

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1106	Press Mis.
Dated	20-7-	1871

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,

20th July 1871.

No. 172. Read the following letter from the Rev. J. F. KEARNS, Tinnevely, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Puthiamputhur, 10th July 1871 :—

I have in my possession a printed copy of "papers and correspondence" relative to the late expedition against the refractory Poligars in the Tinnevely "country under the direction of Major Bannerman in 1799." It was printed in London in 1807, and is entirely composed of *official* documents relative to the Poligar rebellion, embracing Despatches from the Court of Directors, the Governor-General, and the Madras Government, together with Major Bannerman's despatches relative to the progress of the rebellion, the capture of the Poligar fort, and the execution of the Poligar. Possibly there is not another copy of this work extant, and, from a search which I made in the Tinnevely records about eleven years ago, I am induced to think, from not finding in them a single despatch, that the records of the rebellion have perished. The notices which I did meet with are of the most meagre description. It appears to me that Government ought to be in possession of these valuable documents, for without them the history of this province at that period could be only very imperfectly written. If, therefore, the Government will reprint as many copies as they may deem desirable, I shall place my copy at their disposal for the purpose, only stipulating that it shall be returned to me with a few copies of the re-issue. I shall feel much obliged if you will bring this letter to the notice of His Excellency the Governor in Council as early as possible.

No. 173. ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1871, No. 1106.

The Government request that Mr. Kearns will favour them with an inspection of the book.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Rev. J. F. Kearns.

Exd. J. Wright.

Oct. of 1871

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To
THE REV. J. F. KEARNS.

Dated July, 20th.

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G. O. 20th July 1871, No. 1106.

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Nos. 172-173.

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Puthamputhur

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10th July 1871

To W. Huddleston Esq.

Ag Chief Secretary
Fort St George
Madras.

Sir

I have in my possession a printed copy of a paper
entitled "Puthamputhur, which is the last rebellion against the
British in the country under the
Governor of Madras in 1799". It was
published in 1800, and is a very
interesting and valuable work.
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The Rev. J. F. Matthews.

Dated July 20

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