

Public Works (1899) Department.

G.O., No. 3176-W

DATED 7 Dec 1899.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Legal Tender of Gold Coins

Pres. Dir. Sept. recording letter from the Govt of India forwarding a copy of its letter to the Govt of Bombay, regarding the acceptance to the Bombay Customs Authorities, of Sovereigns etc coined at ~~the~~ the Royal Mint in England or at any of its established branches, in payment of Customs Duties, coming to Officers of the

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From H. HESELTINE, Esq., Assistant Secretary to the Government of India,
Finance and Commerce Department, to the Secretary to the Government
of Bombay, Revenue Department, dated Calcutta, 8th November 1899,
No. 5103-A.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram, dated the 1st November 1899, regarding the refusal of the Bombay Customs Authorities to accept sovereigns in payment of Customs duties at the rate of Rs. 15 to the sovereign.

2. The Government of Bombay have doubtless informed the Collector of Customs that no separate notification was necessary, and that gold coins, whether coined at Her Majesty's Royal mint in England or at any mint established in pursuance of a Proclamation of Her Majesty's Government as a branch of Her Majesty's mint (sovereigns, half-sovereigns, two-pound pieces and five-pound pieces) having been declared to be legal tender by Act XXII of 1899, any person who owes a payment to the Government (or any one) may at his option pay in sovereigns and other gold coins.

Ordered that copy be forwarded to all Local Governments and Administrations, for information and guidance.

(Signed) H. HESELTINE,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—No. 1247, Financial, dated 16th November 1899.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

J. Asle
for Chief Secretary.

To all Departments of the Secretariat. (P.W. to)
„ the Accountant-General.
„ the Postmaster-General.
„ the Superintendent of Stationery.