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From

Colonel J. Carpendale R.E.
Commissioner of Issue
of Paper Currency

To.

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George.

Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of Government that a forged Currency Note of the Calicut Circle for ten rupees was found a few days ago in a parcel of Notes sent in by the Madras Bank. The imitation was unusually good - the Note escaped detection by the Shroffs in the Bank - and would certainly pass unchallenged by any ordinary observer. I lost no time in putting the Deputy Commissioners of Circles on their guard - placed the forged Note in the hands of the Inspector General of Police - and suggested to the Accountant General the desirability of cautioning all Treasury Officers to be particular in seeing the water mark in the paper of all Currency Notes that they receive -

2 - It did not appear to me desirable to do anything further in the matter at present, but I am informed that five similar Notes

were

were presented at the Mercantile Bank in Madras on Saturday last, and the President of the Board of direction of the Madras Bank has suggested the expediency of issuing a Notification to the Public, I therefore refer the matter for the orders of Government.

3. If a Notification is considered desirable by Government, the enclosed draft will perhaps be deemed suitable, and in such case, I request authority for inserting it in English and the vernacular languages in several newspapers.

4. The case of the five Notes presented on Saturday is in the hands of the Police.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

J. Johnstone
Commissioner of Issue
of Paper Currency

CC

Encl. to 3 Dec.

Fort St. George Department.

From
The Commissioner of Issue
of Paper Currency
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George.

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Reports that a forged Currency Note of the Calicut Circle for Rs. 10 was found in a parcel of Notes sent in by the Bank of Madras, and states that five similar Notes were presented at the Mercantile Bank - Encloses a draft Notification, and requests authority for inserting it in English and the Vernacular languages in the several Newspapers.

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His Excellency in Council directs that the draft of Notification received with the foregoing letter be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette and that it be also published in the Vernacular languages in English and in the several Newspapers.

To, His Commissioner of Issue of Paper Currency

Examiner of Accounts 3 dated 28/11

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