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No. 66. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel A. C. PEARS, Postmaster General, Madras; to the Secretary to Government, Financial Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 8th July 1863, No. 1,357.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Order, No. 410, of the 23rd ultimo, forwarding for inquiry and report the Proceedings of Government respecting the delay attending receipt of the Honorable T. Pycroft's Government Securities, and forward herewith copy of my reply to the Director General of Post Office in India, No. 93 of this day's date on the subject.

2. Government will perceive that the delay complained of in no way rests on the Postal Department.

From Lieutenant Colonel A. C. PEARS, Postmaster General; to the Director General of the Post Office in India, dated Madras, 8th July 1863, No. 93.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Docket, No. 461 of the 6th ultimo, and in returning its original enclosures, to state that from inquiries made I find that no delay in the case of the documents under inquiry occurred in the Madras Post Office, and that the registered letter containing them were delivered to the Accountant General, Fort Saint George, on the date of its receipt at the Madras Post Office.

2. I subjoin copy of a Memorandum to the address of the Postmaster of Madras from the Acting Accountant General, Fort Saint George, No. 80, dated 6th June, from which it will be seen that the delay especially complained of by the Honorable Mr. Pycroft is attributable to the Madras Bank.

3. As a rule all letters received for delivery by the Madras Post Office are delivered at the first delivery which takes place after the arrival of the Mail by which they are brought, and there is not the slightest reason for supposing that this rule is not strictly abided by in the case of letters received to the address of the Accountant General, Fort Saint George.

4. In the last paragraph of the letter noted in the margin,* it is stated that when Promissory Notes are ready for despatch just after the Steamer has left Calcutta, they are retained till the next Steamer. With reference to this I have to observe, under this course the Notes take twenty days to reach the Accountant General, Fort Saint George, for the next Steamer does not start from Calcutta until fifteen days after, and the five days of the vogage makes up twenty days; whereas if after the starting of the Steamer the Notes are sent on at once by land dâwk, for say six days subsequently, they will reach Madras in from twelve to eighteen days.

* From Officiating Accountant General to the Government of India, to the Secretary to Government, Financial Department, No. $\frac{160}{73}$, dated 8th May 1863.

No. 80.

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

Bond Department.

Your letter, dated the 19th May 1863, No. 58, states that a letter dated the 19th and two others, dated 22nd December last, from the 2nd Assistant Accountant General to the Government of India, containing Government securities were received in this Department from the Post Office on the 27th idem, but the letters from the Loan Department at Calcutta under dates the 19th and 22nd January last, which enclosed the Honorable T. Pycroft's four Government securities, amounting to Rupees 3,000 (the subject of the complaint of the Madras Government), were received here on the 27th January last. The cause of delay in this instance is mainly attributable to the Bank of Madras in having taken a month and seven days to call for the Promissory Notes in question, which were advertised by this Department as ready for delivery on the 30th January last, as will be seen from the Memorandum annexed. It is requested that the information herein given may be communicated to the authorities in Bengal.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
ACCOUNTANT GENL.'s OFFICE,
6th June 1863.

(Signed) R. W. LODWICK,
Acting Accountant General.

To the Postmaster, Madras.

MEMORANDUM.

Particulars of Government Promissory Notes belonging to the Honorable T. Pycroft.	Date of letter from Bank of Madras forwarding the Notes in question.	When received in the Accountant General's Office at Madras.	When forwarded to Bengal for renewal.	When received from Bengal after renewal.	When advertised by the Local Department at Madras as ready for delivery.	When new Notes were called for by the Bank of Madras.	Remarks.
5 Per cent.							
No. 17,208 of 1856-57 for Rs. 500...	5th Nov. 1862.	14th Nov. 1862.	*13th Dec. 1862.	27th Jan. 1863.	30th Jan. 1863.	7th March 1863.	* This delay was owing to the great pressure of work, there having been many more Bonds than usual at the time in this office.
„ 35,860 of „ for „ 1,000	4th Dec. „	5th Dec. „	20th Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
„ 35,863 of „ for „ 1,000							
„ 45,320 of „ for „ 500...	10th do. „	11th do. „	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	

(Signed) R. W. LODWICK,

Acting Accountant General.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) A. C. PEARS, Lieut. Colonel,

Postmaster General.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
28th July 1863.

No. 67. ORDER THEREON, 28th July 1863, No. 484.

Resolved that the Directors of the Bank of Madras be requested to explain the cause of the delay in applying for the Promissory Notes referred to, when they had been advertised as ready for delivery on the 30th January last.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

Chief Secretary.

Ed. T. McMoolry.

Madras

POSTMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
8th July 1863.

No. 1357

From

The Postmaster General.
Madras

To

The ~~Chief~~ Secretary to Government,
Financial Department,
Fort St. George.

SIR,

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

Post Master General

Madras
Post Master Genl's Office
8th July 1863.

No. 93

To

The Director General
of the Post Office in India

Sir,

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2. I subjoin Copy of a Memorandum to the address of the Post Master of Madras from the Acting Accountant General Fort Saint George No. 80 dated 6th June from which it will be seen that the delay especially complained of by the Honble Mr. Pycroft is attributable to the

Madras Bank.

3. As a rule all letters received for delivery by the Madras Post Office are delivered at the first delivery which takes place after the arrival of the Mail by which they are brought and there is not the slightest reason for supposing that this rule is not strictly abided by in the case of letters received to the address of the Accountant General Fort Saint George.

4. In the last paragraph of the letter noted in the margin[x] it is stated that when Promissary Notes are ready for despatch just after the steamer has left Calcutta they are retained till the next steamer. With reference to this I have to observe under this course the Notes take 20 days to reach the Accountant General Fort Saint George for the next steamer does not start from Calcutta until 15 days after and the 5 days of the voyage

[x] From Offg. Accountant General to the Govt of India to the Secty to Govt. Financial Depart. No. 100/13 dated 8th May 1863

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I am &c.

(Signed) A. C. Peard.
Post Master General

Bond Department.

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Fort St George
Accountt Genl's Office
6th June 1863

[Signed] W. Lodwick
Ag Accountt General

To
The Post Master Madras

Memorandum

Particulars of Government Promissary Note belonging to the Honble T. Pycroft.

5 per cent.

Date of Letter from Bank of Madras forwarding the Notes in question	Orders received when advertised	Orders received when Notes were sent to Bengal for renewal after renewal	Notes sent to Calcutta for the Bank of Madras for delivery	Remarks
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" 35880 of — " — for — " — 1,000 — " —	"	"	"	
" 35813 of — " — for — " — 1000 — " —	4th Dec — "	5th Dec — "	20th "	
" 45320 of — " — for — " — 500 — " —	10th "	11th "	"	

Signed W. Lodwick
Ag Accountt General

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From
The Postmaster General
Madras

To
The Secretary to Govt.
Financial Dept.t
Fort Saint George

No 1357.

Dated 8th July 1863
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No. 468

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Reports on the delay attending the receipt of the Honorable Peyers of the Government Securities.

I would call upon the Madras Bank for explanation

J.P.

With an Order

Order thereon 28th July 1863 No. 484.

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J.P.

To the Secy & Treasurer of the Bank of Madras. dup 30

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