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THE MADRAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,

Madras, 9 March 1887.

FROM

*The Honble S.R. Turnbull*

CHAIRMAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
MADRAS.

TO

*The Chief Secretary to Government,  
Fort Saint George.*

*Sir,*

I have the honor by desire of the Chamber to request you to solicit the sanction of the Government to the notification in the Gazette, as Public Holidays, under the Negotiable Instruments Act, of the following Commercial Holidays which have been fixed upon by the Chamber for the current year:-

- 3 Easter: Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup> to Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> April, both days inclusive.
- 1 Queen's Birthday: Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> May.
- 2 Whit Sunday: Monday and Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May.
- 1 Deepavali: Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> October.

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1 Prince of Wales' Birthday: Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> September.  
& Christmas: Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> December 1887  
(24. 27-31) to Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1888, both days  
inclusive.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> servant,

M. J. M. M.  
Chambers.

Requesting sanction of Govt  
for the <sup>British</sup> ~~un~~ <sup>dissemination</sup> Public  
Holidays.

please see clause xv of the  
draft agreement attached  
to J.O. 27 Sep. 86. no. 985. Final.  
also para 3 of Sudias letter  
sent in J.O. 4th 1886. no. 1034.

and the Banks' letters had  
in C.O. 23 Oct '86. No. 1092. a  
list of the holidays suggested  
by them is appended. They  
are in excess of what has  
been printed by the two  
Notifies published in the  
Forth St. Jps. Jps. of the 11<sup>th</sup> &  
25<sup>th</sup> January 1887 - a revised  
Notify. it is submitted has  
better be used.

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### Note for Chief Secy.

With reference to the above  
it is suggested that a revised  
Notify shd. be issued under the  
Negotiable Instruments Act.  
Mr Crombie might be asked  
to submit a list of recog-  
nised mercantile holidays.

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I think so, but the list is not  
in the right order. The list  
must be revised & corrected.

TWO. DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 1124

### The Chamber of Commerce

Dated 9<sup>th</sup> Mar. 1887.

Please see also C.O. dated  
23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 1886, No. 1092.

#### FOR ORDERS.

The Chairman, Chamber of  
Commerce requests Govt to  
notify as holidays under the  
negotiable Instruments Act  
certain Xian and 1 native  
(Hindu) holiday.

A Notify was published in  
the Gazette of Tanq. 11<sup>th</sup> 1887,  
notifying the following holidays

Thursday, Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> Pongul.

Monday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> Dasara

Monday, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> [Boxing day]

Sundays, Good Friday, Xmas Day  
& New Year's Day are public  
holidays under the Act.

Subsequently (Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>) the  
two Jubilee Days were also  
notified.

The Chamber now pro-  
pose 14 additional holidays  
in this year. These are

Easter.

Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday " 9<sup>th</sup>  
Monday " 11<sup>th</sup>

Queen's Birthday — Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>  
Whitsuntide

Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>

Deepavali

Saturday: 15<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Prince of Wales' Birthday

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Christmas

24<sup>th</sup> Dec. & 27<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>

The holidays granted in Bengal & Bombay will be found in G.O. 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 1886, No. 1092 Finl. They number 20 days in Bombay & 26 days in Bengal. Including the Jubilee Days which are exceptional, the no. of Madras holidays wd., if the Chamber's recommendations were accepted, amount to 17 days. They give no holidays at Whitsuntide or on the Prince of Wales' B. Day in either of the other Presidencies. It is thought that these might be cut out & some more native holidays put in: e.g. the Mohurram the Baker Sed. & Native New Year's days. Native merchants might be consulted.

FOR ORDERS.

The list may be sanctioned & not published. But I believe that the Prince of Wales' Birthday is not a public holiday & only pass it as a private holiday. I said so for the S. Can. Cant. I am sure for Whitsuntide may also have been struck out next year, but coming in the very hottest weather they will doubtless be acceptable to every one.

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R.24/3

I submit that the Chamber's list may be accepted. There is still a margin of 10 days. Then in place of the 10 days of leave days, as compared with the Bombay & Calcutta lists, I am sure, if the natives make any demand, further holidays may be granted. Perhaps a few leading native merchants might be consulted.

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Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

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Current No. of 188 , dated from

Current No. 1124 of 1887, dated 9<sup>th</sup> March from the Chamber of Commerce, Madras

G.O. 26 March 187-662

Ordered that the following notification be issued.—

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Notification.

Under section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881, and in continuation of the Notifications published at page 5 of the Fort St. George Gazette dated 11<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1887, The Right Honble the Governor in Council hereby declares the following days to be public holidays for the year 1887:—

Easter — Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup>, to Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> April, both days inclusive

Queen's Birthday — Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> May  
Whitsuntide — Monday and Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May

Deepavali — Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> October

Prince of Wales' Birthday — Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> November

Christmas — Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> December

Thurs. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>

Thurs. Nov. 9

The 24<sup>th</sup> December 1887  
to Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup> December  
1887, both days inclu-  
sive.

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To Chairman Chamber of  
Commerce

Copy to Secy. & Treasurer  
Bank of Madras

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## SUBJECT.

*Public Holidays under  
the Negotiable Instruments  
Act*

For

READ AGAIN ORDER OF GOVERNMENT, dated  
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*Public Holidays under  
The Negotiable Instru-  
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