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No. 344. Read the following letter from A. C. LYALL, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, 17th February 1874 :—

In order to obviate the inconvenience which sometimes arises from the circulation among the general public of annual administration reports, whether general or departmental, before they have been seen by the Government of India, it is proposed to lay down a rule postponing the issue to unofficial persons of such reports for the period of one month from the date of their despatch to the Government of India. At present it not unfrequently happens that reports are received by newspapers sometime before they reach the Government of India; and it would seem that, in some provinces, the despatch of such papers to the Government of India is not even simultaneous with their issue to the public.

2. I have been directed to ascertain whether His Excellency the Governor in Council sees any impediment to the proposed rule. It would not of course affect the time of sending those copies of the reports which are supplied to the Secretary of State according to his orders.

From the Honourable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, to A. C. LYALL, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Madras, 24th February 1874.

In reply to your letter of the 17th instant, I am directed to state that this Government see no objection to the postponement of distribution of annual administration reports to the general public till one month after they have been sent to the Government of India.

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(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

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Calcutta }
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