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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated	<i>24-11-1885.</i>	

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following letter from M. A. LAWSON, Esq., Director of Government Cinchona Plantations, Nilgiris, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund, 21st November 1885, No. 79:—

The “particulars of bark sales” which I receive from Government show that there has been a steady increase in the prices obtained for the red barks in the London market; for instance, renewed red bark, which in September 1885 fetched 1s. 5d. per pound, in October is worth 3s. 2d., while natural, which in August 1885 was worth only 5½d per pound, in October commands 1s. 1d. It is evident from the above that there is a brisk demand for cinchona bark in the London market, and this is borne out also by the enclosed copy of letter which I have received from Messrs. Oakes and Co., Madras.

2. There are at present 694 bales of red bark remaining from the last year's stock, and these, with 458 bales collected up to date, will make 1,152 bales, for which there was actually no sale hitherto.

3. As the present seems a favorable opportunity for getting rid of these red barks, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government to the sale of 200 bales in each of the months of January, February and March 1886.

4. This quantity, if sold, will not only reduce the stock of red barks on hand, which is increasing without any prospect of getting rid of them, but also leave a sufficient quantity on hand to supply the Medical Department, should Government finally decide upon manufacturing liquid febrifuge.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter from Messrs. OAKES AND CO., to the Director of Government Cinchona Plantations, dated Madras, 18th November 1885.

We have the honor to annex copy of an inquiry received from a leading House of Agency in Madras, and would esteem it a favor if you will give us the needful information (if possible) to enable us to reply.

2. At the present time there is a brisk demand for cinchona bark, and the prices realized at our last auction were exceptionally high, in fact the prices were higher in Madras at unit rate than in London at the same time. We venture to suggest, for the consideration of the Government and yourself, whether it would be advisable to take the opportunity of the above-mentioned demand to increase the quantity to be offered.

Annexure.

We shall be glad to know what date is fixed for the auction sale after that to be held on the 7th proximo, and to receive samples and catalogues if available. Please also let us know by what dates samples will be available at the India Office.

ORDER—dated 24th November 1885, No. 1310, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

The Director's proposals are sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director, Government Cinchona Plantations, &c.
,, the Accountant-General.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Exd. W. H. French

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G.O., 24th November 1885, No. 1310.

NOVEMBER.

Cinchona Barks.

Proposals regarding the sale of red barks in
January, February and March 1886, sanctioned.



Dear Sir Price

I have sent officially
an application to you
for sanction to sell
60,000 lbs of Succowulva
barks during the months
of January February and
March next.

I have in stock about
120,000 lbs. which has
been accumulating during
the last two years, owing
to my not selling on account
of the low prices, which were
offered for them.

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Now however the prices
have suddenly gone up
and I think they would
sell at remunerative
figures.

Next year I shall
take a large amount of
these books, and if we do
not get rid of some, we shall
not know what to do
with it all, and I
therefore strongly recommend
that we should take
advantage of the present
& satisfactory state of

the market.

If you consent to
my proposal please
telegraph, so that I
may lose no time in
advertising so.

I write privately, or
only officially
because the matter
is urgent.

I am

Yours faithfully

M. H. Lawson

No 79
Thon

(Director's office)
Colacamaund 21 Nov 1885

The Director of
Govt. Cinchona Plantation



To
Belgium

The Secretary to Government—
Revenue Department—

Sir,
Tral-St-George.

The "Particulars of Bark Sales" which I
receive from Government show that there has
been a steady increase in the prices obtained
for the Red barks in the London market, for
instance Rousset Red bark, which in September
1885 fetched 15s 5d per lb, in October is 10 or 10 3/4
2d, while Natural which in August 1885 was
worth only 5 1/2 d per lb, in October commands
15s 1d. It is evident from the above that there
is a brisk demand for Cinchona bark in
the London market and this is borne out also by
the enclosed copy of letter which I have received
from

from Messrs. Baker & Co, Madras.

2. There are at present 694 cals. of Red bark remaining from the last year's stock, and those with 458 cals. collected up to date will make 1152 cals., for which there was actually no sale hitherto.

3. As the present seems a favorable opportunity for getting rid of these Red barks, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government to the sale of 200 cals. in each of the months of January, February and March 1886.

4. This quantity, if sold, will not only reduce the stock of Red barks on hand, which is increasing without any prospect of getting rid of them, but also leave a sufficient quantity on hand to supply the

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the Medical Department, should Government finally decide upon manufacturing liquid febrifuge.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Disc'd Servant
W. H. Lawrence
Director

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From

The Hon. Secy.
Govt. of the Colony
Victoria

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
St. George

No 79

Dated 21st November 1885.
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Enclosure - one.

Subject

Red Bats

Suggesting that this being a
favorable time for the sale of
that 200 bats — be sold in
January, February and March 1886.

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The Director's proposals are

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With order when received back

from ...

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- 1. 5th Dr. Govt. Civil & Plant. Secy.
- 6. Asst. Secy.
- 10. Asst. Secy.

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