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[Despatch Abstract.]

Bruce Foote Collection of prehistorics

Recording ~~the~~ certain ~~papers regarding~~ correspondence connected with the printing of the catalogue raisonné of the —— in the Madras Museum.

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Original of
G.O. No. 581 Edl
3-9-06

Memorandum No. 8 / 9-1-6

~~Read the following papers~~

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Desp
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Despd
9/1/6

With reference to his letter No. 882 dated 22nd September 1905 read in G.O. No. 650. Educational dated 2nd October 1905, the Superintendent, Government Museum is requested to be so good as to state what progress has been made in correcting the proof of the check-list of Mr. Bruce-Foote's Collection of pre-historic antiquities and when the proof as finally revised by him may be expected by Government.

Cos
6/1/06

Sam
5.1.06.

PH
5/1/6

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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Subject.

Stating that the proof of the check list of Mr Bruce Foote's collection of the prehistoric antiquities has been passed on to Mr. Foote who is at present in Madras.

ENCLOSURES.
No.
Spare copies

No. 59

Station Madras, Dated the 17th January 1906.

From (Name) Edgar Thurston Esqr.

(Designation) Superintendent, Govt. Museum.

To The Assistant Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department.

Sir,

Page 1, C file

With reference to Memorandum No. 8 dated 9th inst:, I have the honour to state that the proof of the check list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of the prehistoric antiquities has been passed on to Mr. Foote, who is at present in Madras.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
Edgar Thurston
Superintendent,
Govt. Museum

FR/

AW

1/233 29-3-06 C.S.

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Educational Departt

Memo. No. 188 d/ 20-4-06

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With reference to para 3 of G. O. No 233 C.S. dated 29th March 06, the S. G. M. is requested to state what progress has been made by Bruce Foote in selecting the specimens required for the purpose of illustrating the catalogue mentioned.

desp 20/4/6

Desp 21-4-6.

20.4.06

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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Received .... 190 , Registered 26. 4. 1906.

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Subject.

Reporting the progress made by Mr Bruce Foote in selecting the specimens required for the purposes of illustrating the Catalogue raisonne.

ENCLOSURES.
No.
Spare copies

No. 410

Station Madras , Dated the 24th April 1906.

From (Name) Edgar Thurston Esquire

(Designation) Superintendent Government Museum

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department.

Sir,

With reference to Memorandum, No 188 Educational, dated 20th April 1906, I have the honour to report that Mr Foote, prior to his departure from Madras, examined the contents of fortyone out of the seventy boxes containing the collection purchased from him. Twenty nine boxes, therefore, remain to be examined. Mr Foote set apart between 400 and 500 specimens the exact number of which I am unable to give, as some are contained in little boxes inside cases which were locked up and sealed with Mr Foote's initials before he left Madras.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Edgar Thurston
Superintendent Government Mu

The items selected No. have been laid out [illegible] & sealed by him — the sealing was genuine

This is very extraordinary procedure. In whose presence were the boxes sealed? & who is answerable to see that the specimens are there at all?
Mr Foote ought also to return to Madras to complete his selection at an early date.

Not to go on E.B. -7-06.

Educational Department

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Remarks of the Secretary against Memorandum no. 400 dated. 19th July 1905 in the Educational Call Book.

" Mr. Bruce-Foote has arrived. The Superintendent, Government Museum may be asked to report progress".

H. D. T.
4. 1. 06.

The draft memorandum placed below is submitted for approval.

Sayu
5.1.06

PM
5/1/6

Bsul

Cos
6/1/06

[memo. no. 8 dated 9th January 1906].

From the S.G.M. no. 59, dated 17th January 1906.

Page 2, of file

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N.A.D.
18/1/6

The present letter may lie over.

PM 19/1/6

Geo. [illegible]

Cos
19/1/06

Roll Book.

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Should not Mr. F be asked to get it back?

P.T.J.
6-3-06

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It may be required in connection with the Catalogue.

C.A.S
7-3-06.

Mr. B. Foote has returned one copy of the check list uncorrected; it is placed below. He says he has two other copies, but it seems that he proposes to publish his catalogue for a separate M.S. It would save Press work if he called up addition corrections or the check list itself.

17.3.06

The original of the Check list is not forthcoming in the Office. Please see telephone message to the I.G.P. asking whether it is with him. If he says it is not with him, the I.G.M. will be asked.

P.T.J.
20/3/6

Rice

Cas
21.3.6.

Telephone

From the A.S.
To the D.G.P

Have you got the original of the Check list of Mr. Bruce Foote's Collection of Prehistorics and Protohistorics? The matter is now in type. If you have the original please send it over.

PB
21/3/06

C.H.
21.3.6.

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Desp
21/3/06

Reminded
28/3.

Sam
21/3/06.

Educational

TELEPHONIC MESSAGE.

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Date, ________________ 190 9

______ Hours ______ Minutes.

From	To
The Supt Govt Press	From the Asstt Secy To the Edl Dept

Reply

I replied to you on the 22nd inst that the original of prehistorics & protohistorics are not with the Press

PH
28/3

Seen
28/3/09

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Educational Depm

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Telephone.

From the A.S.
To the S.G.M.

Have you got the original of the check list of Mr Bruce Foote's collection of Prehistories and Protohistories? ~~The matter is now in type. If you have the original, please send it over.~~ Or is it among the papers you handed over to Mr Bruce Foote?

Desp
29/3/6

PJ
28/3/6

Cles
29.3.06.

Message recd at 5-30 PM. No response to repeated calls
Scm
29/3/06

To-day the museum is closed as it is a holiday
Scm
30/3/06

Corr

Desp.

Please take a copy of the telephone and also despatch too
30/3/06.

Desp
30/3/6

P.T.O

Date, ______ 190 .

______ Hours ______ Minutes.

From	To
The Supdt. Govt. Museum	The Asst. Secy. Educational Dept

Reply

The manuscripts of Footes checklist is with him.

Same
31/8/06

For the A.S.

Please see the Secretary's note on page 2 supra. Should Mr. Bruce Foote be now asked whether he can make corrections & additions on the proof of the check list so that the matter already in type may be utilized for the Catalogue raisonné?

The type of the check list has ~~now~~ been standing for some time (now) and if it is not to be utilized it seems desirable to break it up as soon as possible.

