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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
22nd February 1861.*

No. 332. Read the following letter from W. BALMAIN, Esq., Superintendent of Stamps,
to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 5th February 1861,
No. 605.

SIR,

As required by the Proceedings of Government No. 18 of January 5th, I have the honor to state, that there are no appliances for impressing the coloured Stamps used for wrappers in England. A simple uncoloured Stamp of the requisite value could of course be impressed on paper sent in by the proprietors of newspapers, and Stamps with the name of each newspaper could be prepared at the Mint. It may be doubted however whether an uncoloured Stamp would suit as in case of being rubbed or dirtied in the post there might be difficulty in distinguishing the value.

Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

No. 333. From J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, to W. GREY, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, in the Home Department, dated 22nd February 1861, No. 423.

SIR,

1. In reply to your letter of the 4th December last, No. 2,712, respecting the means available here for stamping paper for newspapers or for supplying stamped wrappers, I am directed to forward a copy of a letter from the Superintendent of Stamps, *Dated 5th February, No. 605.* stating that he has no appliances for impressing coloured stamps, and giving his opinion that uncoloured stamps would be unsuitable.

2. I take this opportunity to mention that the letter from your Office, dated 27th November 1860, No. 2,681, will be replied to as soon as all the Newspaper Proprietors shall have replied to the call made to them on the subject.

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W. Grey Esq

Secy to the Govt of India

in the Home Dept

Rev. Dept

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