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[Despatch Abstract.]

BOOKS FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Passing orders on despatch from the Secretary of State drawing attention to the contravention of the rules in the distribution from the consultation of copies of the "Selections of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George for 1681" and the "Diary and consultation Book, 1682."

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

## FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

Despatch from the Right Honorable Mr. H. H. FOWLER, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort St. George, dated India Office, London, 11th October 1894, No. 20—Public (Records).

I desire to draw the attention of your Excellency's Government to the fact that, in contravention of Rules II and III laid down in the resolution of the Government of India, Home Department (Books), No. 1-134—152, of the 26th March last, copies of "The Diary and Consultation Book of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George, 1682," have been forwarded to Messrs. Constable & Co. for sale, although no copies of this work have been supplied for use here and no list of the institutions to which it has been distributed has been communicated to this office. Similarly, in the case of the Selections from the Fort St. George Consultations for 1681, issued in the early part of the present year, copies were sent home addressed to various libraries and periodicals, together with five for sale by Messrs. Constable and Co., but this office has not yet received a supply for its own use except one copy for the library.

2. I request that instructions may be issued which will prevent the recurrence of this neglect of the regulations, and that ten copies of each of these works may be sent home at an early date, together with particulars of any arrangement made with Messrs. Constable & Co. as to the terms on which they should account to this office for the copies entrusted to them for sale.

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No. 2202.

Referred to the Superintendent, Government Press.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
10*th November* 1894.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
*Chief Secretary.*

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Office-note from R. HILL, Esq., Superintendent, Government Press, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 20th November 1894, No. 3068.

With reference to endorsement, dated 10th instant, No. 2202, Financial, herewith returned, the Superintendent, Government Press, submits that he prepared in January last the distribution list of copies of Selections from the Consultations of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George, 1681, under Mr. Pringle's instructions, and the copies were distributed by the Press at his request. The list included three copies for the Registrar of Books, Madras (one copy for registration and two copies for the Librarian, India Office, London), and it was thought that these two copies would be sufficient and that they would be forwarded to the India Office at an early date.

2. When the Selections for 1682 were ready for despatch in July last, Mr. Pringle added some names to the list and the distribution was again made from the Press.

3. The Superintendent submits that the distribution of such publications should be undertaken by the Chief Secretariat, as was formerly done, to obviate similar complaints to the one now under reference.

No. 2319.

The Registrar of Books is requested to report when and how the two copies of each of the Selections were forwarded to the India Office.

*23rd November* 1894. (Signed) J. F. PRICE,
*Chief Secretary.*

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From Rao Bahadur V. KRISHNAMA CHARIAR, Registrar of Books, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 27th November 1894, No. 237.

Referring to endorsement, No. 2319, of the 23rd instant, on the accompanying reply of the Superintendent of the Government Press to the complaint from the Secretary of State for India regarding the omission to supply copies of the "Selections from the Consultations of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George for 1681" and the "Diary and Consultation Book" of 1682, I beg to report that the Superintendent of the Government Press did deliver on the 18th January and 3rd August last, respectively, two extra copies of each of these publications, along with the copy presented by him as *Printer*, for registration under Act XXV of 1867, and I have retained them supposing that they were sent to me in anticipation of their being claimed for the Libraries of the India Office and the British Museum under clause (*b*) of section 9 of (the amending) Act X of 1890.

2. But the "Selections" has now been called for by the Librarian of the India Office who marked it in the catalogue for the first quarter of 1894 forwarded to me with G.O., No. 999, dated the 19th ultimo, Financial, and the Trustees of the British Museum have also claimed it by marking it in their copy of the catalogue returned by them direct to this office. The copy of the "Selections" and of the "Diary and Consultation Book" appearing in the catalogue for the third quarter of this year, to be published as a supplement to this evening's Gazette, will be presently forwarded with some other books I have collected for the India Office Library, through the Financial Department of the Secretariat, as directed in G.O., No. 584, of the 27th May 1892.

3. I was not aware till the perusal of Mr. Hill's explanatory letter, herewith returned, that the two extra copies sent by him were both intended for the India Office, London, and that he expected me to do the work of a forwarding agent contrary to G.O., No. 584, of the 27th May 1892, which constituted the Financial Department the forwarding office; nor was there any intimation that early despatch was required in the case of the "Selections" in question. Furthermore, Mr. Hill was evidently not aware of G.O., No. 1019, of the 16th October 1893, distinctly prohibiting the inclusion by me in any consignment of "any books not marked in the catalogue" returned from the India Office from time to time.