P.M.
31/8/06

As far as I understand Mr. B. F. has separate MS. notes for the catalogue.

It may be doubted whether it would do any good to ask him to change his methods. He might 'jib'!

Chl
24.4.06.

Better leave him alone for a bit & then get Robertson or some one to interview & smooth him down if required. It will do more ~~harm~~ than good to tackle him again for say a ~~some~~ couple of months

HDB
3.4.06

Mr Bruce Foote told me there was only a few hours work remaining to be done - and with a man of Mr Bruce Foote's age - state of health, two months (is) a large wait. I do not believe in interviews i/the case. He merely tries to tread old ground.

HDT
26.4.06.

We must keep Mr. B. F. up to the scratch. He said there was only a few hours work. Better ask him when the list may be expected to be in the hands of Govt. and the selection of specimens completed.

H.D.T.
25/4/06

Of course he did not mean that

BF

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

PJ
25/4/06

Seen
CAS
25.4.06

From Supdt no 410 dt 24-4-1906.

Please return the file just sent to Office. Add this to file

H.D.T
26-4-06

Returned as directed.
PJ 26/4/06

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8 P

Pu cpie
Supt Fort Museum

Let Mr Thurston manage his own business. It has nothing to do with us
8/4

The S.G.M's letter is a curious one. Mr Bruce Foote appears to have sealed up with his own seal, and without the knowledge of the S.G.M the specimens selected by him. He should have applied to the S.G.M. to place his own seal upon them if sealing were at all necessary. Mr Foote would appear still to claim some right of property in these specimens.

It is desirable that the final selection sh^d. be made without delay & the Survey Dep^t. allowed to proceed with its work – but it would be cruel to ask an old man like Mr Bruce Foote to proceed to Madras to complete the work at this time of year. I have added a para to the draft asking him to do so as soon as possible after the burst of the S.W. monsoon.

HDT
26.4.06.

Hm/ He has selected already some 400 or 500 specimens. Mr Thurston says nothing anywhere that I can find as to any hurry in selecting the other specimens.

Have ~~[illegible]~~ asking him as of ~~in [illegible]~~
8/7 26

in draft, He must have time to illustrate the list in
8/7 26

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PJ. The file may now lie over for some time longer?
[The Secretary may see it tomorrow.]
PJ
27/4/6

Sec: for information
Cos
27/4/06.

Seen. ✓
HD
28.4.06

The A.S. desired the file to be put up on monday to see whether any further action should now be taken.
PJ 18/6/6

Sec.
May Mr B-F. be again reminded.
Cld
18.6.06.

We may wait till 1st July
HD
19.6.06

May the reminder now go?
PJ 2/7/6

Sec.
I see that Mr Bradley suggests that Mr Robertson should be asked to be the 'Deus ex machina'.
Cld
2.7.06.

15 16 P

Submitted that Mr. Bruce Foote may now be reminded. In March last he distinctly informed me that only a few hours work was required to complete the catalogue and preface.

2 The selection of specimens for illustration is still incomplete: this work, as soon as the specimens have been selected will be carried out by the Survey Dept.

Please see H.E.'s orders of 27/3/06 on page 5 of KW SO 233. d 29/3/06.

3 Unless Mr. Foote is kept up to the mark, I feel that we shall never see that catalogue.

ADL
3 7. 06

B

I doubt if we shall in any case.
B.F.

First write d.o. to Thurston & ask if he knows how B.F. is getting on

B.F. 5/7

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

BM
4/7/6

Lee
Chas
4.7.06.

Issue
W
5/7/06

Educational Departt

S.D. 107 dt 5-7-06

My dear Thurston

With reference to G.O. No 233 Edl dt 25th March 1906 I am directed to ask you if you ~~know~~ have any information as to how Mr. Bruce Foote is getting on with the Catalogue raisonné of the Collection of prehistoric articles purchased from him by the Govt. With reference to your letter No 410 of the 24th April last I am also to ask you whether any further progress has been made by Mr. Bruce Foote in selecting the specimens required for the purpose of illustrating the catalogue.

B

Desp 5/7/6

BJ
4/7/6

CWS
4.7.06

5.7.06

Desp 5/7/6

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D.O. R-75 d/17.7.06 / camp

No. 678

GOVERNMENT MUSEUM, 17

PANTHEON ROAD, EGMORE,

Madras, 13. 7 1906.

My dear Taylor.

Re your D.O. No 107 of the 5th inst. On June 7th Foote wrote to me that he had sent a type-written copy of his Catalogue raisonné to the Govt. Press. and I have since had some correspondence with him as to the size and form thereof. No progress has been

12 P

17 made in selecting specimens for illustration since Foote left Madras earlier in the year. The selected specimens remain as indicated in my no 410 of 24 April 1906

Yours sincerely

E. Thurston

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18 13 P

Mr. Thurston writes to say that Mr. Foote had sent a type-written Copy of his Catalogue raisonne to the Govt. Press, and that no further progress has been made in the selection of specimens since Mr. Foote left Madras early in this year. That is to say; 29 boxes containing the Collection purchased from him remain to be examined, of only 41 boxes have been examined, the number of specimens selected from ~~between 400 & 500 specimens have been examined altogether~~ these 41 boxes being between 400 & 500.

Pag 12 Supra.

Pag 4. cf

VB
19/7/6

PH
19/7/6

For information

WL
20-7.06

Lodge (Print with file in one corner

8/7-26/7

1-7-06.

To be put in type.

VB
21/7/6

11/8/06

13/8/06

Proof for approval

three clean copies sharp

18/8/06

Submitted below.
24/8/06

19

Urgent

Press

Please send three clean copies.

22/8/06

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No.   , EDUCATIONAL, DATED 1905.

[SUBJECT.—Catalogue of the Bruce Foote collection of prehistoric antiquities.]

I

~~NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 650 EDUCATIONAL, DATED 2ND OCTOBER 1905.~~

From the Superintendent, Archæological Survey, Madras, dated 20th June 1905, No. 929.

I hope that the printing of the Bruce Foote Catalogue is being pushed on with. The proof of this also might be sent to Mr. Thurston for correction. Ask Superintendent, Government Press, when it will be ready. Have orders issued as to the number of copies of the catalogue required to be struck off?

