on the retail system which is about to be tried for the smaller scantlings. The depot here is conveniently situated for supervision; it has the advantage of being close to the station, and cannot escape the notice of merchants resorting to the Coimbatore market. At Pothanore a depot site near the station, if procurable, would be expensive and labor under the disadvantage of not lying in the neighbourhood of the local timber-yards.

7. I ought to mention that the draft of Mr. Wedderburn's letter, No. 22, of 25th January 1876, published with the Board's Proceedings under notice was sent to me for remark, and I agreed with him that a siding was not required if the Public Works Department were to take delivery at Annamalai, and that a depot at Pothanore was not at all desirable in the interests of

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this department. I was not aware of the correspondence to which the Collector's letter bore reference, so merely stated my views as requested.

8. I now regret I did not think of explaining my change of opinion to you as the Collector omits to notice it.

9. I would suggest a trial of one year to see whether the sales here are likely to warrant outlay on a siding.

No. 128.

ORDER THEREON, 21st April 1876, No. 522.

Forests, No. 11.

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works
Department in continuation of G.O.,
11th March 1876, No. 361.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Works Department.
„ the Conservator of Forests.
„ the Board of Revenue.

No 367

A namalai Dy. Forest Office.
Coimbatore 31st March 1876.

From

C. W. Douglas Esq.

Manager of Forests, A namalai District.

To

Lieut. Col. R. H. Beddome.

Conservator of Forests, Coimbatore.

Sir,

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4 If the D. & W. timber is in future

Cost. of 1876 Rs. 30000.

REVENUE.

To

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Rs. Rs. Rs.

Direct April 21st.

Recd.

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G.O., 21st April 1876, No. 522.

APRIL.

Nos. 127-128.

Siding at the Coimbatore Railway Station.
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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obed^t Serv^t.

Chas^r D. M. L. L.
D. Conservator

C. D.

Bringing to notice the
circumstances under which
the allowance of a siding
must in the Commission
defect may be deferred

No. 367

Dated 31st
Sept^r 22nd March 1906.
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To
The Director of Forests
J. H. M. L. L.
D. Conservator of Forests
C. H. M. L. L.

Encd.
In a letter No-497 of 12th April 76
from the Conservator of Forests
the Secretary to Govt. R. D.

No 1513/76.

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No 497-
From

Office of Conservator of Forests
Coimbatore 12th April 1876.

To, The Honorable R. A. Beddome
Conservator of Forests.

To, The Honorable D. F. Carmichael
Secretary to Government
R. D.

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No 367 dated
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^{Sir}
Your most Obedt. Servant,

To His Grace The Colonel
Conservator of Forests }

No 522

Communicated to the Father and
Sept. in continuation of 10th March 1876
No 561.

21 To the B. W. Sept. 11th May
21 The Conservation of Forests &
14 The Record of Dec. 5

21 April 1876

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The Forest of Forests
to the Conservancy to Govt.
Revenue Deficit:

Rated 12th
Reed: 17 { April 1876
No: 497
(Inclusive one)

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at the Conical stone Road.
any station may be
held in any case for
the present.

West side

No 522. 21 April 1876