4. To avoid such uncertainty and unintentional omissions in future, I beg to submit for consideration whether, according to G.O., No. 584, of the 27th May 1892, it might not be as well to direct by explicit instructions the despatch of *all* official publications intended for the Home Government, not through this office, but through the Financial Department of the Secretariat direct, thus leaving the Registrar of Books to procure and despatch copies of only such registered works as are marked by the Librarian of the India Office in the quarterly catalogues as at present, in accordance with paragraph 3 of G.O., No. 1019, of the 16th October 1893, and the provisions of Act X of 1890.

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No. 2426.

The Superintendent, Government Press, is requested to report whether he is aware of any arrangements having been made with Messrs. Constable & Co. as to the terms on which they should account to the India Office for the copies of the works



entrusted to them for sale referred to in the Secretary of State's despatch, dated 11th October 1894, No. 20.

FORT ST. GEORGE, *6th December* 1894. (Signed) J. F. PRICE, *Chief Secretary.*

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Office-note from R. HILL, Esq., Superintendent, Government Press, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 10th December 1894, No. 3354.

In reply to endorsement, dated 6th December 1894, No. 2426, Financial, herewith returned, the Superintendent, Government Press, submits that Mr. Pringle's work was sent to Messrs. Archibald, Constable & Co. through the India Office according to the instructions given in G.O., dated 7th June 1888, No. 582, Public, the selling price of the work being printed on the cover. No communications are received by the Press regarding the progress of sales of the books sent to the agents in London through the India Office.

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ORDER—dated 16th January 1895, No. 35, Financial.

It is observed that the publications referred to by the Right Honorable the Secretary of State were registered under Act XXV of 1867 by the Superintendent, Government Press, to whom their distribution was left. They were accordingly treated by that officer as registered publications. A copy of each was, however, forwarded to the India Office and to the British Museum at the same time that copies were addressed to certain libraries and periodicals at home.

2. The attention of the Superintendent, Government Press, will be drawn to the remarks in the letter from the Registrar of Books. He will in future, when submitting publications to the Financial Department for transmission to the India Office, invariably forward them under cover of an office note addressed to the Chief Secretary.

3. Messrs. Constable & Co. will be requested to furnish the Secretary of State with an account of the sale of the books.

(True Extract.)

*Ag. Chief Secretary.*

To the Superintendent, Government Press.

Exd. A. Raitt.

# Govt. of {1895} Madras.

## FINANCIAL.

*Issued*

*Recd.* *Encl.*

G.O., 16th January 1895, No. 35.

**JANUARY.**

### Books for the Secretary of State.

Passing orders on despatch from the Secretary of State drawing attention to the contravention of the rules in the distribution of copies of "The Diary and Consultation Book of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George, 1682," and of the "Selections from the Consultations for 1681."



## FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—*to*

THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

RIGHT HONORABLE SIR,

With reference to your despatch, dated 11th October 1894, No. 20, Public (Records), calling our attention to the contravention of Rules II and III of those laid down in the Resolution of the Government of India, Home Department, No. 1-134—152, of 26th March 1894, in the case of the publications referred to in the despatch, we have the honour to explain that these books—which were not printed or published under the orders of Government or for official purposes, though they were compiled with its permission—were registered under Act XXV of 1867 by the Superintendent, Government Press, to whom their distribution was left, and that they were treated by that officer as registered publications. A copy of each was, however, sent to the India Office Library and to the British Museum by the same mails which carried the copies addressed to the various libraries and periodicals in England.

2. As requested in your despatch, ten copies of each of the works in question have been forwarded to the India Office.

3. In reply to the concluding portion of paragraph 2 of your despatch, we beg to state that no arrangements were made with Messrs. Constable & Co., but that five copies of each work, with the price printed on the cover, were forwarded to them through the India Office in accordance with the letter from the Government of India, Home Department, dated 16th May 1888, No. 743. Messrs. Constable & Co. have now been requested to submit to you an account of the sale of these books.