H. D. TAYLOR—13-7-05.

Proof of Mr. Bruce Foote's check list (100 pages) is submitted with a note in separate file. Proof of the remaining portion will be received during the course of next week.

2. As ordered by the Secretary, the proof, it is submitted, may be sent to Mr. Thurston for correction.

3. When the proof has been finally passed by Mr. Thurston, the Superintendent, Government Press, may be asked to fix a date when the list will be ready.

4. No orders have issued as to the number of copies to be printed. Mr. Thurston may be asked how many copies may be struck off.

5. Meanwhile it is submitted some proof copies may be sent to Mr. Bruce Foote.

Yes. Send two copies.

H.D.T.

6. A draft is placed below for approval.

T.K.—15-7-05.

A. GALLETTI—17-7-05.
H. D. TAYLOR—18-7-05.

[Memorandum No. 400, dated 19th July 1905.]

Demi-official from A. Galletti, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Assistant Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to R. Bruce Foote, Esq., c/o Messrs. H. S. King & Co., Waterloo Place, Pall Mall, dated 31st July 1905, No. 133.

I am directed to forward for the present two copies of rough proofs of the check list of your collection of prehistoric antiquities to enable you to begin adding to the list the short notes regarding the specimens promised in your letter of 26th August 1904. A copy of the list as finally printed will be furnished to you with reference to paragraph 3 of G.O., No. 535, Educational, dated 31st August 1904, as soon as copies of them have been struck off.

Demi-official from R. Bruce Foote, Esq., 65, Warwick Road, Earl's Court, S.W., to the Assistant Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated 1st September 1905.

Your letter of the 31st July and two copies of the rough proofs of my check list of the prehistoric collection I sold to Government last year only reached me by last mail and unfortunately too late to be of any present use. Had they come a month ago I could have made some use of them and they would have saved my incurring a considerable expense, for fearing a possible loss of my catalogue raisonné when returning to India I arranged to get a type-written copy made so as to have a second string to my bow. I cannot make any additions to the check list at present as I am immensely busy preparing to return to India in November, and have yet much work to get through at the libraries of the Antiquarian and Asiatic Societies.

2-4 A. Kithumuth

5 P. N. Martha

10/8/18

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I leave this on the 19th instant and hope to travel across the continent visiting many museums *en route* and winding up with the Cairo Museum.

I have been working very hard at prehistorics ever since I got back to England and specially so since I got up out of bed about the beginning of February.

I hope to be at Yercaud by the end of November and to descend to Madras very soon after.

I must end catch to-day's mail.

From the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 22nd September 1905, *No.* 882.

For orders as to whether the Superintendent, Government Museum's proposal may be accepted. If accepted, the draft placed below may issue.

N.L.R.—26-9-05.

P. T. THARYAN—26-9-05.

A letter just received from Mr. Bruce Foote, is put up.

A. GALLETTI—29-9-05.

Issue.

H. D. TAYLOR—30-9-05.

[G.O. 650 Educational, dated 2nd October 1905]

Remarks ~~of the Secretary~~ against Memorandum No. 400, dated 19th July 1905, in the Educational call book.

"Mr. Bruce Foote has arrived. The Superintendent, Government Museum, may "be asked to report progress."

H. D. TAYLOR—4-1-06.

The draft memorandum placed below is submitted for approval.

S.A.M.—5-1-06.

P. T. THARYAN—5-1-06.

Issue.

C. A. SOUTER—6-1-06.

[Memorandum, No. 8, dated 9th January 1906.]

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N.L.R.—18-1-06.

The present letter may lie over.

P. T. THARYAN—19-1-06.

Yes, lie over.

C. A. SOUTER—19-1-06.

Should not Mr. ~~Foote~~ Thurston be asked to get ~~it~~ the check list back?

P. T. THARYAN—6-3-06.

It may be required in connection with the catalogue.

C. A. SOUTER—7-3-06.

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H. D. TAYLOR—17-3-06.

The original of the check list is not forthcoming in the office. Please see telephone message to the Superintendent, Government Press, asking whether it is with him. If he says it is not with him, the Superintendent, Government Museum, will be asked.

P. T. THARYAN—20-3-06.

Issue.

C. A. SOUTER—21-3-06.

Telephonic message from the Assistant Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to the Superintendent, Government Press, dated 21st March 1906.

Have you got the original of the check list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of prehistorics and protohistorics? The matter is now in type. If you have the original, please send it over.

Telephonic message from the Superintendent, Government Press, to the Assistant Secretary Educational Department, dated 28th March 1906.

I replied to you on the 22nd instant that the original of prehistorics and protohistorics are not with the Press.

Telephonic message from the Assistant Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 29th March 1906.

Have you got the original of the check list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of prehistorics and protohistorics? Or is it among the papers you handed over to Mr. Bruce Foote?

Telephonic message from the Superintendent, Government Museum, to the Assistant Secretary, Educational Department, dated 31st March 1906.

The manuscript of Foote's check list is with him.

Please see the Secretary's note on page 1 *supra*. Should Mr. Bruce Foote be now asked whether he can make corrections and additions on the proof of the check list so that the matter already in type may be utilized for the catalogue raisonné?

dated 17th instant

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P. T. THARYAN—31-3-06.

As far as I understand, Mr. Bruce Foote has separate manuscript notes for the catalogue.

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C. A. SOUTER—2-4-06.

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H. D. TAYLOR—26-4-06.

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H. BRADLEY—3-4-06.

We must keep Mr. Bruce Foote up to the scratch. He said there was only *a few * hours' work*. Better ask him when the list may be expected to be in the hands of Government and the selection of specimens completed.

H. D. TAYLOR—25-4-06.

* Of course he did not mean that.

G. S. F[ORBES].

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

P. T. THARYAN—25-4-06.

C. A. SOUTER—25-4-06.

From the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 24th April 1906, *No.* 410.

Please return the file just sent to office. Add this to file.

H. D. TAYLOR—26-4-06.

Returned as directed.

P. T. THARYAN—26-4-06.

The Superintendent, Government Museum's letter is a curious one. Mr. Bruce Foote appears to have sealed up with his own seal, and without the knowledge of the Superintendent, Government Museum, the specimens selected by him. He should have applied to the Superintendent, Government Museum, to place his own seal upon them if sealing were at all necessary. Mr. Foote would appear still to claim some right of property in these specimens.

