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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.

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Dated

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
13th January 1869.*

No. 45. Read the following letter from the Postmaster General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Madras, 8th January 1869, No. 4396-2137.

With reference to the Order of Government, Public Department, No. 1177, dated 21st September 1868, I have the honor to inform you that all practicable inquiry has been made regarding Lieutenant Barclay's letters, particularly that which was posted to his address, in London, on the 1st January 1868.

2. Three of these letters were addressed to places in the Bombay Presidency, and could not, therefore, have passed through any Post Office in this Circle.

3. It appears from the Register in the Madras Post Office, that, on the 27th of February last, two letters were re-directed to "Captain Barclay," and forwarded to Bombay. These are probably the letters posted in England in November 1867, and New years day 1868. But as the envelope of the letter has not been kept, nothing further can be ascertained regarding it.

4. It does not appear clear whether the letter of November was finally received or not. The delay to which it was subjected (together with that of January 1st) arose from its having been directed to Madras, instead of Bombay.

5. Mr. P. Barclay, in his letter to the Secretary of State, says that Madras is his son's Presidency. But from a communication received from the Assistant Adjutant General Royal Artillery, Madras, dated 5th December 1868, I understand that Lieutenant Barclay's Battery has but just arrived at Madras, and that Lieutenant Barclay himself has obtained leave to remain in Bombay till the 15th February.

6. On receipt of these letters at the Madras Post Office, every endeavour was made to deliver them ; but as Lieutenant Barclay was "not known" at the Adjutant General's Office, and as he had sent no instructions for the disposal of his letters to the Post Office, they were necessarily detained until (by what means cannot be ascertained) it was discovered that he was in the Bombay Presidency, and they were sent to Bombay accordingly.

7. Lieutenant Barclay in his last letter to the Postmaster of Madras, dated 19th ultimo, requests that the correspondence on the subject, as far as he is concerned, may close.

No. 46. ORDER THEREON, 13th January 1869, No. 37.
To be recorded.
(True Extract).

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

N^o 4395
2137

POSTMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
MADRAS, 8th January 1867.

From Lieut. Colonel A. C. Sears

Postmaster General,

To Honorable R. S. Ellis Esq.

Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department,

Fort Saint George.

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Dated January, 18th.

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G. O., 13th January 1869, No. 37.

JANUARY.
Nos. 45-46.

Recording letter from the Postmaster General, reporting that all practicable inquiry has been made regarding Lieutenant Barclay's missing letters.

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accordingly.

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his last letter to the Postmaster of
Madras dated 19th October requests
that the correspondence on the subject,
as far as he is concerned may close.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
R. G. S.
Postmaster General

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hit 26 June

1868
Public Department

From

The Postmaster General,
Madras.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department,
Fort Saint George,

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G. O. No. 13 Jan⁴ 1868 No. 37.

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Recording letter from the
Post-Master General reporting
that all practicable inquiry
has been made regarding
Miss Barclay's missing
letters.