

you mention ,viz:- freight charges and teaming ,the cost of setting up the machinery ,and even when the mill is in running order ,there will be certain incidental expenses as well as the wages of a competent ,reliable man to take charge when the sawing etc is being done .

In view of all this the matter should be submitted to the Indians in Council ,with an estimate of all the expenditure likely to be incurred ,and after a full discussion they should if they desire the accomplishment of the undertaking ,pass a resolution authorizing payment from their Capital funds , of the amount required for the purpose.

As I have already said I am very desirous of meeting the wishes of the Indians on this subject , as recently expressed to me ,as it would apparently be a good thing for them to have ~~such~~ a mill of their own ,but they should be fully aware of what they are undertaking , and must signify ,in the manner above mentioned their acceptance of the responsibility of ~~paying for the expenditure~~ . *Meeting the necessary*

*outlay*

Your obedient servant.

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