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Not to be folded or roughly handled

Jo.

August 9 - 1881

My dear Colonel -

Mr O'Shaughnessy has been  
in a good deal of annoyance  
the circumstances are these -  
I regret that <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ fact that I  
felt from Mr O'Shaughnessy - which  
was disappointing of his not being  
able to get plants & seedlings  
taken from the main nursery  
old & lost - or answering - I  
know by no means a pleasant  
note to write - and he had been  
in a state of complaint & distress  
because of his condition & the  
nursery, was sent to the point

explaining how the road was  
supplied to applicants - and  
the great demand there was for  
and that, having many hands  
(above told by the way to him to  
a civil & fairly loaded one) to  
only acting on orders - further - I  
said he was of course at liberty  
to do what he liked regarding  
his refusal of meeting to Mr. Davidson  
was in his past letter -

I then got the enclosed which  
he had to keep - and to day  
your doctor comes which he put  
upplied to be the Sec. Secretary's  
information - how I have to

steps that I can take officially  
in being my Mr. O'Shaughnessy to  
his bearing - but - request that you  
will lay the matter before the  
Secretary - so that he can be shown  
he is not in a position to do so -  
that of which he has been told  
to find out - saying that the  
probably be done to oblige the public  
as regard public plantation is done -  
but - his no hesitation in saying that  
prior to the R.D. having charge - there  
was lots of fruit to be seen - and naturally  
in a measure one can understand  
plus like the Japanese and so on  
glad to oblige people living here - and  
having some sort of influence -  
that the public are free to the public

and - its the style & tone of N.O.S.  
letter - and his meaning got ac-  
cumulation to the fact that  
I request you will kindly see  
me righted about - Personally - I can  
very quickly deal with N.O.S.  
but - I feel you will see first  
that he is especially dealt with  
to - Kindly let me have a  
reply as soon as possible -

Yours very sincerely -

Robert J. G. -

6-8-97  
My dear Major Loring  
Many thanks for  
your note about the  
Cinchona plants. I  
know there is great  
demand for them  
but I don't think the  
caption of saying just  
those who require them  
names for plants is  
fair to the public

or to Govt? and  
As the rules on this  
subject were framed  
before you took charge  
and probably with the  
sanction of Govt. I  
will write to Govt.  
about them.

Why should a man  
who registers his name  
for plants in your books  
be served first? and  
why should you keep

plants in your museum  
for him until it suits  
his convenience to take  
them away? Does  
he pay for having his  
name registered?  
Does he pay any portion  
of the cost of the plants  
in advance? and  
is he bound to take  
away the number  
of plants he applies  
for? I think not  
and I have reason  
to believe that applicants

are made for plants and  
registered in your books  
as a mere matter of  
speculation. By persons  
who sell the plants to  
Bona Fide planters,

First class. First class  
is in my opinion the  
fairest and the best  
way of dealing in this  
matter. And after  
considering the matter  
I will I hope agree  
with me in thinking so.  
Yours sincerely,  
W. H. H. H. H. H.

J.D. 493

10 Aug.

My dear Master

Before I  
am special at all I  
have this day sent  
you on V. docket  
in re of 'though-  
ness' letter about  
Cinchona plants.

I send herewith  
a note to Endorse  
from Prof. Dugg  
for any notice  
that you may  
think fit to take

Mr O'Hanlon  
has quite mis-  
represented facts  
to Govt, he had  
I consider no grounds  
for address / Govt  
at all, or for  
writing or drafts  
I go in the style  
of the enclosure

Yr sincerely  
R. D. Davidson

R. D.  
6 AUG 81

5-8-81

Dear Mr Davidson,  
and I venture to suggest that  
inquiring into the system by which  
Cinchona plants are <sup>now</sup> ~~issued~~ <sup>from</sup>  
the Govt Cinchona plantations might  
be of benefit to the public &  
proprietary Govt. It appears that  
applications for plants & seed are  
now registered and that no one  
whose application is not registered  
will get either plants or seed  
except those whose applications  
are registered are fully supplied  
but there is no provision for  
registration and it is not

Registers are not bound to take  
the number of plants for which  
they apply so that at the end  
of the season it may and probably,  
does happen that a number of  
plants are left at the plantations  
which registered applicants have  
not taken - while the innocent  
or the ignorant who does not  
register are sent away unserved  
and disappointed.

I have reason to believe  
that some estate agents here  
who have not a square foot  
of land in the world register

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Applications for sales of plants on  
the off chance that some of their  
constituents may want them  
and I who want only a few  
thousand for my little garden  
cannot get a plant until  
these speculative individuals  
are supplied, and there are  
others ~~so~~ treated in the same  
way as I am.

As I am writing on this subject  
I may mention that the outcry  
against the difficulty & cost of  
getting plants from the Botanical  
Gardens is very great and  
general. Yrs very sincerely  
H. W. H. H. H.