Let Mr. Thurston manage his own business. It has nothing to do with us.

G. S. F[ORBES].

Send the memo. placed below

H. D. Taylor—20-4-06

[memo. no 188 dt 20-4-06]

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It is desirable that the final selection should be made without delay and the Survey Department allowed to proceed with its work, but it would be cruel to ask an old man like Mr. Bruce Foote to proceed to Madras to complete the work at this time of year. I have added a paragraph to the draft asking him to do so as soon as possible after the burst of the south-west monsoon.

H. D. Taylor—26-4-06.

He has selected already some 400 or 500 specimens.

run on

Mr. Thurston says nothing anywhere that I can find as to any hurry in selecting the other specimens.

run on

No use asking him as in draft. He must have time to illustrate the list.

G. S. F[orbes]—26-4-06.

H. D. Taylor. | The file may now lie over for some time longer?

P. T. Tharyan—27-4-06.

Secretary for information.

C. A. Souter—27-4-06.

Seen.

H. D. Taylor—28-4-06.

The Assistant Secretary desired the file to be put up ~~on Monday~~ again to see whether any further action should now be taken.

P. T. Tharyan—18-6-06.

May Mr. Bruce Foote be again reminded?

C. A. Souter—18-6-06.

We may wait till 1st July.

H. D. Taylor—19-6-06.

May the reminder now go?

P. T. Tharyan—2-7-06.

I see that Mr. Bradley suggested that Mr. Robertson should be asked to be the *deus ex machina.*

C. A. Souter—2-7-06.

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2. The selection of specimens for illustration is still incomplete: this work, as soon as the specimens have been selected, will be carried out by the Survey Department.

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Please see the Honourable Member's orders of 23rd March 1906 on page 5 of K.W. G.O., 233, Educational, dated 29th March 1906.

3. Unless Mr. Foote is kept up to the mark, I fear that we shall never see that catalogue.

I doubt if we shall in any case.

G. S. F[orbes].

H. D. Taylor—3-7-06.

First write demi-officially to Thurston and ask if he knows how Bruce-Foote is getting on.

G. S. F[orbes]—3-7-06.

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

P. T. Tharyan—4-7-06.

C. A. Souter—4-7-06.

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H. D. Taylor—5-7-06.

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Government of Madras.

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G.O., No. 581, 3rd September 1906.

H. P.

Bruce Foote collection of prehistorics.

Recording certain correspondence connected with the printing of the check list and the selection of specimens for the catalogue raisonné of the — in the Madras Museum.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers:—

I

G.O., No. 650, Educational, dated 2nd October 1905.

Read—the following papers:—

Letter—from A. Rea, Esq., F.S.A.Scot., M.S.A., M.R.A.S., Superintendent, Archæological Survey (Madras and Coorg).
To—the Chief Secretary to Government.
Dated—Camp Madras, the 20th June 1905.
No.—929.

In continuation of my letter No. 889, dated 4th October 1904, [printed with G.O., No. 646, Educational, dated 24th October 1904] returning to Government, the check-list of the Bruce Foote collection of prehistoric antiquities, I have the honour to state that I have a letter from Mr. Bruce Foote, in which he states that he has been working hard at his book on prehistories. He has been waiting for months in expectation of receiving the check list, in which to enter the needful amplifications from his own catalogue. He wishes that it might be sent as soon as possible.

Memorandum No. 400, *dated* 19*th July* 1905.

The undersigned has the honour to send a proof of the check-list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of prehistoric antiquities and to request that Mr. Thurston will be good enough to pass it for the press and to advise Government as to how many copies of the list should be struck off.

H. D. Taylor,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent, Government Museum.

Letter—from E. Thurston, Esq., Superintendent, Government Museum.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—the 22nd September 1905.
No.—882.

With reference to Memorandum No. 400, Educational, dated 19th July 1905, I have the honour to report that I have attempted to revise the proof sheets of Mr. Foote's check-list, but find so many difficulties, owing to abbreviations in the manuscript, etc., that I propose to postpone the work until I am able to confer with Mr. Foote, who is expected in Madras some time in November.

Order—No. 650, *Educational, dated 2nd October* 1905.

The Superintendent's proposal is accepted.

(True Extract.)

H. D. Taylor,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent, Government Museum.

II

Memorandum No. 8, dated 9th January 1906.

With reference to his letter No. 882, dated 22nd September 1905, read in G.O., No. 650, Educational, dated 2nd October 1905, the Superintendent, Government Museum, is requested to be so good as to state what progress has been made in correcting the proof of the check-list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of prehistoric antiquities and when the proof as finally revised by him may be expected by Government.

(By Order.)

C. A. Souter,
Ag. Asst. Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent, Government Museum.

III

Letter—from E. Thurston, Esq., Superintendent, Government Museum.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—Madras, the 17th January 1906.
No.—59.

With reference to Memorandum No. 8, dated 9th instant, I have the honour to state that the proof of the check-list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of the prehistoric antiquities has been passed on to Mr. Foote, who is at present in Madras.

IV

G.O., No. 233, Educational, dated 29th March 1906.

Abstract.—Requesting Mr. Bruce Foote to arrange for the early submission of his catalogue raisonné of prehistoric antiquities and stating that the important specimens of the collection may be illustrated according to the method adopted in the preparation of the catalogue of prehistorics in the Government Museum.

V

Memorandum No. 188, dated 20th April 1906.

With reference to paragraph 3 of G.O., No. 233, Educational, dated 29th March 1906, the Superintendent, Government Museum, is requested to state what progress has been made by Mr. Bruce Foote in selecting the specimens required for the purpose of illustrating the catalogue raisonné.

H. D. Taylor,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

VI

Letter—from E. Thurston, Esq., Superintendent, Government Museum.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—Madras, the 24th April 1906.
No.—410.

With reference to Memorandum No. 188, Educational, dated 20th April 1906, I have the honour to report that Mr. Foote, prior to his departure from Madras, examined the contents of forty-one out of the seventy boxes containing the collection purchased from him. Twenty-nine boxes, therefore, remain to be examined. Mr. Foote set apart between 400 and 500 specimens, the exact number of which I am unable to give, as some are contained in little boxes inside cases which were locked up and sealed with Mr. Foote's initials before he left Madras.

