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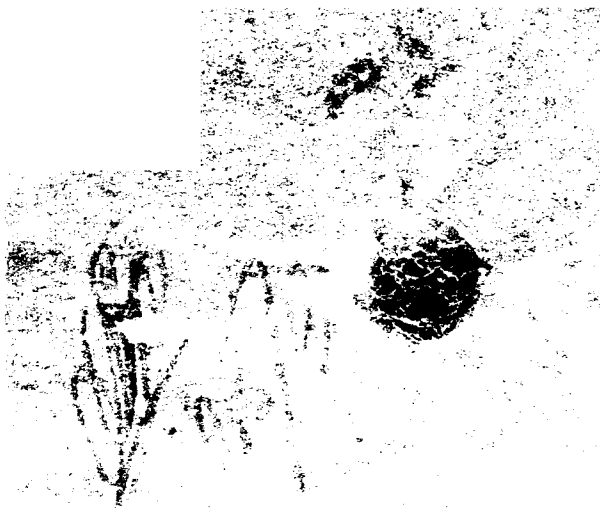
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Government of Madras.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
20th June 1866.

No. 112. Read the following letter from the Collector in charge of the Special Agent's Department at Cuddalore, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Cuddalore, 9th June 1866, No. 153.

I have the honor to request the instructions of Government, as to the nature of the communication which it will be necessary for me to make to His Excellency the Governor of Pondicherry, consequent on the publication of the Notification of the Government of India, No. 567, dated 4th May last, prescribing new rules for the payment and settlement of accounts of postage on official correspondence hereafter.

2. Under the existing system, the Government of Pondicherry are authorized to frank all official covers emanating from their office, but this privilege will cease after the 1st August next, under the terms of the Notification in question, as the French authorities are not included in the list of Public Offices privileged to send and receive, without actual payment of postage, letters and packets on Her Majesty's Service; and it remains, therefore, to inform Monsieur Bontemps, the Governor of Pondicherry, and for the information of the Governors or Chiefs at the Subordinate French Settlements in India, what course is to be adopted by them in the matter of the official correspondence between His Excellency and myself and other British authorities, and, accordingly, I bring the matter thus early before Government that no unpleasantness or misunderstanding may arise on the commencement of the new system, which appears to me to require explanation and notice to the French Government beforehand.

3. Soliciting an early reply to this reference, I have the honor to be, &c.

No. 113. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Fort Saint George, 20th June 1866, No. 615.

I am directed to transmit the annexed copy of a letter from the Collector of South Arcot and Special Agent for Foreign Settlements, and to inquire whether, under the Notification of the Home Department, of the 4th ultimo, No. 567, which will supersede the franking lists at present in force, the Government of India intended to revoke, or in any way to modify, the privilege which has been granted to the Governors of Foreign European Settlements, of franking official letters, packets, and parcels.

2. The withdrawal of this privilege cannot fail of being very unwelcome.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No 25 May 1866 No. 110/41

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