We have the honour to be,
Right Honorable Sir,
Your most obedient, humble servants,

/Signed/ W. Wedderburn
" / W. W. Bliss
" / J. Grose.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
*16 January* 1895.

Exd. A. Raitt.

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*FINANCIAL* (1895) *DEPT.*

**LETTER to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.**

**Dated 16 January,**

**No. 1 of 1895.**

*Replying to despatch drawing attention to the contravention of the rules in the distribution of copies of the "Selections from the Consultations of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George for 1681" and the "Diary and Consultation Book of 1682."*

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 35, FINANCIAL, 16TH JANUARY 1895.

*For Second Assistant, Chief Secretariat.*

Your telephone message of to-day's date. I herewith send a copy of the distribution list of Mr. Pringle's Selections.

GOVERNMENT PRESS, MADRAS,
*3rd November* 1894.

(Signed) T. FISHER,
*Offg. Superintendent.*

ENCLOSURE.

COPY of Distribution List of "Selections from the Consultations of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George, 1681," and "The Diary and Consultation Book of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George, 1682." Edited by Arthur T. Pringle.

| | 1681 Volume. | 1682 Volume. |
|---|---|---|
| *Free in India.* | | |
| The Editor, The "Madras Mail" .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Madras Times" .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Hindu" .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Mahomedan," Madras .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Madras Christian College Magazine" .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Calcutta Review," Calcutta .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Englishman" do. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Statesman" do. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Bombay Gazette," Bombay .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Times of India" do. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Indian Antiquary" do. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Pioneer," Allahabad .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Civil and Military Gazette," Lahore .. | 1 | 1 |
| " The "Ceylon Times," Colombo .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| The Honorary Secretary, Asiatic Society of Bengal, Calcutta .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| The Honorary Secretary, Madras Literary Society .. | 1 | 1 |
| " " Public Library, Ootacamund .. | 1 | 1 |
| Superintendent, Government Central Museum (for Library) | 1 | 1 |
| Registrar of Books, Madras (1 copy for registration and 2 copies for the Librarian, India Office, London) .. | 3 | 3 |
| *Free to Officials.* | | |
| Chief Secretariat .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | 2 |
| Revenue Secretariat .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| Public Works Secretariat .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| Board of Revenue (Land Revenue) .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| *Free at Home.* | | |
| Editor, "Notes and Queries," .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| India Office Library .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| British Museum Library .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| The Secretary, Royal Asiatic Society, London .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| The Librarian, Bodleian Library, Oxford .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| Indian Institute, Oxford .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 |
| Editor, "The Saturday Review," London .. .. | | |
| Library, Cambridge .. .. .. .. | | |
| Edinburgh .. .. .. .. | | |
| ...brary, Dublin .. .. .. .. | | |

*For Sale.*

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| Archibald Constable & Co., Publishers to the India Office, 14, Parliament Street, Westminster, S.W. (through the Secretary of State) | 5 | 5 | |
| Otto Harrassowitz, Bookseller and Library Agent, Leipzig, Germany | 3 | 3 | |
| Mr. Pringle | 16 | 17 * | |
| Government Press | 40 | 39 | |
| Total | 100 | 100 | |

* *Private copies sent "with the Editor's compliments" (at his own cost).*

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| Mr. A. G. Cardew, C.S., Inspector-General of Jails, Ootacamund | 1 |
| " G. W. Forrest, Secretary under the Inventions and Designs Act, Calcutta | 1 |
| " H. A. Stuart, C.S., District and Sessions Judge, Bellary | 1 |
| " A. Butterworth, C.S., Secretary to Council of Fort St. George | 1 |
| The Hon'ble Mr. J. Grose, C.S., Member of Council | 1 |
| " " J. F. Price, C.S.I., Chief Secretary to Government | 1 |
| " " H. W. Bliss, C.I.E., Member of Council | 1 |
| Mr. R. Sewell, C.S., the East India United Service Club, London | 1 |
| Sir Henry Stokes, K.C.S.I., through India Office | 1 |
| Mr. J. H. Garstin, C.S.I. do. | 1 |
| " W. Foster, India Office | 3 |
| " C. G. Master, Earlsridge, Woodlands Road, Red Hill, Surrey | 1 |
| His Excellency Lord Wenlock, through the Private Secretary | 1 |
| M.R.Ry. Pandit Nateu Sastriyar, Local and Municipal Department, Chief secretariat | 1 |
| Mr. A. F. Pringle, Villa Fenaxa, Cutigliano, Italy | 1 |
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*For Chief Secretary.*

I have spoken to Mr. Hill about this. Mr. Pringle arranged the distribution. The Home Despatcher might have prevented the violation of the rules in G.O., No. 302, dated 12th April 1894, but the mistake has occurred through the Press distributing in the first instance. Mr. Pringle's books are *registered* publications and so are not altogether official, and on this score the distribution can be defended.