Order—No. 581, Educational, dated 3rd September 1906.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

H. D. Taylor,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 581, EDUCATIONAL, DATED 3RD SEPTEMBER 1906.

[SUBJECT.—*Catalogue of the Bruce Foote collection of prehistoric antiquities.*]

From the Superintendent, Archæological Survey, Madras, dated 20th June 1905, No. 929.

I hope that the printing of the Bruce Foote Catalogue is being pushed on with. The proof of this also might be sent to Mr. Thurston for correction. Ask Superintendent, Government Press, when it will be ready. Have orders issued as to the number of copies of the catalogue required to be struck off?

H. D. TAYLOR—13-7-05.

Proof of Mr. Bruce Foote's check list (100 pages) is submitted with a note in separate file. Proof of the remaining portion will be received during the course of next week.

2. As ordered by the Secretary, the proof, it is submitted, may be sent to Mr. Thurston for correction.

3. When the proof has been finally passed by Mr. Thurston, the Superintendent, Government Press, may be asked to fix a date when the list will be ready.

4. No orders have issued as to the number of copies to be printed. Mr. Thurston may be asked how many copies may be struck off.

5. Meanwhile it is submitted some proof copies may be sent to Mr. Bruce Foote.

Yes. Send two copies.
H. D. TAYLOR.

6. A draft is placed below for approval.

T.K.—15-7-05.

A. GALLETTI—17-7-05.

H. D. TAYLOR—18-7-05.

[Memorandum No. 400, dated 19th July 1905.]

Demi-official from A. Galletti, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Assistant Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to R. Bruce Foote, Esq., c/o Messrs. H. S. King & Co., Waterloo Place, Pall Mall, dated 31st July 1905, *No.* 133.

I am directed to forward for the present two copies of rough proofs of the check list of your collection of prehistoric antiquities to enable you to begin adding to the list the short notes regarding the specimens promised in your letter of 26th August 1904. A copy of the list as finally printed will be furnished to you with reference to paragraph 3 of G.O., No. 535, Educational, dated 31st August 1904, as soon as copies of them have been struck off.

Demi-official from R. Bruce Foote, Esq., 65, *Warwick Road, Earl's Court, S.W., to the Assistant Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated* 1*st September* 1905.

Your letter of the 31st July and two copies of the rough proofs of my check list of the prehistoric collection I sold to Government last year only reached me by last mail and unfortunately too late to be of any present use. Had they come a month ago I could have made some use of them and they would have saved my incurring a considerable expense, for fearing a possible loss of my catalogue raisonné when returning to India I arranged to get a type-written copy made so as to have a second string to my bow. I cannot make any additions to the check list at present as I am immensely busy preparing to return to India in November, and have yet much work to get through at the libraries of the Antiquarian and Asiatic Societies.

I leave this on the 19th instant and hope to travel across the continent visiting many museums *en route* and winding up with the Cairo Museum.

I have been working very hard at prehistorics ever since I got back to England and specially so since I got up out of bed about the beginning of February.

I hope to be at Yercaud by the end of November and to descend to Madras very soon after.

I must end so as to catch to-day's mail.

From the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 22*nd September* 1905, *No.* 882.

For orders as to whether the Superintendent, Government Museum's proposal may be accepted. If accepted, the draft placed below may issue.

N.L.R.—26-9-05.

P. T. Tharyan—26-9-05.

A letter just received from Mr. Bruce Foote, is put up.

A. Galletti—29-9-05.

Issue.

H. D. Taylor—30-9-05.

[G.O., No. 650, Educational, dated 2nd October 1905.]

Remarks against Memorandum No. 400, dated 19th July 1905, in the Educational call book:—

"Mr. Bruce Foote has arrived. The Superintendent, Government Museum, may "be asked to report progress."

H. D. Taylor—4-1-06.

The draft memorandum placed below is submitted for approval.

S.A.M.—5-1-06.

P. T. Tharyan—5-1-06.

Issue.

C. A. Souter—6-1-06.

[Memorandum No. 8, dated 9th January 1906.]

From the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 17*th January* 1906, *No.* 59.

The Superintendent, Government Museum, reports that the proof of the check list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of prehistoric antiquities has been passed on to Mr. Foote, now in Madras, but does not say what progress has been made and when it may probably be expected. For orders as to whether this information should be called for or whether the present letter may be simply lodged.

N.L.R.—18-1-06.

The present letter may lie over.

P. T. Tharyan—19-1-06.

Yes, lie over.

C. A. Souter—19-1-06.

Should not Mr. Thurston be asked to get back the check list?

P. T. Tharyan—6-3-06.

It may be required in connection with the catalogue.

C. A. Souter—7-3-06.

Mr. Bruce Foote has returned one copy of the check list uncorrected; it is placed below. He says he has two other copies, but it seems that he proposes to publish his catalogue from a separate manuscript. It would save Press work if he entered up corrections and additions on the check list itself.

H. D. Taylor—17-3-06.

The original of the check list is not forthcoming in the office. Please see telephone message to the Superintendent, Government Press, asking whether it is with him. If he says it is not with him, the Superintendent, Government Museum, will be asked.

P. T. Tharyan—20-3-06.

Issue.

C. A. Souter—21-3-06.

Telephonic message from the Assistant Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to the Superintendent, Government Press, dated 21*st March* 1906.

Have you got the original of the check list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of prehistorics and protohistories? The matter is now in type. If you have the original, please send it over.

Telephonic message from the Superintendent, Government Press, to the Assistant Secretary, Educational Department, dated 28*th March* 1906.

I replied to you on the 22nd instant that the original of prehistories and protohistories are not with the Press.

Telephonic message from the Assistant Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 29*th March* 1906.

Have you got the original of the check list of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of prehistorics and protohistorics? Or is it among the papers you handed over to Mr. Bruce Foote?

Telephonic message from the Superintendent, Government Museum, to the Assistant Secretary, Educational Department, dated 31*st March* 1906.

The manuscript of Mr. Foote's check list is with him.

Please see the Secretary's note dated 17th instant *supra*. Should Mr. Bruce Foote be now asked whether he can make corrections and additions on the proof of the check list so that the matter already in type may be utilized for the catalogue raisonné?

