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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	2788	~~Press~~ Mis.
Dated	6-7-	1883.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

READ—the following letter from F. BRANDT, Esq., Collector of Nilgiris, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 20th April 1883, No. 150 :—

With reference to G. O., dated 10th February 1883, No. 204 B., Revenue, and Proceedings recorded in G.O., 14th October 1882, No. 1116, Revenue, I have the honor to request that the orders of Government may be obtained as to whether charge of the Government Chinchona Plantations should be *at once* made over to Professor Lawson.

2. I was inclined to think that perhaps it might be better if the Professor made himself personally acquainted with the system of working and of accounts, and with the officers constituting the establishment, for a while, before assuming charge, and Professor Lawson seemed inclined to agree with me; but if it is the wish of Government that he should take over charge from the Forest Department at once, I shall endeavour to see that their wishes are carried out without delay.

3. At the same time, it will be necessary to provide separate office-accommodation for the establishment, and some changes may be necessary, as at present the work of the Forest Department proper and of the Chinchona Department are worked together.

4. And this leads me to ask for further instructions with reference to the orders of Government, that I should endeavour to secure suitable house-accommodation for the Professor.

5. I have been making inquiries for house-accommodation in the neighbourhood of the Government Botanical Gardens. I find that *one-half* of Ottley Hall is to let at monthly rent of Rs. 170 for not less than six months, and the accommodation might be sufficient, but it would be preferable to have the whole of a house and the rent seems very high. I find that the owner of Chinchona Villa, Mr. A. H. Batchelor, would be willing to rent that house for Rs. 120 a-month for a term of not less than three years, but as the owner would be willing to sell to Government at what appears to me a moderate rent, I would recommend that Government should consider whether it would not be advisable to buy it. "Chinchona Villa" is conveniently situated, and would, I think, give ample accommodation for residence, for an office, and for an herbarium which, it seems, is required.

6. The Government do not say what accommodation should be provided, or what rent they are prepared to pay.

7. I do not think that such a house as it seems is wanted can be had for less than Rs. 120 a-month at the least.

8. "Chinchona Villa" was offered to me for sale two years ago for Rs. 20,000; the present owner got it for a price which I know, and is willing to sell for considerably less than the sum above mentioned, viz., Rs. 20,000. I think it would be a good investment, but before ascertaining whether Government is prepared to buy, it is no use giving further details.

BOARD OF REVENUE, 1st May 1883, No. 1216.

9. I have also the honor to ask whether the office establishment now under the Superintendent, Botanical Gardens, is to be placed immediately under Professor Lawson; and also whether correspondence and accounts are to pass through my office as hitherto.

RESOLUTION—dated 1st May 1883, No. 1216.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. A. DAVIES.
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Collector of Nilgiris.

" the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.

" the Deputy Conservator, in charge of Central Office.

Exd. A. Raiff.

No 418

Government Central Museum

Madras 7th July 1881.

From

CURRENT No. 1382

Surgeon-Major George B. B. B.
Superintendent Govt. Central

Museum

The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department

Cotacamund.

Sir,

I have this day sent for the inspection of Government a selection of coloured and uncoloured plates of the Nilgiri Linchons. A set of the entire series has been coloured for deposit in the Museum and I have now the honour to enquire whether the Right Honorable the Governor would wish to have a set coloured for use in the Government Office. 2/ The letter-press is all but complete and the work will go to press immediately. Favour is requested of the plates being returned when no longer required.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Edie M. Surgeon-Major

Superintendent Govt. Central Museum

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Printed May 5th.

Proceedings, 1st May 1883, No. 1216.

Submitting for orders of Government letter from the Collector of Nilgiris requesting information as to whether the charge of the Cinchona Plantations should at once be made over to Professor Lawson.

No 452
Government Central Museum
Madras 22 July 1881.
CURRENT No.
From
Surgeon Major George Bidie M.B.,
Superintendent Government Central
Museum.
To
The Chief Secretary to Government.
Public Department,
Coatamund.

Sir,

In reply to your Memo No 255 of 15th July 1881 I have the honour to report to Government, that the Cinchona plates can be coloured at the rate of Rs 25 per 100 and as there are 33 plates in the set the total cost of colouring 5 sets will be Rs 41 $\frac{1}{2}$, which is I think moderate.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant,

Bidie M.B. Surgeon Major
Superintendent Government Central
Museum.

o.s.d

Had again the same day, 7th May 1883, from the Collector of Nilgiris, dated 15th April 1883, reporting that "Chinchona Villa" was offered to him for sale two years before for Rs. 20,000, and that the present owner is willing to sell it for considerably less than that price.

