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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
PENSION DEPARTMENT

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G.O., No. 223, 23rd February 1899.

FEBRUARY.

Matters of Political or Administrative importance.

Communicating to the departments of the Secretariat, for information and guidance, letter from the Government of India regarding the prompt submission to that Government of reports on —, or events which have excited public interest.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 313, Public, dated 19th February 1898.

Read—also the following paper :—

From A. H. L. FRASER, Esq., c.s.i., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India (Home Department —Public), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, 31st January 1899, No. 248.

I am directed to invite attention to the instructions of the Government of India conveyed in Home Department letter No. 1732–41, dated 24th August 1897, in reference to the prompt communication of information regarding matters of political or administrative importance.

2. Some objection was taken at the time to the request contained in paragraph 1 of that letter, that local officers should be instructed "to despatch direct to the Government of India duplicates of the telegrams in which they report matters of importance to the Local Government or Administration." But it was thought right to let the experiment be tried. I am to say that experience has shown that the advantages of this system are not so great as to lead the Government of India to insist on maintaining it. There have been several cases in which delay has occurred through misunderstanding arising from the division of responsibility in respect to this matter. The Governor-General in Council is, therefore, pleased to withdraw this request.

3. I am, at the same time, to say that His Excellency in Council considers it essential that information regarding matters of political or administrative importance, or events which have excited public interest, should be promptly communicated to the Government of India. The matters upon which the Government of India desire to receive the earliest possible information are—

(1) riots which involve a serious breach of the public peace ;
(2) all collisions between Europeans of all classes and Natives ;
(3) outrages which have a political aspect ;
(4) calamities, such as floods or earthquakes, which cause serious damage to life or property ; and
(5) all other events which have a political or administrative importance.

4. It is essential that such matters should be immediately reported by local officers to the Local Government or Administration ; and I am to request that instructions may be issued to secure that local officers shall promptly submit such reports by telegram. It is equally essential that these reports should reach the Government of India with the least possible delay. His Excellency in Council now leaves to the Local Government or Administration the duty of forwarding these reports by telegram, in the confident hope that it will be promptly and carefully performed.

5. This preliminary report should, in all cases of the kind which call for orders from the Local Government or Administration, be followed by an official report intimating its decision and communicating the orders passed as soon as the Local Government or Administration has been able to review the facts of the case and arrive at its conclusion regarding them.

Order—No. 223, Public, dated 23rd February 1899.

Communicated to the Departments of the Secretariat for information and guidance in continuation of G.O., No. 313, Public, dated 19th February 1898.

2. All Collectors and District Magistrates will be instructed to report promptly to the address of the Chief Secretary to Government, by telegram, the occurrence of such events as those referred to by the Government of India in paragraph 3 of its letter read above.

(True Extract.)

for *Chief Secretary*.

To all Departments of the Secretariat. (Pensions)
,, Collectors and District Magistrates.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

Pension (1899) Department

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G.O., No. 312, 1st March 1899.

MARCH.

Official Publications.

Communicating to the Superintendent, Government Press, for attention, letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State regarding the printing of the names of agents upon the publications issued by the various Governments in India.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper:—

G.O., No. 460, Financial, dated 18th May 1898.

Abstract.—Communicating, with remarks, to the departments of the Secretariat and to the Superintendent, Government Press, letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of correspondence relative to the establishment of agencies in India and in Europe for the sale of Government publications and directing the omission of the names of agents from the title-pages and covers of such publications.

Read—also the following paper:—

From H. LUSON, Esq., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Books), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, 11th February 1899, No. 101.

I am directed to forward the accompanying copy of a Despatch * from the Secretary of State regarding the printing of the names of agents upon the publications issued by the various Governments in India.

* No. 33-Public (Records) of the 13th October 1898.

