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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

26th October 1878, No. 1,724.

Read the following papers:—

No. 272. From C. J. LYALL, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 6th August 1878, No. 323.

In forwarding the accompanying letter (to be returned) from the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg, No. 243-4 dated the 3rd ultimo, soliciting sanction to an expenditure of Rs. 39,822 during 1878-79 for the completion of the survey of the district of Coorg, I am directed to observe that, in the proposition statement which accompanies this letter, there is an item of Rs. 200 a-month as extra allowance to an officer of the Madras Survey party in Wynad for the additional charge of the Coorg Survey party on the withdrawal of its Assistant in charge, owing to the reduction and approaching completion of the work.

2. From the information now furnished, the Governor-General in Council is not able to judge whether the present work of the Madras Survey Officer is sufficient to justify the grant of an additional allowance of Rs. 200 a-month for the new work proposed to be committed to him; and I am therefore to request that, with the permission of His Grace the Governor in Council, the Government of India may be informed of the extent of the present work of that officer and the pay that he now draws.

3. I am further to inquire whether, in the opinion of His Grace in Council, it will be necessary to allow the Superintendent of the Madras Revenue Survey to continue to draw Rs. 200 a-month for the Coorg Survey, for general supervision, extra to the Rs. 200 which is to be given to the officer in Executive charge of the survey.

No. 273. From Lieutenant-Colonel A. DEC. SCOTT, R.E., Superintendent of Revenue Survey, to C. G. MASTER, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Chepauk, 26th August 1878, No. 2,988-128.

Referring to your Endorsement No. 1[illegible], of the 16th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I gave my careful consideration to the circumstances of the Coorg Survey at the time I made the recommendations which are alluded to in the letter of the Government of India under reply, viz., "that the officer carrying on the Wynad Survey should exercise general supervision over the Coorg detachment, receiving on that account from the Government of India an allowance equivalent to the difference of pay at Madras Survey rates, between the grade held by him and that immediately above it." This difference varies with different officers, and in the case of Captain Freeth, it would amount to Rs. 300 per mensem, as shown in the margin. Hitherto, the Coorg Survey detachment has formed the sole charge of a First Assistant Superintendent on a salary of Rs. 790 per mensem, the average monthly outlay on the survey being in the field about Rs. 3,480. Under the proposed arrangements with a field expenditure of Rs. 2,865 per mensem, the corresponding charge for the officer's supervision will be Rs. 300.

	Maximum as Military Officer. Rs.
Captain Freeth's pay as First Assistant Superintendent, Revenue Survey...	900
Pay of 2nd-Class Deputy Superintendent	1,200
Difference...	300

2. It was the circumstance that this department is in September next to commence the survey of North Wynad which rendered this economy possible. The Wynad detachment has been placed in charge of Captain Freeth, who has already proceeded to Manantoddy to make preliminary arrangements, and as nearly the whole of the Coorg surveyors will be at work next season in the South of the Province, he will be able, though not of course without considerable exertion and zealous devotion to his work, to supervise the Coorg detachment as well as that employed in Wynad. The immediate control of the Wynad detachment and the management of the survey and demarcation which is about to be undertaken, would usually be considered a sufficient charge for an officer of Captain Freeth's rank. The monthly expenditure will average Rs. 4,500, and, including Sub-Assistants, Surveyors, Peons and Measurers, the strength of the detachment will amount to about 170 subordinates. I am, however, confident that this officer can exercise a salutary control over the subordinates who will be at work in his neighbourhood in Coorg. He was formerly in charge of that survey and knows the country. If, however, his responsibilities are increased in the manner proposed, I think it will be fair to grant him the moderate increase to his salary which would result from the acceptance of my proposition. The whole expenditure controlled by him will be quite equal to that ordinarily attributed to a Deputy Superintendent's party in Bengal, and in point of fact the rate of expenditure in Coorg on subordinate establishment will be for the time it is at work equal to that of former years. Captain Freeth's salary is at present Rs. 900 per mensem, and with the addition asked for it be equivalent to that of a Military 2nd-Class Deputy Superintendent in this Department.

3. The Government, in their reference under reply, require me to state what is the nature of the duties of the Superintendent in connection with the Coorg Survey. I beg to state that the Superintendent exercises over the Coorg Survey detachment the same control as he does over Survey parties employed within the Presidency. He issues detailed instructions for the disposal of the men during the recess, and for their re-assembly at the opening of the season. Periodical reports of expenditure and progress are furnished by the Assistant Superintendent, which are subjected to his scrutiny and check. He disposes of appeals from subordinates and of all questions regarding the conduct of the survey which are referred to him. The maps are printed, stored in and supplied from the Central Office as required, and under arrangements regulated by him. But in addition to this and in excess of what is usual, the whole of the computations of traverses and areas, the plotting of the fieldwork and the compilation of the maps are carried on in the Central Office, Madras, under his direction, it being impracticable to perform the work expeditiously and economically in the office of the Assistant Superintendent in Coorg.