The question of the transmission of books is even now not on a thoroughly satisfactory footing. I have talked the matter over with Mr. Hill and hope to draw up more definite rules than exist at present. There are several points which have arisen in the practical working of the present system which require amendment.

(Intld.) C. S[CHMIDT].
9–11–94.

Seen. (Intld.) J. F. P[RICE].
9–11–94.

*Home Despatcher.*

(1) How is it that you did not bring to notice the fact that copies of the "Selections" were being sent direct to certain addressees in contravention of the instructions in G.O., No. 302, Financial, dated 12th April 1894?

(2) Did the copies for Constable go direct to them or through the India Office? If the former, why was G.O., No. 582, Public, dated 7th June 1888, contravened?

(Intld.) C. S[CHMIDT].
14–12–94.

*For Second Assistant, Chief Secretariat.*

(1) As the books came packed and addressed to different parties by the Superintendent, Government Press, together with one for the India Office, with a note to the Head Clerk, requesting that they may be forwarded, I assumed that the Superintendent was acting under proper orders and despatched them accordingly. I have never questioned the authority of the Superintendent, Government Press (or the Librarian too) but despatch the books given me to the addressees.

(2) The copies to Messrs. Constable & Co. went through the India Office.

(Intld.) M. P...



*Assistant, Chief Secretariat, from the Superintendent, Government Press.*

[*Telephonic message*, 18–12–94.]

ur telephone of yesterday. We had two reasons for registering Mr. Pringle's
is: first, they are publications of general interest and useful as books of
e and saleable to the public and as such are subject to registration under Act
f 1867; secondly, Mr. Pringle approved of his Selections being registered.

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*Note circulated with draft Order.*

The Superintendent, Government Press, appears justified in having had Mr. Pringle's Selections registered under Act XXV of 1867. They do not fall among the publications exempted from registration referred to in paragraph 3 of Government of India letter, dated 31st August 1883 (G.O., Nos. 1958–59, dated 5th October 1883). They cannot be said to have

or the conditions, under which Mr. Pringle took up the editing, please see G.O., Mis. No. 105, Public, dated 13th February 1890.

ited * or published under orders of Government or for official purposes, compiled with its permission. The regulations referred to by the Secretary do not therefore apply to them.

regards the transmission of publications to England, please see G.O., No. 584, 7th May 1892 (in the printed file), and the attached précis. Paragraph 2 of ft order will prevent any misunderstandings in future. There is a danger of es being made if the Press merely sends books into the office ready packed for tch.

(Intld.) C. S[CHMIDT]. (Intld.) J. F. P[RICE].
19–12–94.

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I understand they were printed and published at the expense of Government. If , they can hardly be said not to have been printed and published under the orders of overnment.

(Intld.) H. W. B[LISS].
20–2–94.

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reference to the Hon'ble Member's note, dated the 20th instant, it appears from Mr. Pringle's notes in G.O., No. 105, dated 13th February 1890, that the wo... was to be done † entirely out of ...ce hours. There were no copying charges or expenses in connection with stationery—Government paper not having been used—in the case of the first Selections, printing charges only having been sanctioned. Then Mr. Pringle asked for a little more assistance in the case of future volumes. He anticipated that the printing charges would be a little higher and that there would be copying charges as he had not the time to copy the manuscripts himself. Under the circumstances it is submitted that the work may be regarded as a private undertaking *patronized* by Government to the extent of its bearing the cost of publication, and as such one which the Superintendent, Government Press, as printer, was justified in registering under the Act.

Mr. Pringle certainly worked only out of office hours.

(Intld.) J. F. P[RICE]

(Intld.) C. S[CHMIDT].
21–12–94.

(Intld.) J. F. P[RICE].
22–12–94.

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Very well. It doesn't much matter. Let the order and despatch issue.

