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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	760	Press Mis.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following letter from Major J. C. WALKER, Conservator of Forests, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund, 4th July 1882, No. 413-A—C :—

In my letter, No. 213-C, dated 7th June 1882, submitting Mr. Rowson's resignation of his post as Assistant Superintendent, Government Chinchona Plantations, I stated that on receipt of orders I would submit proposals for the arrangements consequent on his retirement.

2. Government in their Order, No. 1943, dated 19th June 1882, having accepted Mr. Rowson's resignation, I have the honor to submit a letter, No. 175, dated 21st June, with three enclosures (all in original to be returned), from the Deputy Conservator containing his suggestions for the amalgamation of the Forest and Chinchona Offices, the revision of establishments, and assimilation of nomenclature and rates of pay of subordinates which have the concurrence of the Collector, through whom they were submitted, and myself.

3. Mr. Gass' letter explains itself, and the three statements exhibit clearly the proposed as compared with the present sanctioned establishments and their distribution, Nos. 1 and 2 showing the Forest and Chinchona Establishments separately, and No. 3 the amalgamated scale.

4. I should state that the matter has been under discussion for months with Colonel Jago, who was strongly in favor of a more complete amalgamation in the office and working establishments, and the augmentation in the Forest Protective Establishment; and that since Mr. Gass' assuming charge we have gone into the subject together and matured the proposals in a manner almost identical with that suggested by Colonel Jago before his departure.

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8. Under *Forest* it is proposed to bring the establishment up to the sanctioned scale, Rs. 387 per mensem, and provide an extra establishment costing Rs. 49 per mensem for the South-East Wynaad, a portion of the district which is becoming daily more important in connection with the gold mining industry, and for which we have hitherto had no establishment, which rendered it difficult for the Deputy Conservator to dispose of applications for forest land referred under the orders of Government, dated 9th April 1879, No. 825, and prevent unauthorized alienation and clearing.

9. On assuming charge of the Conservator's office, I found that the Forest Establishment of the Nilgiri Division, which includes the plateau and slopes, Mudumallai, Segur and South-East Wynaad, had been reduced to a minimum because the revenue had decreased consequent on a slack demand for timber and other causes which it does not appear necessary to specify here. This was not done with Colonel Jago's approval or that of the Collector (then Commissioner), who it will be observed remarks on Mr. Gass' letter that he is "glad to note the increase under Forest Guards."

10. Forests must be protected whether they are worked or yielding a surplus revenue or not, and nowhere is protection more imperatively necessary than throughout the Nilgiri Division.

I have no doubts as to our being able to maintain an equilibrium between the receipts and expenditure of the division; the forest revenue for last official year having been Rs. 34,677-12-1 against an expenditure of Rs. 34,489-5-0, including the excess Military pay of Colonel Jago, whilst the revenue from Chinchona is entered as Rs. 5,72,003-5-10 against an expenditure of Rs. 1,14,075-15-4, and under proper management and the advent of a railway a steadily increasing surplus from the plantations and Mudumallai forests may be looked for, not to mention the revenue from sandalwood at Segur, from bamboos and jungle-wood from the lower slopes towards Coimbatore, and the demand which is springing up for timber in South-East Wynaad.

11. I have, therefore, under the general powers granted me by G.O., Nos. 535 and 536, dated 22nd May, promoted Mr. T. M. Newman to be a Sub-Assistant Conservator (temporary), and authorized Mr. Gass to bring the establishment up to the sanctioned scale of Rs. 387 per mensem, which will enable him to place a responsible officer (the Sub-Assistant) in charge at Coonoor and entertain a reasonable number of Foresters and Forest Guards.

12. The present orders of Government, dated 8th January 1880, No. 33, divide the responsibility for the slopes towards the Coimbatore District between the Nilgiri and Coimbatore Forest officers, but this arrangement is found impracticable. The Collector of the Nilgiris and the Forest Officers of both districts concur with me that, however the slopes may be worked, their protection must be entirely in the charge of the District Forest Officer, who under the orders of the Collector can alone do it justice, and with the assistance of the Revenue officials "not only detect encroachments but prevent them." I have written to the Collector of Coimbatore on the subject, and on receipt of his reply I shall address Government with a view to their rescinding or modifying the order quoted above.

