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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

Revenue

DEPARTMENT-

G.O. No.
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Revenue Dept.

Dated

2-10-1877

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

2nd October 1877, No. 3,060.

Read the following paper:—

No. 21. From Surgeon-Major G. BIDIE, M.B., Superintendent, Government Central Museum, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 15th September 1877, No. 240.

HAVING recently met a gentleman who had accompanied the Livingstonia Mission to the interior of Africa, I was interested to learn that the Mission is equipped with artisans and gardeners, and thus in a position to teach the natives the useful arts of life as well as Christianity. He further mentioned that the members of the Mission are most anxious to introduce Cinchona, Tea, and Coffee culture, but had not hitherto been able to get the necessary plants or seeds.

2. It, therefore, occurred to me that the Madras Government might generously supply the materials necessary for starting these branches of industry, and thus confer a priceless boon on that remote part of the world. I have, therefore, the honor to recommend to His Grace the Governor in Council that the Superintendent of the Botanical Gardens, Ootacamund, be instructed to prepare and forward by rail to Bombay two small cases, one of which should be filled with young Cinchona, and the other with small Tea and Coffee plants. At the same time, he should forward a package of seeds of some of the hardier species of Cinchona and of Coffee, if available; and I would, meanwhile, collect and send, to be included in the parcel, the seeds of low-country useful plants.

3. The introduction of Cinchona into the portion of Africa occupied by the Mission, viz., to the south of Lake Nyanja, would be an incalculable blessing, as the whole of the low country, especially along the course of the Zambeze and lower parts of the shire, is a perfect hot-bed of fever. The site of the Mission station is at a considerable elevation above the level of the sea, and the climate is such as to lead me to expect that the plants mentioned can be successfully cultivated, more especially as their introduction will be in the hands of the highly-trained Mission gardener.

4. Should His Grace be pleased to sanction my request, I will ask the local Agent of the B. I. S. N. Company to arrange for the cases being carried free from Bombay to Zanzibar and Quillimane at the mouth of the Zambeze, from whence the Mission will arrange for their transport. I have asked the cases to be sent by rail to Bombay by Government, as their transfer by sea would so protract the length of the journey as to diminish greatly the chance of a successful issue to the enterprise. If permitted, I will communicate direct to Mr. Jamieson the address to be put upon the cases, and also arrange about the inclusion of the low-country seeds in his package.

No. 1,772.

TRANSFERRED to the Revenue Department for consideration and disposal.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
18th September 1877.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Chief Secretary.

No. 22.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd October 1877, No. 3,060.

Miscellaneous.

HIS GRACE the Governor in Council cordially approves the benevolent proposal made by Dr. Bidie, and desires the Commissioner of the Nilgiris will use every endeavour to make it successful. Seeds of Australian trees should accompany, and the Superintendent, Botanical Gardens, need not be limited to two wardian cases if more can be usefully sent.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintendent, Government Central Museum.
„ the Commissioner of the Nilgiris.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Conservator of Forests.

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Government Central Museum
Madras 15th September 1877

From
Surgeon Major G. Bidie M.B.
Supt. Government C. Museum

To
The Chief Secy to Government,
Public Department
Fort Saint George

Sir,

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Gentleman who had accompanied
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of Africa, I was interested to learn, that
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It therefore occurred to me
that

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REVENUE

THE SUPERINTENDENT GOVERNMENT
CENTRAL MUSEUM

Dated October 3rd

Recd

Encl

G.O. 2nd October 1877, No. 2009

OCTOBER
Nov. 21 22

Copy and Forward of Certificate, Certificate and Fee
for the Livingstonia Mission Station in Africa.
—Appropriating the necessary proposal made by
Dr. Bidie in connection with the purchase of — will
be sent to the Commissioner of the Museum to see
every endeavour to make it successful.

That the Madras Government might
generously supply the materials
necessary for starting these branches
of industry, and thus confer a priceless
blessing on that remote part of the world.
I have therefore the honour to recommend
to His Grace the Governor in Council,
that the Superintendent of the Botanical
Gardens Ootacamund be instructed
to prepare and forward by rail to
Bombay two wicker cases, one of
which should be filled with young
plants of the *Cinchona succirubra*, and
the other with small Tea & Coffee plants.
At the same time he should forward
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address

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No 1772

Transferred to the Revenue
Department for consideration &
disposal.

Wm. [unclear]
Chief Secretary

7th Saint George &
18th September 1877

To the Revenue Department -

Public 1877 Lett
Governor & Museum

1877

From
Jungfrau [unclear] [unclear]
with [unclear] [unclear]

To
The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department
Fort St George

Public 1877
Let 1877

Recommending the
disposal of the living animals
mission station in the interior
of Africa, a collection of seeds
of plants of Cereals
Coffee & Tea etc
Transferred.

Revenue Department

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Revenue 1877 Disposal
No 4059

From
Chief Secretary

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Dated 18th } September
Recd 18th }

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2-10-77 No 3060.

Transferring
letter from Sup^{te}
Govt Central Museum
recommending the disposal
of the living animals mission
station in the interior of
Africa, of a collection of
seeds and plants of
Cereals Coffee & Tea
&c.

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C. 15. Sep/77 R. 21. Sep/77
R. 12. Sep/77 R. 15. Sep/77
C. 17. Sep/77 R. 21. Sep/77

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Department for consideration &
disposal.

H. Saint Denis. 2.

[Signature]

Revenue Department

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 4009.

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From Chief Secretary.

Dated 18. September 1877.

FOR ORDERS.

[Signature]

I beg strongly to support
this benevolent proposal
I desire to see to
take every measure to
make it successful
Seed of Australia
trees etc. accompanying
I wish to confirm
in the case of
more etc. I will send
24/9 1877
I fully concur
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No 1772

Transferred to the Revenue
Department for consideration

7/10/77

Transferred:

Revenue Department

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FOR ORDERS.

Alcohol dispensed of guest
and plants of Carthage
Coffee + Tea 1/2 to 1/3
= Stone Mission Station 1/2

Ac 22/9/77 R 25/9/77
C 19/9/77 R 21/9/77

No 1772

Revenue Department

No 3060.

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 2^d ~~September~~ ^{October} 1877.

Read endorsement from
the Chief Secretary dated 18th
September 1877, No 1772, transcribing
letter from Superintendent Govern-
ment Central Museum recommend-
ing the despatch to the Livingstonia
Mission Station in the interior of Africa
of a collection of seeds and plants
of Cinchona, Coffee and Tea &c.

His Grace the Governor
in Council cordially approves
the benevolent proposal made
by Dr. Bidie and desires
that the Commissioner of
the Nilgiris will take every
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Gardens need not be limited

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QCC

21 Supd. Govt. Central Museum & Co.

3 Commr. Nilgiris

14 Brond of Revenue

21 Conservator of Forests

End

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C. 25 Sep/77 R. 2/10/77

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