(Intld.) H. W. B[LISS].
7–1–95.

NOTE FOR Second Assistant
Chief Secretariat

Your telephone message of today's date. I herewith send a copy of the distribution list of Mr Pringle's Selections.

O. Fischer
Offg. Superintendent.

Govt. Press,
Madras. 3-11-94.

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Copy of Distribution List of Selections from the Consultations of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort Saint George 1681," and "The Diary and Consultation Book of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort Saint George, 1682." Edited by Arthur J. Pringle.

| | 1681 Vol. | |
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| Free in India | | |
| The Editor, The Madras Mail | 1 | |
| " The Madras Times | 1 | |
| " The Hindu | 1 | |
| " The Mahomedan, Madras | 1 | |
| " The Madras Christian College Magazine | 1 | |
| " The Calcutta Review, Calcutta | 1 | |
| " The Englishman, " | 1 | |
| " The Statesman, " | 1 | |
| " The Bombay Gazette, Bombay | 1 | |
| " The Times of India " | 1 | |
| " The Indian Antiquary " | 1 | |
| " The Pioneer, Allahabad | 1 | |
| " The Civil and Military Gazette, Lahore | 1 | |
| " The Ceylon Times, Colombo | 1 | |
| The Honorary Secy., Asiatic Society of Bengal, Calcutta | 1 | |
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| do Public Library, Cotacamund | 1 | |
| Superintendent, Govt. Central Museum (for library) | 1 | |
| Registrar of Books, Madras (1 copy for registration and 2 copies for the Librarian, India Office, London | 3 | |
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| Public Works Secretariat | | |
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| Editor, "Notes and Queries" | 1 | 1 |
| India Office Library | 1 | 1 |
| British Museum Library | 1 | 1 |
| The Secretary, Royal Asiatic Society, London | 1 | 1 |
| The Librarian, Bodleian Library, Oxford | 1 | 1 |
| Indian Institute, Oxford | 1 | 1 |
| Editor, "The Saturday Review", London | 1 | 1 |
| University Library, Cambridge | 1 | 1 |
| ——— do ——— Edinburgh | 1 | 1 |
| Trinity College Library, Dublin | 1 | 1 |
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| ——— do ——— Mr. J.H. Price C.S.I., Chief Secy to Govt | 1 |
| ——— do ——— " A.W. Bliss, C.I.E., Member of Council | 1 |
| Mr. R. Sewell, C.S., The East Indian United Service Club, London | 1 |
| Sir Henry Stokes, C.S.I. } Through India Office | 1 |
| Mr. J.H. Garstin, C.S.I. } | 1 |
| " W. Foster, India Office | 1 |
| " C.G. Master, Earlsridge, Woodlands Road, Red Hill, Surrey | 1 |
| The Hon. Lord Wenlock, through the Private Secy. | 1 |
| M.R. Ry Pandit Natesa Sastriyar, Local & Municipal Dept | 1 |
| Mr. A.J. Pringle, Villa Fenara, Cetigliano, Italy, Chief Secty. | 3 |
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Govt Press, Madras, 3rd Novr 1682

G. Pricket
Offg Supt.

Home Despatches

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From (Person) Keeper Prints &c.

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Telegraph Master.

C. G. P.—No. 381 T.—22-5-98—20,000.

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INDIA OFFICE,

LONDON. 11th OCTOBER 1894.

PUBLIC (RECORDS),

No. 20.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL FORT ST. GEORGE.

My Lord,

I desire to draw the attention of Your Excellency's Government to the fact that, in contravention of Rules II and III laid down in the resolution of the Government of India, Home Department, (Books), No. 1:134-152, of the 26th March last, copies of "The Diary and Consultation Book of the Agent, Governor and Council of Fort St. George, 1682," have been forwarded to Messrs. Constable and Company for sale, although no copies of this work have been supplied for use here, and no list of the institutions to which it has been distributed, has been communicated to this Office. Similarly, in the case of the Selections from the Fort St. George Consultations for 1681, issued in the early part of the present year, copies were sent home addressed to various libraries and periodicals, together with

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I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient humble Servant,

Alexander Forbes

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11th October 1894

The Letter to Fort St George

No 20

No 1129

Dated 11th Oct. 94
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Endt No 2202 dt 10 November 94

Referred to the Superintendent, Government Press.

