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No. 56. Read the following letter from J. L. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Acting Accountant General; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 15th April 1864, No. 454.

Bond Department.

I have the honor to annex copy of the Advocate General's opinion, dated 12th instant, and with reference thereto to request that you will be good enough to obtain from the Colonial Secretary at Colombo a copy of the Stamp Act now in force in the Island of Ceylon for the use of this office, to enable it to exercise a check on the amount of Stamps necessary for Powers of Attorney executed in that Colony, and intended to operate in this Presidency. Such documents have to be presented at this Department for registry when the sale, transfer or receipt of interest on Government Bonds is effected under them.

2. This application arises from the case of a Power of Attorney executed in Ceylon bearing no Stamp whatever being sent to this office for registry, while a similar Power if executed in England would bear a Stamp of 30 shillings value, or if prepared in India four Rupees.

3. Should any amendment of the Ceylon Stamp law be hereafter effected, I have to request that such change may likewise be communicated to this office.

COPY—OPINION.

I am of opinion that a Power of Attorney executed in Ceylon or any other British Colony, and intended to operate in British India, ought to bear whatever stamp the law of the Colony, where such Power is executed, requires for instruments of that description.

(Signed) T. S. SMYTH,
Advocate General.

12*th April* 1864.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. R. BOYSON,
Government Solicitor.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. MACKEY,
Acting 1st Assistant Accountant General.

No. 57. To the Colonial Secretary, Colombo, dated Fort Saint George, 25th April 1864, No. 232.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to transmit a copy of a letter from the Acting Accountant General, and to request that, with the permission of the Ceylon Government, a copy of the Stamp Act now in force in that Colony may be furnished for the use of his office, to enable it to exercise a check on the amount of Stamps necessary for Powers of Attorney executed in Ceylon, and intended to operate in this Presidency.

Dated 15th April 1864, No. 454.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

Bond Department. No. 4541 Fort Saint George
Account. Genl's Office
15 April 1864.

From
J. L. Lushington Esq^re.
Ag^t. Accountant General

To
The Hon^ble A. J. Arbuthnot
Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

1. I have the honor to annex copy of the Advocate General's opinion dated 12^th Instant and with reference thereto to request that you will be good enough to obtain from the Colonial Secretary at Colombo a copy of the Stamp Act now in force in the Island of Ceylon for the use of this Office, to enable it to exercise a check on the amount of Stamps necessary for Powers of Attorney executed in that Colony and intended to operate in this Presidency. Such documents have to be presented at this Department for registry when the sale, transfer or receipt of Interest on Government Bonds is effected under them.

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of 30 Shillings value, or if prepared in India four Rupees.

3. Should any amendment of the Ceylon Stamp law be hereafter effected I have to request that such change may likewise be communicated to this Office.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
J. L. Armstrong
Ag. Accountt. Genl.

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(Signed) T. Sydney Smyth
April 12th 1864. Advt. Genl.

True Copy
(S) J. R. Boyson
Govt. Solr.

(True Copy)
Asst. Accountt. Genl.

Financial Dept.

No. 232.

To

The Colonial Secretary
Colombo

Sir,

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The Acting Accountant General
To
The Chief Secretary to Government

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To

The Colonial Secretary
at Colombo

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Ceylon Government
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