The type of the check list has been standing for some time now and if it is not to be utilized it seems desirable to break it up as soon as possible.

P. T. Tharyan—31-3-06.

As far as I understand, Mr. Bruce Foote has separate manuscript notes for the catalogue.

It may be doubted whether it would do any good to ask him to change his methods. He might "jib".

C. A. Souter—2-4-06.

Better leave him alone for a bit and then get Robertson or some one to interview and smooth him down at Yercaud. It will do more harm than good to tackle him again for, say, a couple of months.

H. Bradley—3-4-06.

Mr. Bruce Foote told me there was only a few hours' work remaining to be done, and with a man of Mr. Bruce Foote's age and state of health, two months is a large wait. I do not believe in interviews in his case. He merely tries to break old ground.

H. D. Taylor—26-4-06.

Send the memorandum placed below.

H. D. Taylor—20-4-06.

[Memorandum No. 188, dated 20th April 1906.]

We must keep Mr. Bruce Foote up to the scratch. He said there was only *a few* * *hours' work*. Better ask him when the list may be expected to be in the hands of Government and the selection of specimens completed.

H. D. Taylor—25-4-06.

* Of course he did not mean that.

G. S. F[orbes].

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

P. T. Tharyan—25-4-06.

C. A. Souter—25-4-06.

From the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 24th April 1906, *No.* 410.

Please return the file just sent to office. Add this to file.

H. D. Taylor—26-4-06.

Returned as directed.

P. T. Tharyan—26-4-06.

The Superintendent, Government Museum's letter is a curious one. Mr. Bruce Foote appears to have sealed up with his own seal, and without the knowledge of the Superintendent, Government Museum, the specimens selected by him. He should have applied to the Superintendent, Government Museum, to place his own seal upon them if sealing were at all necessary. Mr. Foote would appear still to claim some right of property in these specimens.

Let Mr. Thurston manage his own business. It has nothing to do with us.

G. S. F[orbes].

2. It is desirable that the final selection should be made without delay and the Survey Department allowed to proceed with its work, but it would be cruel to ask an old man like Mr. Bruce Foote to proceed to Madras to complete the work at this time of year. I have added a paragraph to the draft asking him to do so as soon as possible after the burst of the south-west monsoon.

H. D. Taylor—26-4-06.

He has selected already some 400 or 500 specimens. Mr. Thurston says nothing anywhere that I can find as to any hurry in selecting the other specimens. No use asking him as in draft. He must have time to illustrate the list.

G. S. F[orbes]—26-4-06.

H. D. Taylor. The file may now lie over for some time longer?

P. T. Tharyan—27-4-06.

Secretary for information.

C. A. Souter—27-4-06.

Seen.

H. D. Taylor—28-4-06.

The Assistant Secretary desired the file to be put up again to see whether any further action should now be taken.

P. T. Tharyan—18-6-06.

May Mr. Bruce Foote be again reminded?

C. A. Souter—18-6-06.

We may wait till 1st July.

H. D. Taylor—19-6-06.

May the reminder now go?

P. T. Tharyan—2-7-06.

I see that Mr. Bradley suggested that Mr. Robertson should be asked to be the *deus ex machina*.

C. A. Souter—2-7-06.

Submitted that Mr. Burce Foote may now be reminded. In March last he distinctly informed me that only a few hours' work was required to complete the catalogue and preface.

2. The selection of specimens for illustration is still incomplete: this work, as soon as the specimens have been selected, will be carried out by the Survey Department. Please see the Honourable Member's orders of 23rd March 1906 on page 5 of K.W. G.O., 233, Educational, dated 29th March 1906.

3. Unless Mr. Foote is kept up to the mark, I fear that we shall never see that catalogue.

H. D. Taylor—3-7-06.

I doubt if we shall in any case.

G. S. F[orbes].

First write demi-officially to Thurston and ask if he knows how Bruce Foote is getting on.

G. S. F[orbes]—3-7-06.

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

P. T. Tharyan—4-7-06.

C. A. Souter—4-7-06.

Issue.

H. D. Taylor—5-7-06.

Demi-official from H. D. Taylor, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 5th July 1906, *No.* 107.

With reference to G.O., No. 233, Educational, dated 29th March 1906, I am directed to ask you if you have any information as to how Mr. Bruce Foote is getting on with the catalogue raisonné of the collection of prehistoric articles purchased from him by the Government. With reference to your letter No. 410 of the 24th April last I am also to ask you whether any further progress has been made by Mr. Bruce Foote in selecting the specimens required for the purpose of illustrating the catalogue.

Demi-official from E. Thurston, Esq., Superintendent, Government Museum, to the Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated 13*th July* 1906, *No.* 678.

Reference your demi-official No. 107 of the 5th instant. On June 7th Foote wrote to me that he had sent a type-written copy of his catalogue raisonné to the Government Press, and I have since had some correspondence with him as to the size and form thereof. No progress has been made in selecting specimens for illustration since Foote left Madras earlier in the year. The selected specimens remain as indicated in my No. 410 of 24th April 1906.

Mr. Thurston writes to say that Mr. Foote had sent a type-written copy of his catalogue raisonné to the Government Press, and that no further progress has been made in the selection of specimens since Mr. Foote left Madras early this year. That is to say, 29 boxes containing the collection purchased from him remain to be examined and only 41 boxes have been examined, the number of specimens selected from these 41 boxes being between 400 and 500.

P. R.—19-7-06.

P. T. THARYAN—19-7-06.

Circulated to the Honourable Member for information.

H. D. TAYLOR—20-7-06.

G. S. F[ORBES]—21-7-06.

Demi official from R. Bruce Foote, Esq., Yercaud, to the Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated 16*th July* 1906.

I have been in correspondence for some little time past with Mr. Fisher of the Government Press in Madras and understand from him that he has had no instructions from your office about the printing of the catalogue raisonné of my collection of prehistorics; will you therefore kindly instruct him as to the printing of the catalogue, of which I have sent him my manuscript.

As you will therefore have the full catalogue, I presume the printing of the check list will not be proceeded with as it will be valueless beside the former work.

I have secured a house in Madras for the cold weather and hope then to finish off all the work absolutely.

Were no instructions issued to the Superintendent, Government Press?