Fort St George
10. November 1894

Chief Secretary

Subject.

Requesting that instructions may be issued to prevent the recurrence of neglect of its regulations and that 10 copies of "The Diary and Consultation Book of the Agent, Governor and Council of Fort St George, 1682" and the selections from the Fort St George consultations for 1681, may be sent home at an early date.

Rd 2-11-94

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To (Person) Hee Second Asst Chf Sec

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10 copies of each of the two selections published by Mr Bruce are available. A distribution list will be sent today -

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G.O. 13/2/90 Revds Andrew
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From

THE SUPERINTENDENT,

GOVERNMENT PRESS,

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

*Madras.*

No 3068.

Dated 20th
Received 20th
Regd 21st

November 1894.

ENCLOSURE. Fmk C. no 2922 regd

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS CHIEF SECRETARY 20 NOV 1894

*Subject.*

Submitting reply to the complaint made by the Secretary of State regarding the distribution of copies of Selections of the Agent Governor at Fort St. George, 1681 & 1682.

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No. 2319 dy 23rd November 94

The Registrar of Books is requested to report whether the two copies of each of the Selections were forwarded to the India Office

[signature]
Chief Secretary

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TO BE RETURNED WITH REPLY

Rec'd 2-11-94

No. 306

Government Press,
Mint Buildings, Madras,
20th January 1894.

OFFICE NOTE.

With reference to Endorsement
dated 10th instant, No. 2202, Financial
herewith returned, the Superintendent
Government Press, submits that
he prepared in January last
the distribution-list of copies of
Selections from the Consultations
of the Agent Governor and Council
of Fort St. George, 1681, under
Mr. Pringle's instructions, and
the copies were distributed by
the Press at his request. The
list included 3 copies for the
Registrar of Books, Madras (1 copy
for registration, and 2 copies
for the Librarian, India Office
London) and it was thought
that these 2 copies would be
sufficient, and that they
would be forwarded to the
India office at an early date

Acct. No. a 46.
100—6-2-94.

2. When the Selections for 1682 were ready for despatch in July last, Mr. Single added some names to the list, and the distribution was again made from the Press.

3. The Superintendent submits that the distribution of such publications should be undertaken by the Chief Secretariat, as was formerly done, to obviate similar complaints to the one now under reference.

R. Hill
Superintendent.

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government.

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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR OF BOOKS,

Madras, 27th November 1894.

No. 237

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From

RAO BAHADUR V. KRISHNAMA CHARIAR,
REGISTRAR OF BOOKS,
*Madras,*

To

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

Honble SIR,

Referring to Endorsement No. 2319 of the 23rd Instant on the accompanying reply of the Superintendent of the Government Press to the complaint from the Secretary of State for India, regarding the omission to supply copies of the "Selections from the Consultations of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St. George for 1681" and the "Diary and Consultation Book" of 1682, I beg to report that the Superintendent of the Government Press did deliver on the 18th January and 3rd August last respectively, 2 Extra copies of each of these publications along with the copy presented by him, as Printer, for registration under Act ~~XXV~~ of 1867, and I have retained them supposing that they were sent to me in anticipation of their being claimed for the Libraries of the India office and the British Museum under clause 4 of Section 9 of (the Amending) Act X of 1890

2. But the "Selections" has now been called for by the Librarian of the India office who marked it

it in the catalogue for the first quarter of 1894 forwarded to me with G. O. No. 999 dated the 19th ultimo, Financial, and the Trustees of the British Museum have also claimed it by marking it in their copy of the catalogue returned by them direct to this office - The Copy of the "Selections" and of the "Diary and Consultation Book" appearing in the Catalogue for the 3rd quarter of this year to be published as a Supplement to this evening's Gazette, will be presently forwarded with some other books I have collected for the India Office Library, through the Financial Department of the Secretariat as directed in G. O. No. 584 of the 27th May 1892.

