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[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording circular letter from the
Govt. of India distributing a pamphlet
regarding woods suitable for fishing rods.

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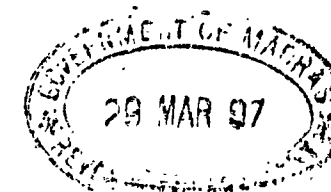
Dated Calcutta, the 16th March 1897.

SUBJECT.

DISTRIBUTES a pamphlet regarding woods suitable for fishing-rods.

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Circular No. $\frac{4}{69-2}$ F.

FROM

F. G. SLY, Esq., C.S.,

Under-Secretary to the Government of India,

To *The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Revenue Department.*

Department of Revenue and Agriculture.
Forests.

CALCUTTA, the 16th March 1897.

SIR,

WITH reference to the accompanying copy of a Despatch* (with enclosure) from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, I am directed to forward 3 copies of the pamphlet containing Surgeon-General Bidie's "Notes on woods at present used for making fishing-rods and on some Indian timbers which might be introduced as substitutes for these"; and to suggest that, *with the permission of the Governor in Council, they* might with advantage be distributed to the Conservators of Forests. I am to say that no more copies of the pamphlet are available.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

F. G. Sly

Under-Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 7 (Revenue), dated London, the 14th January 1897.

*From—*LORD GEORGE HAMILTON, *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,*

To—His Excellency the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council.

I FORWARD herewith, for the information of Your Excellency's Government and for such distribution as may be deemed suitable, copy of a letter from Surgeon-General

Twenty-five copies of pamphlet sent by book- Bidie, dated 8th ultimo, with accompanying pamphlet on fishing-rod woods.
post.

Dated Parell House, Bridge of Allan, N. B., the 8th December 1896.

*From—*SURGEON-GENERAL G. BIDIE, M.B., C.I.E.,

To—Her Majesty's Under-Secretary of State for India.

I HAVE the honour to forward herewith, for the acceptance of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, 30 copies of some notes by me (reprinted from the *Fishing Gazette*) on the principal woods used at present in Great Britain for the manufacture of Fishing Rods, with suggestions regarding the introduction of Indian woods which might be utilised as substitutes for those presently in favour. The manufacture of fishing-rods is an industry which, of late years, has attained enormous development, and is likely to go on increasing *pari passu* with the ever-growing host of anglers in all grades of society.

2. In forwarding the pamphlet, it is deferentially suggested that copies may be sent to the Government of India for communication to the Forest Departments of the three Presidencies, as I have no doubt that the practical knowledge of Forest officials will enable them to suggest woods perhaps even better suited for the purpose in question than those mentioned in the pamphlet. The chief qualities required in woods for making fishing-rods will be found briefly stated at pages 2 and 10 of the "Notes."

3. The quantity of wood used in this industry must be very considerable, as only select portions of the logs can be employed for making first class rods, and this involves a great deal of waste. There can be no doubt, therefore, that if suitable Indian timber for making fishing-rods can be put on the English market at a reasonable price, the result will be the creation of a valuable branch of trade.

4. Copies of the pamphlet are also being forwarded to the Chambers of Commerce in the three Presidencies.

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