13. The necessary establishments to be employed under the Sub-Assistant at Coonoor, Kotagiri, Kolakambai, and Kartari are provided for in the scale now submitted as well as those required for Ootacamund, Mudumallai, Segur, and South-East Wynaad, for the last of which only, viz., Rs. 49 per mensem, I ask for a special sanction, the amount to be met from savings under the Chinchona budget for the present year.

14. The whole are detailed in Statements Nos. 1 and 3, the total cost of the proposed amalgamated establishments (exclusive of the Forest Sub-Assistant and his office establishment, which is otherwise provided for and not affected by these proposals) being Rs. 1,271 as against the sanctioned scale of Rs. 1,294 per mensem, being a saving of Rs. 23 per mensem, whilst we shall, I feel sure, secure economy in planting operations, both Chinchona and Eucalyptus, and greatly enhanced protection and improvement of the forests and the revenue to be derived from them.

15. I approve of the proposal contained in paragraph 7 of Mr. Gass' letter regarding horse allowance and batta to the Upper Subordinates of the Chinchona plantations, and solicits sanction under the conditions of Circular No. 1 of 1881-82, copy of which is attached for information.

16. I propose to employ the gardener referred to in the concluding paragraph of the Deputy Conservator's letter as a Gardener Superintendent, without any executive duties, but in charge of propagation, hybridization, and all cultural operations under the orders of the Deputy Conservator, who will himself of course continue to act in accordance with the wishes of the Collector of the district in all local matters.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter from H. A. GASS, Esq., Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nilgiri Division, to the Conservator of Forests, through the Collector of Nilgiris, dated Ootacamund, 21st June 1882, No. 175.

With reference to your letter, No. —, dated the 13th instant, I have the honor to submit a revised scale of establishments for the management of Forest and Chinchona plantations under my charge and for the conduct of the work connected therewith at my office.

2. In framing the scale the principle enunciated at the close of paragraph 1 of your letter has been kept in view. The scale does not include the Upper Subordinate officers of the Forest Department, as provision is made for such staff direct from your office. The present men in service coming under the above designation, viz., a Sub-Assistant Conservator and a Ranger in charge of Coonoor, Kotagiri, Kartari, and the slopes and of Segur and Mudumallai Forests, respectively, will be continued on the present revised scale being sanctioned and introduced.

3. *Deputy Conservator's Office.*—At the Deputy Conservator's office the distinction between the Chinchona and Forest establishments is no longer recognized, and the staff now provided is intended for the combined work and is sufficient both in numbers and in regard to the pay assigned. For the sake of comparison, both the Chinchona and Forest office establishments are however shown separately in the scale. The cost hitherto of the former has been Rs. 151 against Rs. 141 now proposed, and that of the latter has been Rs. 134 against Rs. 128 now proposed.

4. *Forest Work.*—For out-door forest work, including the Ranger's office establishment, there has been a staff costing Rs. 253 per mensem. The changes now proposed will cost Rs. 308. The increased charge of Rs. 55 is intended to provide for the conservancy of the Nilgiri slopes and the forests in South-East Wynaad; the responsibility as regards the former is now divided between the Coimbatore and Nilgiri Deputy Conservators—an arrangement found in practice to be very inconvenient and inefficient. There is now no establishment whatever for forest work in South-East Wynaad. Much difficulty has been experienced in inspection and control of unlawful clearings and in disposal of applications for land referred to us by the Revenue Department for report—*Vide* G.O., dated 9th April 1879, No. 825, Revenue Department.

The net charges of the Forest Establishment (including the Deputy Conservator's office) as proposed will be Rs. 436 against the sanctioned scale of Rs. 387 a month; thus the net increase of cost involved in the proposed revision for reasons explained above is Rs. 49 per mensem, which amount may however be met from the savings of Rs. 72 made in the proposed scale of the Chinchona establishment.

5. *Chinchona.*—The nomenclature of the officers in charge of the plantations is altered in the scale and now corresponds with that in use in the Forest Department, and the pay proposed is in accordance with that provided for the same grade of officers in that department and is intended to meet that drawn by experienced men now employed in the Chinchona Department. The pay of the Ranger, Wood Estate, was however fixed at Rs. 70 as a special case. The Sub-Assistant in charge of Dodabetta plantation will have supervision of the "Wood Estate" as long as Government wish to retain it, as this estate is more easily accessible from Ootacamund at

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8. The names of men to be put in charge of the ranges, &c., need not here be mentioned. On the present scheme being sanctioned, separate proposals will be submitted for your approval, when the qualifications of the various subordinates will be considered.

