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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
31st October 1867.*

Read the following :—

No. 277. From the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Officiating Director General of Telegraphs in India; dated Simla, 7th September 1867, No. 4310.

Home Department,
Electric Telegraph.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 3396, dated the 17th ultimo, and in reply to inform you that the Governor General in Council is pleased to sanction the retention of the Telegraph Offices at Quilon and Nagercoil on the conditions specified in the letter*

* No 790, dated 5th July.

from the Madras Government, regarding the probable deficit to be made good by His Highness the Maharajah of Travancore.

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No. 4311.

Copy of the above letter, and of that to which it is a reply, forwarded to the Government of Fort Saint George for information.

(Signed) E. C. BAYLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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From Major R. MURRAY, Officiating Director General of Telegraphs in India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department; dated Calcutta, 17th August 1867, No. 3396.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 2967, of the 31st ultimo, calling upon me to report on certain proposals made by the Acting Resident in Travancore, relative to the guarantee that should be entered into by His Highness the Maharajah of Travancore to insure the Government of India against the loss that will be incurred by retaining Telegraph Offices at Quilon and Nagercoil.

2. It is proposed that 50 per cent. shall be added to the cash collections of each office to represent the value of messages despatched from outside; that the financial results of the four offices in Travancore, viz., Allepi, Quilon, Trevandrum, and Nagercoil, shall be taken as a whole; that the Maharajah shall make good the net losses on the whole, and not on Quilon and Nagercoil only, and that the expenses of one of the offices, due to the maintenance of through traffic, and also of line riders, shall be left out of the estimated cost.

3. The cash collections at both Quilon and Nagercoil have improved since Colonel Glover recommended the closing of these offices in June last year, and assuming the above arrangement to be accepted, and Trevandrum, the most Central Office between Cochin and Palamcottah, as the office maintained for Departmental purposes for through work, the amount that would probably have to be made good by His Highness the Maharajah would be about Rupees 209 monthly, as follows :—

	<i>Receipts.</i>	<i>Disbursements.</i>
	RS.	RS.
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Quilon... ..	46 + 50 „ = 69	174
Nagercoil... ..	53 + 50 „ = 80	222
	548	757
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Probable monthly amount to be made good... 209

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4. If the Government concur in the view expressed in the 16th paragraph of the Acting Resident's letter, that it is desirable that the wishes of His Highness the Maharajah of Travancore should be considered with regard to the retention of these offices, irrespective of the financial result involved, I have no objection to urge to the terms proposed, the more especially as the recommendation to close the offices was made solely on account of their unremunerative character.

5. In the last letter from the Acting Resident, No. 23A, that officer considers that 75 per cent. should be substituted for 50 per cent. mentioned in his previous letter. It is not clear from the table appended to his letter how he arrives at the 75 per cent., or how it applies to the 50 per cent. referred to in his former letter, which was assumed to represent "the value of messages despatched from outside." I have, therefore, based the above calculations on 50 per cent. as apparently agreed to by His Highness.

No. 278.

ORDER THEREON, 31st October 1867, No. 1360.

Communicated to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

(True Extract).

A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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FROM

E. C. BAYLEY, Esq.,
Secretary to the Government of India,

TO

THE OFFG. DIRECTOR GENERAL OF
TELEGRAPHS IN INDIA.

Home Dept.

Elec. Telegraph.

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E. C. Bayley
Secretary to the Government of India.

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Public Works Dept

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From
Secretary Govt of India
Home Dept
No 4310

27 Sep
27 Dec

Recd 26 Oct 1867

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Communicating
to the retention of the
Telegraph Office at
Magercoil on the
stations specified

With you order

25 Oct
277.278

31st Oct 1867

Communicated

to the Resident in

K. Corbin

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K. Corbin