4. It is expected that the fieldwork connected with the survey of Coorg will terminate within the next season ending on the 15th May 1879. The office work, including the printing of the maps will necessary continue for some little time longer, but the monthly rate of expenditure will, of course, be small.

No. 274. ORDER THEREON, 26th October 1878, No. 1,724.

Miscellaneous.

COLONEL SCOTT's letter will be communicated to the Government of India, with reference to their letter No. 323, dated 6th August 1878.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

Exd. A. Raitt.

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For orders

From Sec. of India
Sec. Dept. No 323
re Supt. Red. Survey
2nd Sec. Dept. No 2948
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It is proposed by the Chief Commissioner of Coorg to entrust the supervision of the Coorg Survey to the officer of the Madras Survey in charge of the work in Coorg and to allow him Rupees 200 a month for this work.

2. Since 1863 an officer of the Madras Revenue Survey has always been at work in Coorg & has been paid from the Revenues of that Province. The field work appears to be now somewhat

Vide F.O. 12th May 62 No 1044
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1st Sept. — — 1856.
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26th — — — 161
& Letter to Comptroller
26th Jany 63 No 161
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Contracted & Col: Scott thinks its supervision does not require the services of an officer. He therefore proposal to entrust it to Capt. Trotter who knows, has worked in, & who is now in charge of the party working in North Wynaad.

3 Do this the Govt of India write to ask if the Wynaad officer's "present work" ..... "is sufficient to justify the grant of an additional allowance Rs 200 a month for the new work proposed to be committed to him". & also whether in the opinion of

Govt. they ought per haps wait a few months longer but not so long as we are in Nilgiris.

This is an unintelligible arrangement. Letters from Mr Morrison ask this Govt. or ascertaining their views. Head of the Dept. offers his services & one of our officers to the Govt. of India — as it happens his proposals traverse the intentions of Govt. This Govt. has decided to restrict expenditure in this dept. & to make more rapid execution of its work where valuable & defer all other resumption of the Survey of Wynaad — but Col Scott assures them that resumption will take place in October

Govt. should take the G. I. that as an early arrangement is agreed on between Madras & that Govt. for the completion of the Nilgiris

4 The first point having been referred to Col Scott he thinks that ordinarily the Wynaad work would fully occupy an officer but that Capt. Trotter from his energy & knowledge of both countries is able he believes to exercise a salutary control over the subordinates who will be at work in his neighbourhood in Coorg" & that he

this Govt. "it will be necessary to allow the Supt. Madras Res: Survey to continue to draw Rs 200 a month — for general supervision of the Coorg Survey

5 The last point referred to the Government is whether a Gazetted allowance to the Wynaad officer.

thinks he should receive for this enlarged charge the pay of the grade above that he is now in, the Govt. of India paying the difference which in Capt. Watts case will amount to Rs 300 a month.

5 This would be sufficient to settle the matter & the information will be furnished to the Govt. of India but that as a recent paper the Government have apparently decided to put a stop to the Wynaad Survey.

It has however been ascertained that the Wynaad party has been at work since the middle of August

Some disorder & absence of Depart. discipline of which serious notice should be taken. There seems to have been delay in getting the orders out - amongst the necessary processes of the Secretariat & apparently the orders are not yet out

Col Scott has no doubt called on to resume the operation in addition of orders - and Govt. direct him to send the thy. forthwith - unless the Govt. can give orders we should not get orders & that when a party is told employed in a District it takes about 6 months to arrange beforehand for its satisfactory employment. The papers in question have been sent to Madras for some information & the receipt of which they will be necessary calculated for definite orders, but it is presumed, that under the circumstances stated above & in the absence of Col Scott the Wynaad party will be left to do its work this season i.e. until February. In this case Col Scott letter as far as Capt Watts

On no account does - The Govt. wish to undesirable & work else stop awaiting - Col Scott should be required to explain his action - & on the present time orders to go at once & desist

is concerned may
go on to the Sr. Public
with it is presumed
the support of this
Government.