3 I was not aware till the perusal of Mr. Hill's explanatory letter herewith returned that the two extra copies sent by him were both intended for the India Office, London, and that he expected me to do the work of a forwarding agent contrary to G. O. No. 584 of the 27th May 1892 which constituted the Financial Department the forwarding Office; nor was there any intimation that early despatch was required in the case of the "Selections" in question - Furthermore, Mr. Hill was evidently not aware of G. O. No. 1019 of the 16th October 1893, distinctly prohibiting the inclusion by me in any consign-ment of "any books not marked in the Catalogue" returned from the India Office from time to time -

4 To avoid such uncertainty and unintentional omissions in future, I beg to submit for consideration whether, according to G. O. No. 584 of the 27th May 1892, it might not be as well to direct by explicit instructions the despatch of all official publications intended for the Home Government, not through this office, but through the Financial Department of the Secretariat direct, thus leaving the Registrar of Books to procure and despatch copies of only such registered works as are marked by the Librarian of the India Office in the quarterly catalogues as at present, in accordance with para 3 of G. O. No. 1019 of the 16th October 1893, and the provisions of Act X of 1890.

I have the honor to be,
Hon'ble Sir,
Your most Obedt. Servt.
V. Krishnama Chariar
Registrar of Books

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DEPARTMENT NO. 3136

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fo 584 : 27-5-92 Fin.l
fo 777 : 19-10-94 Fin.l
fo 1019 : 16-10-53 Fin.l

From

THE REGISTRAR OF BOOKS,

*Madras,*

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Financial Department
Madras

No. 237

Dated 27th November 1894.
Received 27th
Repd 28th

Endt No. 2426 dy 6-12-1894

The Superintt. Govt Press,
is requested to report whether
he is aware of any arrangements
having been made with Messrs
Constable & Co as to the terms
on which they should account
to the India office for the
copies of the works entrusted
to them for sale referred to
in the Secretary of State's despatch
dy 11 Octr 1894, No. 20.

R. Knox
Chief Secretary

CHIEF SECRETARY'S
27 ENCLOSURES.
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Fin.l. c. 205.
2922 + 3063 rep.

Regarding the despatch
to the India Office of Copies
of Selections of the Agent Governor
of Fort St. George for 1681 & 1682.

Please contract
Acct No 1894

No. 3354

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Government Press,
MINT BUILDINGS, MADRAS,
10th December 1894.

OFFICE NOTE.

In reply to Endorsement dated
6th December 1894, No. 2426 Financial
herewith returned, the Superintendent
Govt. Press, submits that the Pringle
work was sent to Messrs Archibald
Constable &c. through the India
Office, according to the instructions
given in G.O. dated 7th June 1888
No. 582 Public, the selling price
of the work being printed on the
cover. No communications are
received by the Press regarding
the progress of sales of the books
sent to the Agents in London,
through the India office.

R. Hill
Superintendent.

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Acct. No. 46.
2—6-2-94.

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Fin. C nos 2922, 3063, 3136 rec'd.

From

THE SUPERINTENDENT,

GOVERNMENT PRESS,

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

*Madras.*

Dated 10th
Received 10th } December 1894.
Recd 11th

ENCLOSURE.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

No 3354

*Subject.*

Submitting that Mr. Pringle's work was sent to Messrs. Archibald Constable & Co. through the India office according to the instructions given in G.O. dated 7th June 1889 No. 582 Public.

Financial Dept

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Note

Mr. Pringle certainly worked very out of Office hours.

With reference to the Hon'ble red ink note dated the 20th instant, it appears from Mr. Pringle's notes in P.O. of 13 Feby 1895, No 105, that the work was to be done entirely out of office hours. There were no copying charges or expenses in connection with stationery — Govt paper not having been used — in the case of the first selections, printing charges only having been sanctioned. Then Mr. Pringle asked for a little more assistance in the case of future volumes. He anticipated that the printing charges would be a little high and that there would be copying charges as he had not the

time to copy the mss himself. Under the circumstances it is submitted that the work may be regarded ~~as~~ as ~~of~~ a private undertaking patronized by Govt to the extent of its bearing the cost of publication, and as such one which the Supdt. Govt Press, as printer, was justified in ~~last week~~ registering under the Act.

