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Countalun 30 June 1853.

C. J. Bird Esquire
Collector of Timeworth

Sir,

With reference to your letter
of the 28 instant, I have the honor to ac-
quaint you for the information of the
Board of Revenue that the extent of
land required by Mr. Neal & Self on the
Countalun Hills for the cultivation of
Coffee will be from 100 or 150 chains
in four or three different places or lots.

I have &c.

(S) C. H. R. Coeg.

/ True copy

(S) C. J. Bird
Collector

No. 1570.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 25 July — 1853.

Read the following

No. 138.

From. C. J. Bird Esquire
Collector.

To. D. Luncliffe Esquire
Sub Secretary to the Board of Rev.
Fort Saint George.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose copy
of a letter of this day from Mr. Loeg con-
taining the information required in extract
from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
of 20th Instant respecting the extent of land
on the Concallam Hills applied for by Messrs
Heale and Coeg. The 100 or 150 Chans mention-
ed in this letter are evidently intended only
as an Experiment and should the experi-
ment give promise of success the same
parties and others will of course seek to
extend the cultivation of Coffee over every
suitable spot on the Hill side.

2. The Board will observe on referring
to the map that the water from the
Hills.

Enclosed in
Letter No. 138.

Hills above Contallam begins at a very short distance from the eastern side to flow into Travancore and therefore if forest really promotes rain it behoves us to guard the little space we have with the utmost jealousy. For this reason it has for several years been the custom to prohibit the cutting of firewood and burning of charcoal in even the jungle which extends a few hundred yards from the foot of the Hills into the plain between the northernmost and the southernmost of the Hill streams which will be seen in the map to unite into one rivulet between Contallam and Tincanary.

3 The glens down which these Hill streams run are wooded to the top and 100 or 150 chains bear an insignificant proportion to the extent of forest. If therefore coffee bushes are believed to cause rain as much or nearly as much as forest trees, there is every reason to accept Messrs. Keale and Coe's application.

But if not as in case of the experiment, not being profitable we shall only have lost as much forest and in case of its proving successful strong requisitions will be advanced for permission to extend the plantations. I would not recommend compliance

Compliance with the present request.

Timorally
Tincanary
30 June 1853.

I have &c.
(Sd) C. J. Bird
Collector.

The Board do not consider that the fact of diminution of rain caused by clearing jungle has been sufficiently established to justify them in refusing permission to Messrs. Keale and Coe to attempt to introduce a measure calculated to expand the resources of the country. They therefore resolve to authorize the collector to accede to the application as far as 150 chains in extent.

(True copy & Extract)
(Sd) W. H. Bayley
Secretary.

(True copy)
J. R. R. R.
Sub-Secretary.

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Jm

Rev. Department

N^o 578.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 16 March/54.

N^o 46.

Read the following.

From C. J. Bird Esq^r
Collector.

L. W. & Bayley Esq^r
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

Sir,
With reference to extract from the
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue of 25th
July 1853 authorizing me to accede to the
application of Messrs Hale and Coq^r
for permission to clear jungle and make
Coffee plantation on 150 Chams of land
on the Gontallum Hills, I have the honor
to acquaint you that other persons have
applied to me for permission to extend
Coffee cultivation on the same Hills.
Among others the Son of the late Zamindar
of Chokkumpatty who lately purchased
3 of the Govt. Spice Gardens has asked for
permission to occupy 20 Chams of land
for the above purpose mostly in the
immediate

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to Govt. R. & D. Secy
No. 11438.

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immediate vicinity of his present garden.
In consequence ^{however} of the existence of an order
of 26 June 1844 passed by my Predecessor
C. B. Thomas Esq^r strictly prohibiting
the clearing of jungle and making
cultivation of any kind on the hills
in question, I have not felt myself
at liberty to accede to those requests.
But as it seems injudicious to refuse
a privilege to one party especially
a native of the country, which has been
accorded to another being European, I
have the honor to request the Board
authority to recall Mr Thomas' prohi-
bition above referred to and to entertain
in future applications for land to extend
coffee cultivation on the Courtallum
hills.

Trincomalee
18 Feb: 1854.

I have &c.
157 C. J. Per
Collector.

The Board of Revenue see no
objection to the Collector's cancelling Mr
Thomas' order of 26 June 1844, prohibiting

the clearance of jungle for cultivation
on the Courtallum hills and with reference
to their Proceedings of 25 July 1853, they
authorize him to comply with further
applications to a reasonable extent for
lands for coffee cultivation.

2. Should it ever appear to the Collector
that a limit ought to be placed on further
clearances, he will bring the subject
to the notice of the Board, who will
then issue such further orders as may
seem proper.

/True Copy & return of/
157 W. H. Bayley
Secretary.

/True copy/
157 W. H. Bayley
Sub Secretary.

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Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.
Dated 30 March 1854.

Read the following

No. 19.

From C. J. Bird Esq^r
Collector.

L. W. A. Bailey Esq^r
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

With reference to the Correspondence noted in the margin and
to Board 27 May 1853 }
From do. 20 June - - - }
to do. 30 do - - - }
From do. 25 July - - - }

reference noted in the margin and
to my letter of 18 ultimo, I have
the honor to transmit copy of
an application from Mr. Coq. at Tuticorin
of the 6 Instant, for permission to extend
the cultivation of Coffee adjacent to
the 10 Gardens he lately purchased
from Government on the Centallum
Hills, to the extent of 75 to 100 chains
and request to be favoured with the
orders of the Board on the Subject.

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8 March 1854

I have &c
C. J. Bird
Collector.

Inclosure in B. 8
To: to the Secretary
to Govt. R. O. 23 Dec 1853
To: R. O. 16438

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L. W. A. Bailey

Enclosure

C. J. Bird Esquire
Collector of Tinnevely.

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint
you that I am desirous of extending the
cultivation of Coffee adjacent to the 10
Gardens that I lately purchased from
Government on the Contallum Hill
I have to beg of you to make the requisite
application to Govt. to allow me to
open Forest for the above purpose to the
extent of 75 to 100 chains on the Sand
Hill and Site.

Intimation -
5 March 1854 }

I have &c
(Sd) C. H. R. Coeg

True Copy

(Sd) C. J. Bird
Collector.

Referring to their Proceedings
of 16 March 1854, the Board of Revenue
authorize the Collector to grant
to Mr. Coeg the additional quantity
of 75 to 100 chains of land applied
for

for by him.

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True copy & Extract
(Sd) W. H. Bayley
Secretary.

True Copy

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Sub Secretary.

Mis. No. 16438

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
Dated 3^d December 1877.

Read off. Memorandum
from the Under Secretary to Government
Rev. Department of 9th November 1877 No. 469
requesting to be furnished with Board's
Proc. quoted in para 2 of the letter from
the Collector of Timorilly recorded in
G.O. 21st Decr. 1876 No. 2116 relating to the grant
of land to Mr. Coey.

Ordered accordingly.

(True Extract)

J. W. Wms
Secretary

The Secretary to Government P.D.
with copies of Bd's Proc of 25 July 1853
16 March 1854 & 30 March 1854.

Ch
G.H.
J.W.

Encl. No. 138

Proc. to the Secretary

8 Jan. 1878 No. 2732

Proc. No. 16438

Rev. Secy
16 Dec 1877
L. H. Wms

Revenue 1871-84
No 50222
Proceedings of the

Board of Revenue
Dated 2nd Decr 1877
The 4th Decr 1877

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Showing that copies
of certain 182nd Nos relating
to the grant of land
to Mr. Long be forwarded
to the Government
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