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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public - DEPARTMENT.

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Dated	<i>4-1-</i>	<i>1867.</i>

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FROM

A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
 HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

With reference to Mr. Under Secretary Monteath's letter of the 31st August last, No. 4168, paragraph 3, and to the accompanying copy of a letter from the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, I am directed to request that the Commissioner and his Secretary may be included in the list of "Privileged Offices," under the Postal Rules of the 4th May 1866.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
 4th January 1867.

Chief Secretary.

From the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government,
 Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 19th December 1866, No. 314.

With reference to the Orders of the Supreme Government (Home Department),
 No. 567, dated 4th May, and No. 2957,
 dated 20th July 1866, regarding the use

*Vide Fort Saint George Gazette, dated 17th August 1866,
 pages 211 and 212.*

of service labels in payment of postages,

I have respectfully to solicit that the Honorable the Governor in Council may be pleased to recommend to the Supreme Government that it is desirable that "the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras and his Secretary" should be included among the list of public offices with which the Post Office will keep accounts of postage on official letters received and despatched, and for which official bags will be made up.

2. In support of this application, I may state that the correspondence in this office is now greatly in excess of what it was prior to the present year. At the end of the past official year, upwards of one thousand letters had been despatched from this office, and the number in the current year will probably be twice as great. Upwards of 1200 letters were received in 1865-66.

3. Annually, now and henceforward, upwards of 4000 Returns must be despatched and a similar number received in the Mortuary Department alone.

Several hundred demi-official letters have to be sent to public offices at the Presidency during the year, and, similarly, hundreds of letters are received; and these, if not duly stamped, are a source of reference for refund of postage through the Pay Department.

4. During my absence on tours in the interior of the Presidency, constant communications are necessarily passing between myself and the office at the Presidency, and much trouble is occasioned by completing the arrangements regarding the postage charges for letters despatched to non-privileged offices and received improperly franked.

5. Under these circumstances, I venture to hope that His Lordship in Council will be pleased to support my application that this office may be "privileged" as so many others are.

Edw. J. H. Burns.

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The Chief Secretary to Govern-
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Fort Saint George

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Solicits the Honorable
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Public Department.

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