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No. 152. Read the following letter from the Postmaster-General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 16th January 1873, No. 8322 :—

I have the honour to forward, for the information of the Government, copy of a letter from the Chairman, Chamber of Commerce, Madras, dated 15th January 1873, intimating the adherence of the Chamber to the opinion that the new Post Office at Madras should be built on the site of Abercrombie's Battery on the Beach, and not at the Railway Station at John Pereira's.

From the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, to the Postmaster-General, dated Madras, 15th January 1873.

I have the honour to inform you that the Chamber adhere to their previously-expressed opinions regarding the site for the new General Post Office building. The question has occupied their attention for some years, and they feel satisfied that the course they have so frequently proposed of utilising the site at Abercrombie's Battery in preference to that at John Pereira's is in accordance with their own important requirements, with the reasonable convenience of the Postal Department, and with economy in expenditure on public works. The Chamber have been distinctly led by the Government to expect that, on the surrender of the site allotted to the Bank of Madras in Abercrombie's Battery, no further opposition would be raised by His Excellency the Governor in Council to compliance with the Chamber's request ; and the Director-General of the Post Office has not, so far as the Chamber are aware, shown a desire to act in opposition to the wishes of the local Government in this matter. The Chamber trust that, upon your urgent representation of the desirability of avoiding, as far as possible, further delay in supplying a Central Post Office, worthy alike of the city and the Presidency of Madras, plans and estimates will be prepared forthwith, and funds provided for the commencement, at an early date, of the General Post Office and the Telegraph Office building on the northern part of Abercrombie's Battery.

No. 153. ORDER THEREON, 23rd January 1873, No. 120.
Communicated to the Department of Public Works.
(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.
,, Postmaster-General.
,, Chamber of Commerce.

Exd. J. Wright.

Chamber of Commerce
Madras 15th January 1873.

From

The Honorable A. J. Brown
Chairman, Chamber of Commerce

To

Major the Honorable D. R. Bourke
Postmaster General
Madras.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Chamber adhere to their previously expressed opinions regarding the site for the new General Post office building. The question has occupied their attention for some years, and they feel satisfied that the course they have so frequently proposed of utilizing the site at Abercrombie's Battery in preference to that at John Pereira's is in accordance with their convenient requirements, with the reasonable Convenience of the Postal Department and with economy in expenditure on public works. The Chamber have been distinctly led by the Government to expect that on the surrender of the site allotted to the Bank

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I have &c.

Signed A. J. Brown

Chairman.

/True Copy/

W. Thomas

Postmaster General.

Ex'd J.S.

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POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 16 January 1873

From Major the Honorable E. R. Bourke

Postmaster-General,

Madras

To The Honorable W. Huddleston

Chief Secretary to Government,

Public Department,

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward for the information of the Government Copy of a letter from the Chairman Chamber of Commerce Madras dated 15th January 1873 intimating the adherence of the Chamber to the opinion that the new Post office at Madras should be built on the site of Abercrombie's Battery on the Beach and not at the Railway Station at John Pereira's.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

W. Thomas

Postmaster General.

Ex'd J.S.

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Madras.

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The Chief Secretary to Government,

Public Department,

Fort Saint George.

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