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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 18*th March* 1862.

No. 322. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th March 1862, No. 1,506.

Read the following letter from W. BALMAIN, Esq., Superintendent of Stamps, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated 3rd March 1862, No. 964:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to request information as to whether the water-marked paper from England for Stamps is likely to arrive next month so as to come into use for the issue of the new year beginning May 1862.

2. The estimated number of rolls to be issued in 1861-62 was 30,00,000, and the cost was entered at Rupees 20,000. Up to the end of February 1862, being ten months of the year, the issues inclusive of cadjans amounted to 34,35,000, or at the rate of 41,22,000 a year. The increase is to be attributed I think to a great extent to the extra demand created by the limitation Acts, and I do not anticipate that in the next year so large a quantity of Stamps will be required.

3. The Districts are very fully supplied; there are but one or two Indents on hand and the paper in store and to be purchased with the remaining portion of the 20,000 Rupees will suffice for the present month. If however no part of the water-marked paper is expected from England in April it will be necessary to arrange for a supply of paper in the local markets to be issued in 1862-63, and charged against the Rupees 50,000 entered in the Budget for 1862-63. The very large demand for European foolscap paper required for the Stamp Office has affected materially the price in the Madras market, and it can only now be purchased 20 to 25 per cent. dearer than in the beginning of 1861. I anticipate that this will be still more the case if the next year's supply is obtained in the same way, though of course it will still cost much below the estimated charge for the water-marked paper.

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1. Ordered to be submitted to Government, with reference to their Proceedings dated 19th November 1861, No. 2,181, Revenue Department.

2. The Board are not aware when the Indent was despatched to the Home Government, or whether any reply has been received from England.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 323. ORDER THEREON, 18th March 1862, No. 612.

Recorded, with reference to the Order of Government of this day's date, No. 611.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

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the same way- though of course it will still cost much below the estimated charge for the watermarked paper.-

Fort St. George —
General Stamp Office
5th March 1862. —

I have &c.
/signed/ W. Balmain
Supdt of Stamps.

Ordered to be submitted to Government with reference to their Proceedings dated 19th November 1861 No. 2181 Revenue Department.-

The Board are not aware when the Indent was despatched to the Home Government, or whether any reply has been received from England.—

/ A true Copy and Exctract /

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Secretary

To
J. P. Sim Esq.
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

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/ D. H. Venkataraw.

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N. 653.

Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 6th
Desp 7th } March 1862
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N° 1506.

Submitting a letter from the Supt. of Stamps requesting information as to whether the water marked paper from England for Stamps is likely to arrive in April next.-

N°612. 18th March 1862

Let an order

N. 612.

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of this day
Dated Instant N° 611

13/3/62

From Govt
18th March 1862
Copy to the Bd of Rev. Dispy
Then in the Letter Book Dec.
28th July 1862