REVENUE (188 ) DEPARTMENT.

No. 4033.

From

M<sup>r</sup>. J. O'Shaughnessy

Dated

Recd.

5<sup>th</sup> } Aug<sup>r</sup>  
6<sup>th</sup> }

No.

SUBJECT.

Suggesting that if an enquiry is  
into the system by which Cincho-  
na plants are now issued from the  
Govt. Cinchona Plantations it  
may prove beneficial to the public &  
profitable to Govt.

Forwarded

Forwarded for the  
remarks of the Conser-  
vator of Forests

Quarantez,  
Secretary to Govt.

Ostacumund,  
6<sup>th</sup> Aug/83

No. 192

From

Major R. L. Jago

M<sup>r</sup>. Conservator of Forests.

in charge of Govt. Cinchona  
Plantations

To

Colonel R. H. Beddome

Conservator of Forests

Ostacumund.

Sir,

In returning herewith the  
endorsement of the Revenue Secretary  
to Government dated 6<sup>th</sup> instant  
and M<sup>r</sup>. O'Shaughnessy's letter of the  
5<sup>th</sup> idem, I have the honor to  
inform you, that under the present  
system, all applications for Cinchona  
seed or plants, which are accompanied  
by a remittance are received and  
registered in the order of their

Dates

dates with reference to the probable quantity of each variety of seed or plants estimated to be available each season and the applicants are then supplied in their turn.

All applications without a remittance are answered immediately, laying their names will be registered on payment. This obviates the difficulty which Mr. O'Shaughnessy supposes to exist in the Department (vide page 2 of his letter).

I have thought it expedient to adopt the system of requiring payment of value before registration and removal, on finding that the credit system previously in force has resulted in a heavy loss to Govt. I may mention that, at the close of the past official year,

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a sum of Rupees 400-... due by purchasers of Chincona seed and plants from the Dodabett plantation alone, was reported to be irrecoverable thus entailing on the officer in charge unnecessary additional work by way of Correspondence &c with such defaulters.

3. In Conclusion, I beg to mention that the present system works well and to the satisfaction of all concerned. Up to this date, I have had no other complaint in the matter, saving that from Mr. O'Shaughnessy and I regret to have to remark that the statements in his letter from the beginning to the end appear

to

to have been made under a  
gross misapprehension of facts.

I have the honor to be  
Sir

Your most obedient servant

H. J. Mac - Major

Off. Conservator of Forests in  
charge of Govt. Cinnamon  
Plantations.

Govt. Cinchona plantations  
1892

From

Major R. S. Jago

Off. Conservator of Forests  
in charge of Govt. Cinchona  
plantations

To

The Conservator of Forests  
Ootacamund

Enclosures 2

Recd 9<sup>th</sup>  
Sept 9<sup>th</sup> } August 1881  
Recd

Subject

Submitting remarks on Mr.  
O'Shaughnessy's letter about  
supply of Cinchona seed  
and plants to the public

Recd 12/10/81

No: 494

Office of Conserv. of Forests  
Ootacamund, 10<sup>th</sup> August 81

From,

Colonel R. F. Beddome,  
Conserv. of Forests

To,

C. G. Master Esquire,  
Secretary to Government,  
Revenue Department  
Ootacamund.

Sir,

Referring to your docket  
No 4033 of the 8<sup>th</sup> instant for-  
warding for my remarks, a  
\* herewith returned letter from Mr. O'Shaughnessy  
regarding the supply of Cinchona  
plants from the Government  
plantations, I have the honor  
to forward a letter of explanation  
from Major Jago, the Officer in  
charge of the Cinchona Depart.,  
which I think full explains the  
case.

I have the honor to be  
Sir

Your most obedt. servt.

R. F. Beddome Colonel  
Conservator of Forests

Revenue 1881 Depart.

No. 4/21  
Rev. Forests

1881-82.

Rev. G. O. Sanyal

From

The Conservator of  
Forests

To  
The Secretary to  
Govt. R. D.

Dated 10<sup>th</sup> August 1881.  
Received 10<sup>th</sup>

No. 4/94

Enclosure, 100.

W. H. R. Sullivan

Conservator of Forests

Subject

Supply of Cinchona  
Plants.

Forwarded a letter of  
explanation from  
Mapi Jago on the  
from Govt. Plantations

With an order...

Despatch  
No. 100  
to 20/8

W. H. R.

30 August 1881

To J. O. Sanyal  
The Conservator of Forests

Note. With reference to the  
further d. o. correspondence  
enclosed it seems un-  
necessary to take any  
notice of Mr. Reddon's  
advice or Jago's suggestion.  
Mr. O. Sanyal's remarks  
had reference to a previ-  
ous practice which he  
did not know had been  
changed. There is no  
doubt with which I  
can find fault.

W. H. R.  
10/9/81