6 Here remains
the question as to
Col: Scotts own
allowance for the
Coorg Survey.

The Superintendence
of this Survey by
the Surveyor Gen: having
been permitted
by this Government
since 1853 but it
does not appear
that they concerned
themselves with
the question of the
remuneration to be
allowed to the Superin-
tendent by the
Coorg administration
now that their
opinion had been
asked some information

vide
G.O. 4th July 13 No 235
to Chief Comr. 17th July — — 358
G.O. 20th May — — 875

I suppose I shd have
drawn the warrant for
Rs 200 R. & Separate
if Survey — Ord as it may
be given it may be
entered —

I return it pending my
receipt of the
Survey Dep in form —
Would the copy have

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as to the work done
seemed to be required
so Col Scott was
asked to state
"the nature & extent
of his various duties in
connection with the
Coorg Survey & their
probable duration".

He reports in reply
that besides
the ordinary work
of the head of a Dept:
in the way of regulating
work & receiving offices
the maps are printed in
the Office supplied from
his office & that
"in addition to this
I have personally
attended to the whole of
the computations of
the traverses & areas, the
plotting of the field work
& compilation of maps —
— are carried on
under his direction."

7. It seems desirous
that Col Scotts work
should be increased now
that the Coorg Survey
is no longer to have the

entire services of an officer. At all events it will be less & he cannot be entitled to whatever amount he has been in the habit of receiving on this account.

Surveyor they are working cheaper in only paying Rs 300 & 200 for field superintendence instead of Rs 790 to a Captain &c. as hitherto.

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* Under the head of Surveys.

C. 20-9-78.
R. 23-9-78. RC 2-10-78.
RC 23-9-78 RC 10-10-78.
R. 27-9-78.
RC 25-9-78.
R. 7-10-78.

For order

Allowances &c
Roads &c for
Coorg Surv

Sd Lt Col C. J.

Surveys.

No. 323

FROM

C. J. LYALL, ESQUIRE,
Under Secretary to the Government of India,
Department of Revenue, Agriculture
and Commerce,

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of Madras.

Simla, dated the 6th August 1878.

SIR,

In forwarding the accompanying letter* from the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg No. 243/4 dated the 3rd ultimo soliciting sanction to an expenditure of Rs. 39,822 during 1878-79 for the completion of the survey of the district of Coorg, I am directed to observe that in the proposition stated in the statement which accompanies this letter there is an item of Rs. 200/- a month as extra allowance to an officer of the Madras Survey party in Wynaad for the additional charge of the Coorg survey party, on the withdrawal

* (to be returned)

withdrawal of its Assistant in charge, owing to the reduction and approach-ing completion of the work.

2. From the information now furnished the Governor General in Council is not able to judge whether the present work of the Madras survey officer is sufficient to justify the grant of an addi-tional allowance of Rs. 200/ a month for the new work proposed to be committed to him; and I am therefore to request that, with the permission of His Grace the Governor in Council, the Govern-ment of India may be informed of the extent of the present work of that officer and the pay that he now draws.-

3. I am further to enquire whether in the opinion of His Grace in Council it will be necessary to

to allow the Superintendent of the Madras Revenue Survey to continu to draw Rs. 200/- a month for the Coorg survey, for general supervision, extra to the Rs. 200/- which is to be given to the officer in executive charge of the survey.-

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Chas. Jas. Lyall
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Revenue 1878 Sept

No 3543.

From

The Govt of India

Dated 6
Rec'd 16 August 1878

No 525

Enclosures 2 & 1

Drd: Copies Income Letter of 16th Sept 78

Passing certain observations on letter from the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg, soliciting sanction to an expenditure of Rs 39822 during 1878/79 for the completion of the Survey of the district of Coorg.

Ordered that the following letter be despatched

L.C.

No 272

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No 2988/128

Revenue Survey Office
Chepauk
26th August 1878

From

The Superintendent Rev Survey

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Sir

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Pay of 2d Cap. Deputy Superintendent	1200
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Hitherto the Coorg Survey Detachment has formed the sole charge of a 1st Assistant Superintendent on a salary of Rupees 790 per mensem, the average monthly outlay on the Survey being in the field about Rupees 3480. Under the proposed arrangements with a field Expenditure of Rupees 2865 per mensem, the corresponding charge for the Officers Supervision will be Rupees 300.

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I have the honour to be
Your most obedt Servant
J. Hill Scott Colonel R.E.
Superintendent Revy Survey

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From

Revenue

The Superintendent ~~Madras~~ Survey.

To

The Secretary to Government

Rev Dept.

Dated 26

Despatched 27 August.

Received 29

Enclosure No.

General No. 2988

Departmental No. 128

Subject.

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No 1724

Order

Col: Scott's letter will be communicated.

Letter for Madras with reference to their letter No: 323 d: 6th May 78

Sec.

26 October 1878

Captain Scott to Superintendent Rev Survey.

Submits the report called for in regard to the present work of in charge of the Wynad Survey proposed for the additional charge of the Coorg Survey Party and the duties of the Superintendent in connection with Coorg.

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