

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 317	Press Mis.
Dated 10-3-	1868 19

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No. 78. Read the following letter from the Postmaster General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 9th March 1868, No. 5318.

The Director General of the Post Office of India has pointed out to me that in consequence of the arrangement under which all Mails to and from Europe, China, &c., as well as Inland Mails, will be received and despatched for the future by Railway, it is very desirable that the Madras General Post Office should be built as near to the new Railway Station as possible; that the site which has been set apart for it on the beach, though an excellent one under other circumstances, is no longer suitable, as, if the Post Office were built there, it would be necessary to carry the Mails on their arrival a full mile to the office, while most of the letters would be carried back over the same ground in course of delivery.

2. I have the honor to request that you will submit this suggestion for the consideration of Government, in order that, if possible, a site may be granted for the building near the new station, instead of that which has been set apart for the purpose on the beach.

3. It would be a very great advantage (if it should be found practicable) that the Post Office should be so situated, with reference to the station, that a siding might be constructed by which the Mail Vans could be conveyed from the main line to a door in the Post Office, so that the Mails could be transferred direct from the Post Office to the van, and *vice versa*.

No. 79. ORDER THEREON, 10th March 1868, No. 317.

The Government resolve to request Dr. Mackenzie, the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, and Colonels Silver and Denison, to associate themselves as a Committee to inquire and report whether a site for the new Post Office can be provided in connection with the new Railway Station at the Hospital bridge.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department.

To Colonel A. C. Silver.

„ C. Denison.

To the Postmaster General.

Exd. F. E. Bantleman.

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POSTMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
MADRAS, 9th March 1868.

From

Lieut. Colonel A. C. Pears

To

Postmaster General,

The Honorable W. S. Ellis C. B.

Chief Secretary to Government,

Public Department,

Fort Saint George.

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Sir,
 General Robert Brown
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From

The Postmaster General,

Madras.

The Chief Secretary to Government,

Public Department,

Fort Saint George,

Postal measures

No.

4541-662-379.

Dated 9 March 1868

Received

Answered

Subscribed

Request that he will submit for the consideration of Government a suggestion made by the Madras Committee of the Post Office of selecting a site for the new post office building near the new Madras Station, and of the one which was the most for the service required.

10 March 1868 No. 379.

Re: Post Office.

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