

1. Name of Officer.
2. Date of repair. 1.10.36
3. Initials of Referencer.

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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1117	Press
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B. No.	(230-31)	
Dated	31.10.	1866.

Not to be folded or roughly handled

No. 230. Read the following letter from the Postmaster General, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 12th October 1866, No. 2980.

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government that a packet of printed forms from the Madras Male Asylum Press, addressed to a Military Officer at Bangalore, was lately sent to the Madras Post Office, in the official letter bag of the Brigade Major of Fort Saint George, and was certified by that Officer to be "On Her Majesty's Service only."

2. The Postmaster of Madras rightly charged postage upon the packet, but (as the new rules for the transmission of official correspondence are not yet generally understood) I directed the postage to be refunded to the addressee.

3. If the packet contained, as I conclude it did, printed forms which the addressee is required in the discharge of his duty to provide, and which he is paid for providing, it may be questionable whether they could properly be considered as "On Her Majesty's Service" at all; but if they were to be so considered, there can be no doubt that the packet ought to have been prepaid by service stamps, and that it should not have been sent in the bag of another office.

4. As I think it probable that this misunderstanding of the rules is not confined to the office of the Brigade Major of Fort Saint George, I beg leave to suggest that instructions be issued to the Heads of Privileged Offices in this Presidency to allow no correspondence to be sent in their official letter bag except that which, strictly speaking, belongs to their office.

No. 231. ORDER THEREON, 31st October 1866, No. 1117.

Ordered that the following Notification be issued:—

"With reference to the Postal Rules of the 4th May 1866, and in view to prevent misconception on the subject, the Governor in Council directs that Heads of Privileged Offices will see that no correspondence be sent in their official bag, except such as strictly appertains to their own office."

2. The Military Male and Female Orphan Asylums not being Government Institutions, the Governor in Council does not consider himself at liberty to exempt the official communications connected with those Asylums from payment of postage. The Orders that were passed on the subject, of dates the 18th February 1858 and 27th May 1864, are accordingly cancelled.

• (True Extract).

Secretary to Government.

To the Postmaster General.

„ Directors, Military Male Orphan Asylum.

„ Directors, Military Female Orphan Asylum.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Journal

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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from the Post Master General
Madras.

Here under 12th October 1866.

Order, 31st October 1866.

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Council

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was not in order being
Council sees no reason for
~~it being a request~~
~~excepting~~ the official com-
munications connected with
these ~~Colleges~~ from payment
of postage. The order
therefore ^{by my request} on the subject of date
the 10th February 1850 and
27th May 1864 are ac-
cordingly cancelled.

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Public 1866. Department.

No. 117.

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated. 31st October 1866

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