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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

2nd May 1879, No. 976.

No. 68. READ THE FOLLOWING PAPER :—

Endorsement of the Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agricultural, and Commerce, (Agriculture and Horticulture), dated Simla, 11th November 1878, No. 291.

Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

Revenue,
No. 66.

INDIA OFFICE, LONDON,
3rd October 1878.

MY LORD,—I have received your Excellency's letters, No. 3 of the 8th February and No. 16 of the 22nd July last, the latter of which submitted opinions regarding Mr. J. W. B. Money's complaint of the action taken by Government in respect to the cultivation of Chinchona in the Madras Presidency, and on the question of leaving this cultivation to private enterprise.

2. So long a time having been allowed to elapse before replying to my predecessor's despatch forwarding a copy of Mr. Money's letter, I have not thought it desirable to call upon that gentleman to substantiate statements made by him in 1875, but he has been informed that neither your Government nor that of Madras are aware of any pledge having been given to the effect that the Government gardens would never be allowed to compete with private growers in the European market.

3. It is satisfactory to learn that the efforts made by the Madras Government to establish and extend the growth of private Chinchona plantations in the Nilgiris has, to some extent, proved successful, a fact which seems to be fully borne out by the increasing demand each year for plants and seeds.

4. Taking all circumstances into consideration, I am disposed to concur in the opinion that the plantations should, for the present at least, remain in the hands of Government, and efforts be directed chiefly to the establishment of a manufacture of a cheap and efficient febrifuge. It is, however, necessary that they should be self-supporting, and for this purpose there can be no objection to the disposal on the spot, if possible, at a fair price, of the surplus bark of each season's crop; but the shipments to this country for sale on Government account should, as you suggest, be limited to small parcels for the purpose of practically gauging the prices ruling in the home market.

5. I await with interest the report of the Committee appointed to consider the question of the future management of the Nilgiri plantations, and of the manufacture of febrifuge on the spot.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) CRANBROOK.

His Excellency the Right Honorable
The Governor-General of India in Council.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras for information with reference to the correspondence ending with its letter, No. 950, dated the 24th June last.

(By order)

(Signed) C. L. TUPPER,
Off. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT 2ND MAY 1879, No. 976.

No. 69.

ORDER THEREON, 2d May 1879, No. 976.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED with reference to despatch
to Secretary of State, No. 14, dated 14th
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(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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N^o 291. (Agriculture & Horticulture.)

Department of Revenue, Agriculture & Commerce.

Simla, the 11th November 1878.

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By Order,

C. L. Hopper,

Officiating Under-Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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