BOARD OF REVENUE, 22ND MAY 1883, No. 1412.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

READ—the following letter from F. BRANDT, Esq., Collector of Nilgiris, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 17th May 1883, No. 189:—

With reference to my letter, No. 150, dated 20th April 1883, recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 1216, dated 1st May 1883, I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter to-day received from Mr. Batchelor.

2. I did not before mention the sum for which the house was offered, as I was not sure whether I was authorized to do so until the question of purchasing or not purchasing had been considered, but the price now mentioned is the same as was mentioned to me before.

3. I will report after inspection whether it appears that the investment would be a good one, if Government decide that it may be desirable to buy and not only to lease.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From A. H. BATCHELOR, Esq., to the Collector of Nilgiris, dated Chinchona Villa, 16th May 1883.

I have the honor to make the following offer, for the consideration of Government, with reference to the purchase of my house as the residence of Mr. Lawson:—

The house, out-houses, and ground of 4 to 5 acres in extent for Rs. 16,000. The house consists of drawing and dining rooms 20 x 12 feet, a large hall, two large bed-rooms 18 x 16, dressing and bath rooms, one small bed-room and bath-room, detached bungalow consisting of two large rooms and two small ones, water-pipes laid on in two of the bath-rooms, electric bells throughout the house, stabling for five horses, coach-house, usual out-houses and servants' godowns, &c.

2. I shall be glad to receive an early reply, as I must make arrangements if I am to leave at the end of May.

RESOLUTION—dated 22nd May 1883, No. 1412.

Submitted to Government, in continuation of Board's Proceedings, No. 1216, dated 1st May 1883.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Collector of Nilgiris.

" to the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.

" to the Deputy Conservator of Forests in charge Central Office of Accounts.

Exd. A. Raitt.

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Chinchona Villa

Recd: cur: no: 2838 B.P. 1st May 83
cur: no: 3346 B.P. 21st May 83

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Endors:
Referred to the Dept. of Public
works for the favour of very early
report as to the value of the prop.
whether the house, with the land
included, is worth the price the
owner puts upon it.

Passes

Submitted
To the Secy. 18th June 1883.

Under Secretary

To be despatched M.S. from Col. Secy.
B.P. 10th June 1883.

No 137 E. Ccty, 5th June 1883.

Referred to the
S.E. South Circle, who will submit
a valuation estimate of the property
offered for sale.

2. An early reply is requested.

Col. Secy
to Govt Secy
to S.E. South Circle

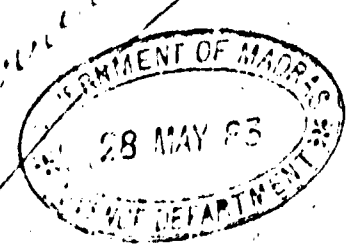
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Proceedings, 22nd May 1883, No. 1412.

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Submitting to Government letter from the
Collector of Nilgiris forwarding one from Mr.
Batchelor offering for sale "Chinchona Villa"
for Rs. 16,000 as the residence for the Superin-
tendent of Chinchona Plantations.



REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Can. No. 4189.

From the Public Works Department

Dated 18th 25th June 1883
FOR ORDERS.

The Public Works Dept. report
that Chinchona Villa is worth
the price asked (Rs. 16,000).
The house is the nearest to the
Doda Betta Plantations which
is available & seems in every
way suitable for an official
residence for the Superintendent
of the Chinchona Plantations.
It is understood that Mr. Dawson
personally approves of it & it
is suggested that Govt. might
authorize the Collector to buy,
supposed provided that a good
title be forthcoming, on which point
he should take the advice of the
Government Pleader.

M. W. J. 9/83

Money is available from the
proceeds of the local Chinchona
sales.

3/7/83

McDonough House

FOR ORDERS.

The Hon. Mr. Sullivan.

The Right Hon.

The Governor

No. 258

Supg Engineer's Office 4th Circle
Camp Potacamund 25th June 1883

From

The Superintending Engineer
4th Circle.

To

The Chief Engineer
P.W. Department.

Sir,

Enclosed

Endorsement (not P.W.)

As directed in your endorsement of 5th instt, herewith returned, regarding "Cinchona Vella," the property of Mr. A. H. Bachelor, I have the honor to report that the Executive Engineer has examined the buildings; and is of opinion that they are in good order with the exception of one room of the dwelling house, which leaks slightly.

Both dwelling and outhouses are pukka built. The former covers an area of 3,197 sq^{re} feet and the latter 2,885 sq^{re} feet.

* by rates given in

G.O. No. 4 of 3rd January 1879

He estimates that similar buildings, if constructed now, would probably cost Rs. 21,755; exclusive of the value of the land;

So

so that the price asked Rs. 16,000 appears
reasonable. Mr. Larmine also states
that "probably all necessary repairs
could be carried out for Rs. 500.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant.

P. R. S. - Col. R. C.

Superintending Engineer
1st Circle.