2. His Lordship suggests that, in order to secure uniformity and to avoid any grounds for complaint in future, the names and addresses of all agents, including those in India, should be entered on the back of the half-title of each work issued under the orders of Government, the name of the printing office only from which the work emanates being given on the title-page. I am to say that the Governor-General in Council agrees with the suggestion, and to request that, with the permission of His Excellency the Governor in Council, the necessary orders may be issued to give effect to it in future.

Enclosures.

From the Right Hon'ble Lord GEORGE FRANCIS HAMILTON, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 13th October 1898, No. 33-Public (Records).

With reference to my Despatch, Public (Records), No. 11, dated the 24th February last, I enclose a copy of a letter received from Messrs. Grindlay & Co., requesting that their name may appear on the cover, as well as on the title-page, of future issues of the Indian Army List, and that the change in their address may be noted at the same time.

2. There appears to be considerable diversity of practice as regards the placing of names of agents upon the publications issued by the various Government presses in India. In some cases no agent is mentioned; in others two or three are selected to the exclusion of the rest. Sometimes, too, the names given are incorrect; for instance, the volume on the Monumental Remains of the Dutch East India Company, which was lately published at Madras, bears the names, as London agents, of Messrs. Trübner and Company, who amalgamated with another firm nine years ago, and Messrs. W. H. Allen and Company, who ceased to be official agents in March 1897.

3. I enclose for information a list of the firms who are at present agents to this office. To insert all these on a title-page would probably overcrowd it to an undesirable extent; while, if a selection be made, those omitted have ground for complaint. Perhaps the best course would be to give on the title-page of each work only the name of the printing office from which it emanates, as is done in most of the publications of your Excellency's Government; and at the same time to print the names and addresses of the agents (including those in India) in some other suitable place, such as the back of the half-title.

54, Parliament Street,
S. W.,
8th September 1898.

Sir,

We have the honour to call your attention to your letter No. 231 R. & L., dated the 23rd February 1898, in which you appointed us agents for the sale of the Indian Army List. We beg to request that the name of our firm as agents for the sale may be placed on the outside of the cover of the publication as is done in the case of other agents. We also request that in the list of agents given inside our address may be altered as above.

We have, &c.,

(Signed) GRINDLAY & Co.

The Under Secretary of State,
India Office, S.W.

OFFICIAL AGENTS.

In London.

E. A. Arnold, 37, Bedford Street, Strand, W.C.
Constable & Co., 2, Whitehall Gardens, S.W.
Sampson Low, Marston & Co., St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, E.C.
P. S. King & Son, 9, Bridge Street, Westminster, S.W.
Luzac & Co., 46, Great Russell Street, W.C.
Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Co., Charing Cross Road, W.C.
B. Quaritch, 15, Piccadilly, W.

On the Continent.

Friedländer & Sohn, 11, Carlstrasse, Berlin.
Otto Harrassowitz, Leipzig.
Karl W. Hiersemann, Leipzig.
Ernest Leroux, 28, Rue Bonaparte, Paris.
Martinus Nijhoff, The Hague.

Order—No. 312, Financial, dated 1st March 1899.

Communicated to the Superintendent, Government Press, who will observe the instructions of the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

A Eddington
for *Chief Secretary.*

To the Superintendent, Government Press.
Copy to departments of the Secretariat. (Pension)

Exd. P. Seetharam.

Pension (1899) Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

~~Read the following paper~~ :—

Read again G.O.No.405, Financial, dated 27th April 1898.

,, R No.841, ,, 2nd August 1898.

Read also the following:-

From the Secretary to the Muhammadan Literary Society, Madras, dated 13th December 1898.

ORDER:-No.319, dated 1st March 1899.

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5. The Governor in Council considers that departmental establishment Lists with the exception of such as are printed purely for office purposes may be placed on sale. The Superintendent, Government Press, will obtain orders from departments and officers concerned as to the lists to be included in this category.

(True Extract)

A Edgington
for Chief Secretary.

To the Pension Dept.

1/3/1899