	Pay.	Travelling Allowance.	Total.
The late Mr. MacIvor drew as Superintendent.	Rs. 500	+ Rs. 90	= Rs. 590
Deduct amount now drawn by the Deputy Conservator in charge, as per G.O., 8th December 1880, No. 1670.	150	+ 50	= 200
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9. The pay of the gardener expected from England may be met from the unutilized portion amounting to Rs. 390* of the salary and allowance paid to the late Superintendent.

ENCLOSURES.—Three Statements.

Mis. No. 129.

Forwarded to the Conservator.

2. The Collector is glad to note the increase under Forest Guards.

OOTACAMUND,
23rd June 1882.

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
Collector.

ORDER—dated 18th July 1882, No. 760, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

The present proposals must lie over until further orders are issued as to the future management of the Chinchona plantations. It is observed, however, that they should have been submitted through the Accountant-General, with reference to G.O., 28th November 1878, No. 2125, Financial Department. It is presumed that the appointment of Mr. Newman, mentioned in paragraph 11, has no reference to the proposals now submitted.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
Secretary to Government.

To the Conservator of Forests, with three original enclosures returned.

Exd. C. Howarth.

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REVENUE.

Further C. No. 4708/82
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Order, dated 18th July 1882, No. 760.

Government Chinchona Plantations on the
Nilgiris.—Proposals for the charge of — conse-
quent on the retirement of the Assistant Superin-
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Circular, No. I of 1882-83.

The Conservator has pleasure in sanctioning the grant of batta from this date to Rangers and all members of the executive and protective Establishments, at the discretion of the Divisional Forest Officers. The rates are as prescribed in G. O. No. 2,327, dated 17th July 1877, R. D., and in addition to the fixed travelling or horse allowance now drawn by Rangers and the Local allowances drawn by some Foresters and the Wynaad Establishment.

2. The batta will only be drawn during *bonâ-fide* absence from Head-quarters on approved duty, and in the case of Forest guards, only, when they are sent or detained on duty, in the forests or away from their stations, and not for merely visiting the forests daily.

3. The Conservator leaves the checking of any abuse in this respect entirely in the hands of Divisional Officers, who will be guided by local circumstances and the usual rules.

4. It will be necessary that a certificate (as per accompanying form) be attached to the monthly pay bills, as the permanent allowance is issued solely on the understanding that all Rangers maintain a horse or pony, and where necessary, a small tent. The five rupees extra drawn by some Rangers, owing to batta being withheld, will cease from this date.

(sd) J. Campbell Esq. MAJOR,

Conservator of Forests.

Ootacamund,
Office of the Conservator of Forests,
1st April, 1882.

(True Copy)

Handwritten signature

Conservator of Forests.

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CERTIFICATE.

Certified that Ranger
has maintained suitable travelling equipage (as
detailed overleaf) and has performed his inspection
duties to my satisfaction throughout the month of

In charge of

Ranger

Office of Dy Conservator of
Potacum and
21st June 1882
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Office
No. 175

From.

H. A. Gass Esq.
Deputy Conservator of Forests
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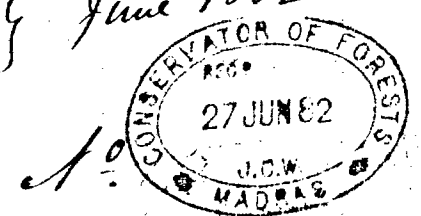
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MADRAS,
OFFICE OF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS,

Madras 7th July 1882

MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned has the honor to request that No. 413A may be
given to this Office Letter dated 2nd July 1882.

W. H. P. S.
By Conservator
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To

THE Secretary to Government
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 Forest Department
 From
 The Conservator of Forests
 To
 The Secretary to Govt.
 Revenue Department

Dated 4th July, 1882
 Revenue Department

1st Div.