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22/12/94

Vergwella — Mr Dewsnip
much matter. Let the
D.O. of despatch issue

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7/1/95

Now may be acceptable

Note for Mr Dewsnip

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7/1/95

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Financial DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings: —

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| Again G. O., dated | | 189 , No. | |
| Again G. O., dated | | 189 , No. | |
| Current No. | 2922 | of 1894, dated 11th Octr | from the Secy of State for India |
| " | 3063 | " " 20th Novr | the Supdt. Govt Press |
| " | 3136 | " " 27th " | the Regr of Books |
| Current No. | 3279 | of 1894, dated 10th Decr | from the Supdt. Govt Press |

ORDER. 16 Jany 1895 no 35

It is observed that the publications referred to by the Rt. Hon'ble the Secretary of State for India were registered under Act XIX of 1867 by the Supdt. Govt Press to whom their distribution was left. They were accordingly treated by that officer as registered publications. A copy of each was however forwarded to the India office and to the British Museum at the same time that copies were addressed to certain libraries & periodicals at home.

The attention of the Supdt. Govt Press is drawn to the restriction in the Secy of State's letter in future, when submitting publications to the Financial Dept for transmission to the India office, invariably forward them under cover of an office note addressed to the Chief Secretary.

3. Messrs Constable & Co

Note

The Supdt Govt Press appears gratified in having had Mr Pringle's Selections registered under Act XIX of 1867. They do not fall among the publications exempted from registration referred to in para: 3 of Gt. I. letter dd 25th August 1883 (Gt. dd 25 Octr 1883, No. 1950/99). They cannot be said to have been printed or published under the orders of Govt or for official purposes, although he complied with its permission. The regulations referred to by the Secy of State do not therefore apply to them.

+ For the conditions under which Mr. Pringle's work was registered see G.O. 9/13.2.90, No. 105 Public (Educ.) the existing

As regards the transmission of [illegible] D.P. to

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ll be requested to furnish
the Secretary of State with an
account of the sale of the books.

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To The Supdt, Govt Press 3 drafts 30/1/95

dated 9-1-95

Letter No 1

To The Rt Hon: the Secy
of State for India

Rt Hon: Sir,

With reference to
your despatch dated 11th Octr
1894, No 20 Public (Records)
calling our attention to the contraven-
tion of Rules II & III of those
Rules laid down in the resolution
of the Govt of India, Home
Dept, No 1. 1310-152 of 26th
March 1894, in the case of
the publications referred to
in the despatch, we have the
honor to explain that these books
were registered under Act XXV
of 1867 by the Supdt Govt
Press to whom their distribution
was left, and that they were treated
by that officer as registered
publications. A copy of each
however was sent to the India
office Library by the same
mails which carried the copies
addressed to the various libraries
& presidents in England

publications in England please
see G.O. of 27. May 1892 No. 584
[in the printed file] & the attached
precis. Para 2 of the draft order
will prevent any misunderstanding
in future. There is a danger of
mistakes being made if the Press
merely sends books with the office
ready packed for despatch.

CB.

which were not printed or published
under orders of Govt or for official
purposes, though they were compiled
with its permission,

and to the British Museum

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2. As requested in your
despatch ~~under reply~~ ten copies
of each of the works in question
have been
~~were~~ forwarded to the India
office ~~by the 15th inst~~.

3. In reply to the concluding
portion of para 2 of your des-
patch we beg ~~have the honour~~ to state
that no arrangements were made
with Messrs Constable & Co, but
that five copies of each work,
with the price printed on the
cover, were forwarded to them
through the India office in
accordance with the letter from
the Govt of India, Home Dept,
No 16 May 1888, No 743. Messrs
Constable & Co have now been
requested to submit to you
an account of the sale of these
books.

CB
19.12.

19/12/94

Fort St George
16 Jany 1895

Copy Despatch sent to
Govt of India - 18/1/95

Memo

Memo 87
17-1-95

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Messrs Constable & Co are requested to be so good as to forward to the Rt Honble the Secretary of State for India an account of the sale of the books noted below, five copies of each of which were forwarded to them for sale through the India office:-

"Selections from the Consultations of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St George, 1681." edited by Arthur T. Pringle

"The Diary and Consultation Book of the Agent Governor and Council of Fort St George, 1682," edited by Arthur T. Pringle

HS
19/12/95.

C.S.
19.12.

To
Messrs Constable & Co
London.

Dated 17/1/95

First copy sent to Press.

Returned for signature.

Despatched in print.

Home Accts G.O. No. 189 Dated

Current No.

Enclosures to C. No.

Number of copies required: Order complete. Letter only. Order complete with Letter.

Print in full.
Not to be printed.
Print abstract only.
Print heading only.