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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Madras, 5th December, 1884.

The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
Madras.

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the Proceedings of the Madras Government under order of 2nd instant, No. 5336 and we are much obliged for the sanction of the supply of bark requested in our letter of 1st instant.

Dr Cleaver, who has come out to conduct the experiment in question, states that he has personally seen letters from the India Office intimating that the Madras Government would be asked to supply any quantity of bark required for the proposed experiment. He proposes to work up 1 Ton of bark weekly for 9 weeks or in all 9 Tons of bark. All his arrangements have been made for working on this scale, and the Syndicate has not provided him with funds for purchase of bark because of the distinct assurance given at the India Office that the quantity required would be supplied free, on the understanding that the product would be returned to Government.

201.60 lbs

We have the honor to enquire whether any such instructions as Dr Cleaver describes have been sent by the Secretary of State to the Madras Government - and if not, on what terms a further quantity of bark required for Dr Cleaver's experiments can be supplied. You will observe from our letter of 1st instant that Dr Cleaver does not require high class bark.

We

We venture to request an early reply
to this letter; for it may be necessary, should the
bank not be available except on telegraph, to
telegraph to Rimini Syndicate that unexpected
difficulty has arisen in getting bank for the
necessary experiment.

We have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servants,

Authentic

REVENUE (1884) DEPARTMENT.

No. 2415

From Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co

Dated 5th

Rcvd. 5th Decr 84

No.

SUBJECT.

Enquiring whether the Madras Govt has received instructions from the Secy of State to supply any quantity of Cinchona bark required by Dr Cleaver for Chemical, and if not, on what basis a further supply can be made.

To Miles

Despatch has been received as Arbuthnott describe. The only instructions bearing from the Secy of State have been of a directly contrary character - vide para 3 of the despatch read in G.O. 20th October 1884 No 1154 in which it is stated that persons interested can procure bark at the local sales.

E.C.
5/12.

The quantity asked for is more than a tenth of the crop of this year. & I submit should not be granted. The Govt have already given double the quantity first stated. Mr Mackenzie represented that the object in asking for Govt bark was that it would be more uniform quality, & that he had plenty of bark of the produce of ordinary plantations — rubbish he called it. Now he asks for a tenth of the Govt crop, on the ground that he wants any inferior bark. The quantity asked for is worth more than Rs 10,000.

C.B.

C.B-12-84
RG-12-84.

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Revenue Dept.

FROM CIRCULATION
WITH
REMARKS.

G.O. issued today

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I still think I must go that no such instructions have been received from the Secretary of State and that Parliament prepared to go beyond the concession already made - If the Company want more the Directors might be communicated to supply it - on the terms laid down by the last vote - The Company evidently wish (there all the risk of) their first experiment over - This is the 'private enterprise' of the day

J. H. S.

7/12

Yes. The most positive refusal is the only proper reply. We have gone to the outside limit of Concession

MSP

Mis. C. No. 5543.

Messrs Arbuthnot & Co. will be informed that no such instructions as are described by Mr Cleaves have been received from the Secretary of State, and that the Govt are not bound to go beyond the concessions already made.

(Mrs ordered)

E.P.L.

W.H.S.

9-12-82

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Messrs Arbuthnot & Co Madras.

Dec-9.12.82