

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 374

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To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward copies of a Despatch from the Secretary of State and of correspondence with the Director of Public Instruction relative to Canarese inscriptions. I am to request that this Government may be informed whether the Bombay Government would wish the whole of the M.SS. described in Mr. Pickford's letter to be sent to Bombay on loan, or only the more ancient inscriptions in the Canada character.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
1st April 1870.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Chief Secretary.

Despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated India Office, London, 27th January 1870, No. 4, (Public.)

Her Majesty's Government having approved of a scheme for the collection and preservation of the ancient Canarese inscriptions, it is considered desirable that the gentleman entrusted with the task of collecting them should have access to the copies taken for the late Colonel Mackenzie, which are still preserved at Madras. I have, therefore, to request that you will have the goodness to cause them to be forwarded on loan to the Bombay Government, with a view to their being placed at the service of the gentleman appointed on that special duty.

From the Director of Public Instruction, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 26th March 1870, No. 540.

I have the honour to return the Despatch from the Home Government, forwarded with a covering Memorandum, No. 66, of the 16th instant, from Mr. Under Secretary Stokes, and to submit a letter, dated the 22nd idem, from the Professor of Sanskrit, Presidency College.

2. It will be seen, from Mr. Pickford's communication, that, among the M.SS. under his charge, there are several containing Canarese inscriptions, some appearing to be of an old date and written in the Canada character, while the rest are comparatively new transcripts, written in the Telugu character, and are bound up with Telugu and other inscriptions. Both sets have been put apart pending further orders.

3. No Canarese inscriptions are under the charge of the Curator of Government Books.

From J. PICKFORD, Esq., Professor of Sanskrit, Presidency College, to the Director of Public Instruction, dated Madras, 22nd March 1870.

In reply to your letter of the 17th instant, I have the honour to inform you that, among the M.SS. now under my charge, there are several containing Canarese inscriptions; and these appear to be of two distinct kinds, originals and copies: the former are few, in number not exceeding four volumes, written on paper in Canada character, and old.

2. The latter are new transcripts on English paper, and in the Telugu character, bound up with Telugu and other inscriptions in the local records. I have set both apart, and whether the originals or copies are required, they can at once be forwarded.

Exd. J. Wright.

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No. 4.

India Office, London

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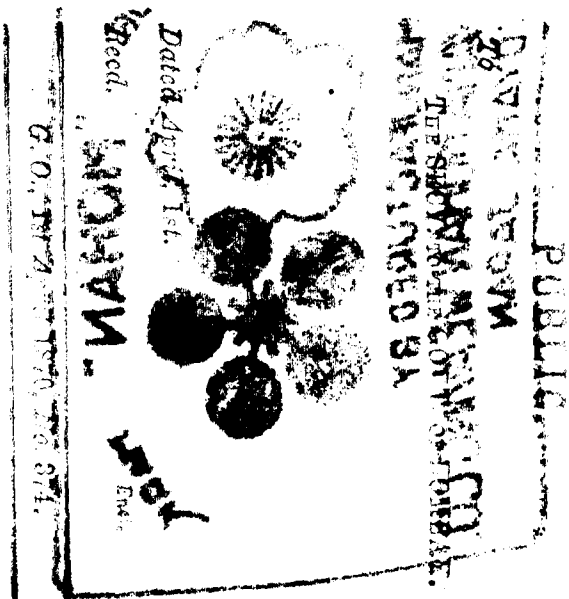
The Right Honorable

The Governor in Council

Fort St. George.

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Govt. of Madras.



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Added after the
Office of the
Library of the
British Museum.

Bombay Government
~~By order of the~~
~~Secretary to the Government~~
an officer appointed to
special duty.

I have the honor to be
My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient
humble servant

Ans

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