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[Despatch Abstract.]

*Permit the publica-
tion of the Madras
Meteorological results-
from 1884 to 1890-*

No. 46

The Observatories
Madras 11th September 1891

From,

The Offg. Government Astronomer,
Madras

To

The Honble J. F. Price,
Chief Secretary to Government,

Sir,

With reference to the publication of the
Madras Meteorological Results for the 30 years
from 1861 to 1890 I have the honor to make the
following proposals.

2 The observations extend over a period
of 30 years during which the wind direction and
strength and the rainfall were automatically
recorded, while the thermometers were exposed
in the Indian Shed. All instruments used
were carefully compared with standards, and
the observations were, throughout the whole 30
years superintended by Mr Pogson, who was very
particular about their accuracy. The results
are therefore of great value and should be
published at the earliest possible date.

3 I have spoken to Mr J. Eliot,
Meteorological Reporter to the Government of India
on the subject and he agrees with me that
early publication is most desirable and that
it would be well to publish in two parts.
Part I. would then contain the daily means with
an introduction on the instruments and the
methods of reduction employed, and Part II.
would contain in a series of appendices
discussion of the general results for the whole
period. Part I. would contain from 370 to 400
pages

pages, but it is impossible to say before hand
the length to which Part II. would run.

4. The work is at present in an advanced
state of preparation. A "press copy" has been
prepared for most of the years which is com-
plete (and has been compared with the
originals) except in one column which I
will have to fill in myself. The correcting
of the proofs or at least a great part of
it, can be done by those of the assistants
who are unable to help in the astro-
nomical work, though it will be necessary
for me to look through the last proof. If
carried on without hurrying I am sure
the work can be done without in any way
delaying the astronomical publications
which are at present proceeding as fast
as the press can print them.

5. Under these circumstances I
have the honor to request permission to
proceed with the publication in the manner
indicated.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

E. Murchie Smith

Offg. Govt. Astronomer.

of a

Public (1891) Department

From,

The offg. Govt. Astronomer,
Madras.



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Subject.

Submitting certain proposals regarding the publication of the Madras Meteorological Results for the 30 years from 1861 to 1890.

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The permission requested in para 5th is hereby accorded.

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To
The Govt. Astronomer
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