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READ—the following letter from M. A. LAWSON, Esq., Government Botanist and Director of Cinchona Plantations, Nilgiris, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund, 4th November 1887, No. 59 :—

After consultation with Surgeon-General Cuddie, it has been determined, for the present, to fix the price of dry powdered febrifuge at Rs. 12 per solid pound of 16 oz., and the liquid extract at Re. 1 per fluid pound of 16 oz.

READ—also the following letter from M. A. LAWSON, Esq., Government Botanist and Director of Cinchona Plantations, Nilgiris, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund, 29th November 1887, No. 69 :—

With reference to your official memorandum No. 302, of 21st November 1887, Revenue, I have the honor to inform you that my proposal was to sell the powdered febrifuge and the liquid extract to the Medical Store Department, in bulk, at the rate of Rs. 12 per solid pound, and Re. 1 per liquid pound of 16 ounces.

2. This rate, it was calculated, would cover all the expenses of the Cinchona Department, and I presume that the Medical Department will adopt these rates in retailing it to the several districts in the Presidency without making different charges for different places.

ORDER—dated 19th December 1887, No. 1168, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

The price now given by the Director is accepted as the price to be paid by the Medical Department for the amount of the drug taken by that Department for distribution to Government, Local Fund and Municipal hospitals, but the Government require more detailed proposals, showing the quantities in which the febrifuge will be sold, the sale price of each of such quantities and the agency through which the medicine is to be distributed.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Government Botanist.
„ the Accountant-General.
„ the Public Department.
„ the Local and Municipal Department.

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Febrifuge.

Accepting the price given by the Director for the amount of the drug taken by the Medical Department for distribution, and calling for more detailed proposals regarding the quantities to be sold, the sale price of each quantity and the agency through which the medicine is to be distributed.

No. 59

From

Director's Office

Ootacamund 4 November 1887

M. A. Lawson Esq.
Govt Botanist and Director
Cinchona Plantations
Nilgiris

To,

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St George.

Sir

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Sir
Your Most obedient Servant
M. A. Lawson
Govt Botanist and Director

is very desirable to make
the Quantity as wide as possible
& to give the advantage of small
Commissions on the Sale -
Perhaps all Stamp Vendors might
be asked to sell small bottles say
½ oz bottles at 3 cents & ¼ oz bottles
at 5 cents. This will almost clear
the cost of the distribution of
bottles & leave a margin for
Commission. This suggestion
however, had better be separately
dealt with. RPB. 17/11.

Revenue Dept.
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M. A. Lawson Esq.
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Nilgiris

&
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St George

No 59

Dated 4th
Despd 4th November 1887
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Enclosure - Bill

Subject

Cinchona Febrifuge

Reports the price per lb at which it has been decided on consultation with the Surgeon General to sell the liquid and solid — now being made by this Department.

Submitted for orders,
as directed the proposed rates may be approved.
Mr Lawson gives no data on which his calculation was made. The price of the Calcutta febrifuge is Rs 24 per lb to Govt officers for public purposes & to large buyers. 2 lbs Rs 32 per lb to all others.
No price is so low that it can do little more than just cover the cost of production & it does seem possible that, if there is some possibility of speculators buying up the stock from Govt & manufacturing quinine from it for sale at a higher rate. This would defeat the object of Govt which is to bring a cheap febrifuge within reach of the masses. This danger can, however, easily be obviated if the Director watches the sales. If such speculation is shown to exist it will be easy to check it by an increase of price.
Meantime the cheapness of the drug is & the few restrictions are placed on its sale the better.
It is submitted that the price be approved tentatively & subject to revision when more experience of the cost of the manufacture has been obtained.
The methods for pushing the sale locally & among the poor will, no doubt, be separately considered but it is thought that if

No. 69 Directors Office
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Your most Obt. Servant
M. R. Lawson
Govt Botanist and Director

Rec'd G.O. No 1168 8/19-12-87

Read also c. No 9071/87.

Order.

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Note. — The Medical Dept. will recover cost of carriage from the Dt. Boards & Municipal Councils. The Rev. Dept. is not concerned with that.

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From,
M. A. Lawson Esq
Fort St. George and
Director of Govt. Cinch.
Ootacamund
Nilgiris

To,
The Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Department
Fort St. George

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Director of Land Records
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Madras

To,

The Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Department
Fort St. George

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