Enclosed are the

1st Div.
 Submitting with this a
 letter from the Conservator
 in charge of the Nilgiris
 containing suggestions for
 the amalgamation of the
 Forest & Cinchona offices,
 the revision of the
 & assimilation of
 & rates of pay of
 Subordinates.

5/7 JW

No. 3645

From The Conservator of Forests
 Dated 4th July 1882.
 FOR ORDERS.

Govt by G.O. 19th June 1882 approved of
 Mr. Rowson's retirement & Major
 Walker submits consequent proposals.
 These are set forth clearly in the
 Dy. Conservator's letter to which Major
 Walker's gives cover.

The former contains three statements
 incl i showing the Proposed & Present Forest
 & incl ii - do - Cinchona scale and
 & incl iii - an amalgamation of i & ii.

Taking incl i - Forest Establishment

(a) office	Present	Proposed
	134	128
(B) Est paper	253	308
	<u>387</u>	<u>436</u>

They know best as to their office establish.
 the increase of Rs: 55 proposed for
 conservation of Nilgiri slopes boards
 Comptroller & for Mr. E. Wignall
 is - it is submitted - necessary.

Censuswater proposes Forest excess of Rs 49 from savings under Cuckona but as the acc^{ts} are separate it should be with from Forest Savings.

Taking Encl ii - Cuckona Estab^t

(a) Office
Present 151 - Proposed 141

Present	Proposed
Dodaballa H ^d . Overseer on Rs: 150 Clerk 35	Sub ass ^t 1 st class on Rs: 250 clerk 25
Dodaballa ass ^t . Overseer on Rs: 50	... { Ranger Rs 50 H ^d on Rs 9

Midiwattam ass ^t . Supd ^t on 300 ass ^t . Overseer on Rs. 60.	Sub ass ^t 2 nd class on Rs: 150 Ranger on Rs 50 Rm Rs 3 Pron Rs 9
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Wood Estate H ^d Overseer Rs 70	Ranger 70 clerk 20 Pron 8
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Looker ass ^t . Overseer 50	Ranger Rs 60
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756	694
add (a) 151	141
<u>907</u>	<u>835</u>

These figures are the totals but all items are not in this abstract, those in which no change is proposed having been omitted.

add Rs: 436 of Encl i. to Rs 835 of Encl ii. Total is Rs 1271 against Rs: 1294 in the sanctioned scale.

Other these allowance are proposed for the new Sub: ass^t. Rangers. The financial aspect of this is not touched on.

The Com^r forwards his deputy's letter with a long letter touching on many matters not connected with the present proposal. He approves the proposals which he says are keeping things. It will be observed that there is really no abolition of any appointment but a change of nomenclature which however is desirable now the Cuckona is under the Forest Dept^t. - There is a saving of Rs 72 only (907 - 835). But the present scheme makes the Sub ass^t. Com^r. Rangers, Forest Officer in their own vicinity of their changes, which is desirable though indefinitely settled to judge of the propriety.

Proposed Consignment to
 the Secretary
 FOR ORDERS.

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Note to the Secretary.

I do not see the late Consignment to the Secretary as a change of position. The late Consignment was a proposal to give the Secretary a salary of £1000 per annum. The present proposal is to give the Secretary a salary of £1000 per annum. The late Consignment was a proposal to give the Secretary a salary of £1000 per annum. The present proposal is to give the Secretary a salary of £1000 per annum.

Consignment to the Secretary

Para 9. to 11 of the Cons. letter are not clear till it is not known to what change Mr. Newman has been appointed to the Conservator or what his appointment has to do with the present proposals as late as May 82 Major Walker proposed his app. elsewhere.

Para 16 refers to the "garden" from England. The Cons. proposes to give him no Executive charge & imagines he will be an officer on Rs. 300 odd a month under the Ag. Cons.

As Major Walker is obviously ignorant of the position (as indicated by the submitted) the present order issues.

80. The present proposals must be over ~~proceeding~~ the ~~initial~~ former orders on issued as to the future management of the Chirichona plantations. It is observed however that they should have been submitted through the Secy. Genl. with reference to 80. 28th Nov. 1878. No 2125. 7. D. That much of the Cons. letter has no reference to the matter in issue. It is presumed that in the app. of Mr. Newman mentioned in para 11 has no reference to the proposals made. 11/7/1911

ps - naturally

How Mr. Sullivan

True.

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