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Passing orders with reference to the question of the grant of holidays to the employees of the Govt Pwp, and Calling for certain information in connection therewith.

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8. The Superintendent will submit a statement showing the men who work for abnormally long hours in the Press, and the details of overtime fees paid to the establishment for the year 1894. The difference between permanent pensionable hands and piece workers should be clearly shown. It is understood that the latter take holidays of their own accord. There can be no hardship in their working long hours as they are paid for the actual work they do. The Government is principally concerned with the permanent staff of the Press, the exact hours they are called on to work without any overtime allowance and the amount of such allowance earned by each man during last year and these should be distinctly stated.

/True Extract/

C. G. Tothumbe
Ag. Assistant Secretary,
for Chief Secretary.

13.1.95.

To

The Superintendent Government Press.

.. Revenue Department.

.. Public Works Department. *with reference to para 2 S*

.. Board of Revenue.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

 Read the following papers:-

- From the Superintendent, Government Press, d/ 28th November 1894 No. 8
- From the Secretary, Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, d/ 29th December 1894.
- From Messrs. Vest & Co. d/ 31st December 1894.
- From the Secretary, Lawrence Asylum Press, d/ 31st December 1894 No. 3
- From Messrs. Addison & Co. d/ 5th January 1895.
- From Messrs. Higginbotham & Co. d/ 11th January 1895.
- From the Superintendent, Government Press, d/ 1st February 1895 No. 3982
- From Messrs. Vest & Co. d/ 20th February 1895.

Order d/ 7th May 1895 No. 349.

The papers read above show that in the three the large private printing presses in Madras the employees get 5 1/2 6 and 7 days clear holidays in the year exclusive of Sundays, whereas apparently the Government Press is never completely closed excepting on the Queens Birthday. The system of half and third turns, which is explained by the Superintendent to mean that none of the men employed in the Press get a full holiday, is not a satisfactory one. It seems to the Government impossible for men to work willingly and well under such circumstances. The Superintendent will state how many additional hands he would require to ensure six whole days leave to each member of the permanent establishment in each year and to enable him to keep pace with the work of the Press.

2. The Government considers that work should not be carried on on Sundays unless for some very urgent and exceptional reason. Department of the Secretariat and the Board of Revenue will be requested not to unnecessarily mark papers for the Press "Urgent."