H. D. TAYLOR—19-7-06.

Submitted that no instruction has been given to the Superintendent, Government Press, as yet as to the printing of the catalogue raisonné of the collection of prehistoric articles purchased from Mr. Bruce Foote. In paragraph 2 of Mr. Cardew's demi-official No. 96 of the 28th September 1903 on pages 5 and 6 of the notes with G.O., No. 105, Educational, dated 12th February 1904, it was stated:

> "The Government has not enforced that part of the agreement which stipulates "that you should publish the catalogue, and will, if it decides to buy the collection, "print the catalogue itself and supply you with a small number of copies, but it "cannot do these or settle the question of exercising its option to purchase the "collection until the catalogue is ready."

In paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 233, Educational, dated 29th March 1906, it was stated that "Mr. Bruce Foote should now arrange to place in the hands of the "Government the catalogue raisonné with as little delay as possible."

2. Submitted therefore that Mr. Bruce Foote should have sent the catalogue to the Press through the Government.

3. The check list given by Mr. Foote when the collection was purchased is in type and will no longer be required. If any portion of the matter has to be utilized Mr. Bruce Foote may be asked to do this and then to instruct the Superintendent to break up the type.

P. T. THARYAN—19-7-06.

It is something to have got thus far. The Superintendent, Government Press, may be asked to put in type the catalogue as sent by Mr. Bruce Foote and to send a copy of proof to Mr. Thurston as well as to Mr. Foote, so that the former may see that all is correct.

2. The illustrations might perhaps be published as a separate volume. The catalogue should not however be struck off without the orders of Government.

I think it probably would be very useful as a *hand* catalogue for visitors who want to know only the names of things.

G. S. F[ORBES]—21-7-06.

3. Mr. Thurston may be asked after seeing a proof of the catalogue as now proposed to be printed whether the check list is still required.

H. D. TAYLOR—21-7-06.

Please draft official memorandum to Superintendent, Government Press, and reply to Mr. Bruce Foote for approval.

H. D. TAYLOR—21-7-06.

Please see the drafts placed below for approval.

2. The reply to Mr. Bruce Foote has been drafted in order form with reference to the Secretary's orders of 22nd February 1906 on page 6 of the notes with G.O., No. 120, Educational, dated 26th idem.

3. If this draft order is slightly altered, a separate memorandum to the Superintendent, Government Press, may not be necessary.

P. T. THARYAN—21-7-06.

Please communicate the orders to Mr. Thurston.

C. G. MACKAY—23-7-06.

I think in this case letter in demi-official form may issue. Please type.

H. D. TAYLOR—24-7-06.

Typed and resubmitted.

P. T. THARYAN—24-7-06.

Perhaps Mr. Thurston may be asked to approve the form of the catalogue before it is put in type. If so, the Superintendent, Government Press, will be asked to send it to him for perusal.

H. D. TAYLOR—25-7-06.

The demi-official will do very well.

G. S. F[ORBES]—27-7-06.

Issue.

H. D. TAYLOR—27-7-06.

Demi-official from H. D. Taylor, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to R. Bruce Foote, Esq., Yercaud, dated 27*th July* 1906, *No.* 112.

In reply to your letter of 16th instant I am to say that no instructions were given to the Superintendent of the Government Press for the printing of the catalogue raisonné of the prehistorics purchased from you by Government, because it was understood that you would in the first instance forward the catalogue to Government direct with reference to paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 233, Educational, dated 29th March 1906.

2. As, however, you have forwarded the manuscript direct to the Superintendent of the Government Press, the latter has been instructed to put the work in hand without delay and to supply you with the necessary proof for correction.

3. I am to add that the Government consider that the check list may also be very useful as a *hand* catalogue for visitors who want to know only the names of things and that it is desirable that copies of it should also be struck off. The Government would therefore be glad if you can have the proof of the check list passed through the press without delay so that the Superintendent can strike off copies and break up the type which may be required for printing of the catalogue raisonné.

4. The Government would be glad to hear that the selection of specimens for reproduction with the catalogue has been completed so that the Survey Department may be able to take steps for photographing them at an early date.

Copy of Mr. Foote's letter and reply may be sent to Mr. Thurston with demi-official.

H. D. Taylor—27-7-06.

The draft demi-official placed below is submitted for approval.

P. T. Tharyan—31-7-06.

C. G. Mackay—1-8-06.

Demi-official from H. D. Taylor, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 2nd August 1906, *No.* 116.

In continuation of Memorandum No. 338, Educational, dated 24th July 1906, I am directed to send you a copy of Mr. Bruce Foote's letter of the 16th as well as of the reply to it of the 27th idem on the subject of the printing of the catalogue raisonné of the collection of prehistorics purchased from him and the check list of the same furnished by him.

Demi-official from R. Bruce Foote, Esq., to the Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated Yercaud, 31st July 1906, *No.* 78-*R.*

In reply to your letter of the 27th instant I would express my regret that I did not, in compliance with paragraph 2 of G O., No. 233, Educational, dated 29th March 1906, send the manuscript of my catalogue raisonné to you direct. I had no reason for not doing so, but that the paragraph in question had escaped my memory, and that I had sent the manuscript of my catalogue of the Museum prehistorics direct to the Superintendent of the Government Press who put it in type without asking for any special authorization.

2. As the Government has decided to print my catalogue raisonné with only an introductory chapter instead of assisting me to publish a volume in which I proposed to incorporate the essential facts elicited by a close study of my collection with a full sketch of the progress of *prehistoric* archæology in India, I am compelled to rewrite
my work almost entirely, which I do not find an easy task, and I do not see when
A or how I am to find time to correct the proofs of the check list which you now
require me to do. It will be as much as I can do to finish off the catalogue with
its introduction properly by the end of this year.

3. The selection of specimens to be figured occupied a great deal of my attention when in Madras at the beginning of this year. My collection which I had expected to find in a condition ready to be displayed was still in the cases in which it had been packed when Mr. Rea took charge of it in September 1904! No room had been provided in the Museum in which to display it and there were no table cases into which to lay out the great mass of it. Only three cases could be found in which I

could set apart the specimens I wished to have figured. I went through half the number of cases before the hot weather drove me away to the hills. The remainder I hope to look up when I return to Madras in October next, which I have arranged to do. By that time I trust I shall find a room ready prepared to contain the collection and sufficient table cases in which to lay it out permanently.

