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Masulipatam 9th March 1857
N^o 1. H. P. 1000,

Mr. J. J. Cotton Esquire
Civil and Session Judge
of Masulipatam

To,
J. Dyer Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government
Judicial Department
Fort St. George.

Sir,

1. With reference to my letter
of the 27th May 1856, N^o 258 in
the Judicial Department, and
to the inconveniences pointed out,
not only by myself but by others
to which up-country servants
of Government have been sub-
jected by the peremptory cir-
culars of the Civil Auditor
under date 17th May 1856.

2. I beg respectfully to sub-
mit for the consideration
of

of the Government, the following suggestion which may be moulded into some more convenient and practicable form should it meet, as I trust it may, with approval.

3. Under the present obnoxious (I use the term as adopted universally by those situated as I am at a distance from the Presidency) arrangements, not only are we debarr'd from the privilege of drawing our salaries as soon after the commencement of each month as our fellow Servants are able to do at the Presidency, but we are further subjected to the additional inconvenience of an indefinite delay in the transmission of remittances to our Agents or others. (In my case the delay is never less than

than twenty days, ten days till the receipt of the abstracts, and ten days on account of Accountant General's Bill or Round Letter with those located at greater distances from the Presidency this delay is proportionately increased.)

4. (Those who are obliged to make remittances regularly to their families in England or elsewhere, are frequently subjected to further inconvenience and losses (I am personally acquainted with one or two instances of the kind which have lately occurred) owing to the fluctuating state of the money Market during the lengthened period that elapses between the beginning of a month, when the salary became payable to the individual, and the final date

on which such permission is realized, (let alone the vexations occasioned by the misdirection of the Envelope, retransmitting the Abstracts, which not infrequently happens.)

5 The suggestion that I have the honor respectfully to bring forward is, that under the heading "Deductions" in red ink at the back of such Abstracts, any party concerned, and alluded to, may have the privilege of depositing such sums from his Abstract, as he may wish, in the General Treasury payable on demand to the Party in whose name such deposit is made, or order; or, if it would be considered more desirable, that such drafts should be made for the whole amount of deposit, payable only to a Bank,

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Bank, a House of Agency, or other Firm, or Accountant General, in Madras.

6. The advantages to up-country Servants of Government by the foregoing arrangement is, that they would be enabled to forward an order to their Agents or other party as above, at the same time with the despatch of their Abstracts to the Civil Auditor, by which the sums in question would be realized so much earlier to the credit of the individuals concerned; while at the same time it is imagined that little or no inconvenience to Government would be felt by this accommodation.

Masulipatam
Gillat Court
6th March 1857
I do Despatched today
I have the honor to be
Sir, your most obed^t Servant
H. H. H.
Civil and Sessions Judge
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From

J. J. Cotton Esquire
Civil and Session Judge
of the Masulipatam

To

T. Dyar Esquire
Chief Secy to Government
Judicial Department
Fort St George

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Referred to the Ac.

Countant General for his report on the
arrangement suggested by Mr Cotton
in para 5 of his letter.

Chief Secy

For to St George,
18th March 1857.

To Agent General Dispt. 18th Ret. at 12 o'clock.
Ret. 19th at 5 o'clock PM.

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End of the subject of 104 & 105/57.

Further letter from the Accountant General of 31st March 1857 No 156

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