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Marine (1896) Department.

G.O., No. 688 *mar*

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Address: Letter to the Govt of India requesting that
the State Code — of the Secretary to the Govt of Madras
in the Marine Department may be declared
to be "Madras Marine."

Machine Department.

The Secretary to the
Government of India,

Marine Department.

618 Marine, Marine Department.
Sept. 10. September, 1896.
Sir,

I am directed to request that an abbreviated state Code address may be prescribed for the Secretary to the Government of Madras in the Marine Department.

3/9/96

At present there is no such address,

His is only the telegraph people
who are woolgathering - For
several weeks past the P.O. has
been advertising among the undeli-
vered letters are addressed to
the Sec. of Just. Inquire Dept, the
name given being "addresser not
known" or something equally
idiotic - Write Sogeth

and the Telegraph officials are with-
out guidance when one is irregularly
adopted, as in a recent case where a
telegram from Galle was sent to

Diadras addressed "Inarine". The telegraph officials were at a loss as to the correct delivery. The message

arrived on the evening of the 28th August and it was not till the morning of the 29th, at about 9 o'clock, that it was delivered at the Secretariat.

The message ~~is~~ was a most important one, requesting that all vessels rounding the coast of Ceylon from Madras should be warned that a buoy marking a certain reef had been washed away.

Write to
Sachin as
7 Sep 96

Issue the present letters
7/2/9

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2. I am to suggest that the state code address of the Secretary to this Government in the Marine Department may be declared to "Madras Marine".

2/4/86

M.

R.S.

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matters were formerly addressed to the Chief Secy, who has his own Code designation.

The Pres. Port Officer also apparently has no code designation. We have "Port Off." for Port Officer, who is only a local Officer.

The Secy. might be "Madras Marine", & the Pres. Port Officer, "Supt Marine" in view of his contemplated change of official designation.

I make these suggestions because on Friday evening last a message was received at the Telegraph Office from Galle, addressed to "Marine" Madras, requesting that notice might be given to all vessels rounding Ceylon from Madras

Chw.

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Now that the Marine Dept has been transferred to the P.O. Secy, might I suggest that the Govt. of India be asked to notify a telegraphic Code designation for the Secy, & also for the Presiding Port Officer, who will probably be hereafter designated Superintendent of Marine.

According to the list in the Telegraph Guide, "Marine" means Secy to the Govt. of India Marine Dept, & we have "Marine Sect" & "Marine West" for the Director of Works, but there is no Code designation for the Secy to the Govt. of India Marine Dept, probably because all telegrams for Govt. & about Marine

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that a buoy marking a certain reef had been washed away.

The telegraphic people did not know to whom to deliver the message, until some one (the Port Master I believe) suggested that it should be sent to me. It was brought to me (the code addressed to me by name) at near 9 o'clock on Saturday morning. I saw at once that the message was intended for the Pres. Port Officer, & I at once drove to the beach, & handed it over personally to Capt Street. Much time was thus lost by the uncertainty of the

R.S.

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31-8-96

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