4. When all the specimens are unpacked the photographing can proceed rapidly under my own eye. The attempt to have them photographed by a non-expert could only lead to many mistakes and much disappointment.

5. It will be only fair to myself to remind you that I am no longer young (I shall be 72 in September) and very far from strong and for that reason wish to avoid all possible unnecessary work.

Educational Department.

In his last letter (page 6 *supra*) I thought Mr. Bruce Foote said that the Superintendent, Government Press, refused to put the catalogue in type without the orders of Government? However, if it is in type—so much the better.

G. S. F[orbes].

2. The first object, and one of primary importance, is to get the catalogue. The printing of the check list may meanwhile be deferred; but it is locking up a lot of type.

3. Mr. Foote is anxious, naturally, to get the collection, in which he takes such an interest, to be displayed in the Museum to the best advantage; but it is not known whether sufficient space is likely to be available by October. A copy of Mr. Bruce Foote's letter may be sent to Mr. Thurston, and he may be asked what arrangement he can make to comply with Mr. Bruce Foote's wishes and to facilitate his work.

H. D. Taylor—3-8-06.

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

P. T. Tharyan—3-8-06

C. G. Mackay—8-8-06.

Issue.

H. D. Taylor—9-8-06.

Demi-official from H. D. Taylor, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to the Superintendent, Government Museum, dated 9th August 1906, *No.* 119.

In continuation of my demi-official No. 116 of the 2nd instant, I am directed to send you a copy of a further letter received from Mr. Bruce Foote, dated the 31st July 1906, and to ask what arrangements you can make temporarily or otherwise to comply with his wishes in providing for the display of the collection of prehistorics purchased from him and sufficient table cases in which to lay out the specimens which he wishes to have figured in order to facilitate his work.

Demi-official from E. Thurston, Esq., Superintendent, Government Museum, to the Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated 13th August 1906, *No.* 787.

As concerning your demi-official No. 119 of the 9th instant, I could not consider the question of a new room for the Foote collection until the proto-historic collection from Aditanallur in Tinnevelly was arranged in the annexe which was built for it. The arrangement thereof was finished early in the present year. On the completion of the work, I consulted Harris concerning a room for the Foote collection and fixed a site. Plans and estimates are in course of preparation, and, but for a mistake which occurred in connection therewith, would have been submitted to Government before now. However, I am hoping to send them in before long. Till the new room is built, it will, for want of space, be impossible to display the Foote collection in its entirety. I will, however, have the manufacture of a few more table cases set in hand, wherein Foote can temporarily place his specimens during the work of selection.

In demi-official No. 119, dated 9th instant, Mr. Thurston was asked what arrangements could be made temporarily or otherwise for the display of the collection of prehistorics purchased from Mr. Bruce Foote and for providing sufficient table cases in which to lay out the specimens which Mr. Foote wishes to have figured. Mr. Thurston now replies that for the display of the collection a new room is required, plans and estimates for which are in course of preparation and will be shortly submitted, and that meanwhile a few table cases will be made ready wherein Mr. Foote can temporarily place his specimens during the work of selection. May Mr. Foote be informed accordingly?

P. T. THARYAN—15-8-06.

C. G. MACKAY—16-8-06.

Mr. Foote is not concerned with the final arrangement and display of his collection which is now the property of Government. Mr. Thurston will see to that when sufficient accommodation is available. He may be informed that Mr. Thurston will endeavour to meet his convenience as far as possible by temporary arrangements in respect of space and table cases in which to lay out the specimens selected for a reproduction by photography.

H. D. TAYLOR—17-8-06.

The draft demi-official placed below is submitted for approval.

P. T. THARYAN—17-8-06.

C. G. MACKAY—18-8-06.

Issue.

H. D. TAYLOR—18-8-06.

Demi-official from H. D. Taylor, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Secretary to Government, Educational Department, to R. Bruce Foote, Esq., dated 20th August 1906, No. 124.

In reply to your letter of the 31st ultimo, I am directed to state that Mr. Thurston will endeavour to meet your convenience as far as possible by temporary arrangements in respect of space and table cases in which to lay out the specimens selected by you for reproduction by photography.

2. No space is at present available for the complete arrangement of the collection purchased from you to Government.

Copy forwarded to Mr. E. Thurston for information.

P. T. THARYAN—17-8-06.

C. G. MACKAY—18-8-06.

The catalogue raisonné of Mr. Bruce Foote's collection of prehistorics is now being printed at the Government Press and Mr. Foote has promised to complete during the next cold weather the selection of specimens for reproduction with the catalogue.

Memorandum No. 338, Educational, dated 24th July 1906.

2. As regards the check list Mr. Foote was asked in demi-official No. 112, dated 27th July 1906, paragraph 3, whether he could pass it through the Press without delay. His reply is "I do not see when or how I am to find time to correct the "proof of the check list which you now require me to do. It will be as much as I can "do to finish off the catalogue with its introduction properly by the end of this year."

3. Under the circumstances the printing of the check list should apparently be deferred. There appears to be no use in addressing Mr. Bruce Foote again on the subject at present, but perhaps after he goes down to Madras in October Mr. Thurston may renew the request. If so, Mr. Thurston has to be asked to do so.

P. T. THARYAN—29-8-06.

There seems no use in carrying on further correspondence just at present. When Mr. Bruce Foote goes to Madras, Mr. Thurston and he may be asked to confer and settle matters between them.

C. G. MACKAY—30-8-06.

With reference to the Honourable Member's marginal note on page 7 *supra*, attention is invited to Mr. Bruce Foote's remarks at **A** on page 8 *supra*.

In the circumstances the question of the check list may lie over till the work of the catalogue is well advanced. If Mr. Foote is asked to do too much, he may break down altogether.

Meanwhile these papers may be "Recorded".

H. D. TAYLOR—31-8-06.

Yes. The check list or hand catalogue can, as a matter of fact, be prepared at any time by the Museum people from the catalogue raisonné: so perhaps we need not bother Mr. Bruce Foote farther, at any rate now.

G. S. F[ORBES]—1-9-06.

Record.

H. D. TAYLOR—3-9-06.

The draft placed below may be passed.

P. T. THARYAN—3-9-06.

Yes.

C. G. MACKAY—3-9-06.

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