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[Despatch Abstract.]

Diamond Jubilee.

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G. O., No. 704, 4th June 1897.

JUNE.

Diamond Jubilee Distribution of Certificates in commemoration of—communicating to all Collectors letter from the Government of India, authorizing local governments and administrations to issue to such non-official gentlemen as have rendered services deserving recognition by Government, certificates in commemoration of the completion of the 60th year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen Empress of India similar to those presented on the occasion of the assumption of the title of Empress of India by Her Majesty.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following papers :—

G. O. No. 747, Political, dated 21st November 1876.

Read the following Circular from the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, (Political), to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Simla, 7th October 1876, No. 2299-P. :—

With reference to the announcement of the 18th August and the Viceroy's secret letter on the subject of the Imperial Assemblage, I have the honor, by direction of the Right Honorable the Governor-General in Council, to address you in regard to the measures to be adopted for giving further publicity to Her Majesty's Proclamation.

2. The effect of the announcement at Delhi will necessarily be limited to the assemblage there present, but it is essential to the object in view that the significance of the day should be brought home to the general population. With this view it is the desire of the Viceroy and Governor-General in Council that, on the day of the Imperial Assemblage at Delhi, a Durbar shall be held at the headquarters of each Division or District throughout British India (excepting Delhi) by the Chief Civil Officer of Government for the purpose of announcing with befitting ceremony the assumption by Her Majesty Victoria of the title of "Empress of India."

3. In requesting that, under the instructions of His Grace the Governor in Council, the necessary orders may be issued, I am desired to state that it is the wish of His Excellency in Council that the notables of each District, such as Jagirdars or Honorary Magistrates, Members of Municipal School, Dispensary, and other Committees, together with the principal citizens and landholders, should be summoned to these Durbars, and that such of the persons above described as may have distinguished themselves by good service and loyalty to the British Government, or may for other reasons be considered worthy of the honor, should be presented with a certificate in the form annexed.

4. These certificates, the cost of which will be defrayed from Imperial revenues, will be prepared upon parchment under the superintendence of this Office, and I am to request that you will report, at the earliest possible date, what number will be required for distribution in the Madras Presidency.

5. Copies of the Queen's Proclamation in English and Urdu, together with memoranda of the remarks which the Government of India wishes to be made upon the occasion, will be sent to the Government of Madras hereafter and should be in due time forwarded, confidentially, in a sealed cover, to the Officers who will hold the Durbar.

6. After the Proclamation has been read in English and Vernacular, an address should be delivered in the sense of the memorandum above referred to by the Officer holding the Durbar, who should then convey to each recipient of the certificate, in suitable terms the acknowledgments of Government for the services rendered by him.

7. You will observe from the form annexed that the grant of these certificates should not be confined to such Native gentlemen as may be associated in the

administration of the district, but should be extended to those who may, for other reasons, be considered worthy of receiving this mark of the consideration of the British Government.



BY COMMAND OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE VICEROY AND GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL this Certificate is presented in the name of HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY VICTORIA, EMPRESS OF INDIA, to (here enter name, father's name, and description) in recognition of his (here enter nature of his services, of grounds on which the Certificate is given).

(Head of Local Government or Administration.)

ORDER THEREON, 21st November 1876, No. 747.

Ordered that the above Circular letter from the Government of India be communicated to all Collectors with instructions to submit with the least possible delay their proposals for giving the fullest effect to the wishes of the Viceroy and Governor-General in Council.

2. The Governor in Council resolves to place Rupees (1,000) one thousand at the disposal of each Collector out of the limited amount assigned by the Government of India, for employment as may be thought best in popular demonstration in honor of the occasion.

3. The Collectors will state what they propose to do in this direction, and will further submit the names of the individuals to whom they propose to present certificates of approved good service, with the grounds for the selection. The Government have applied for fifty copies for use in each District, and if more are likely to be required, intimation should be at once given by telegraph.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

To all Collectors.

„ the Commissioner of the Nilgiris.

„ Accountant-General.

Circular letter, No. 823, Political, dated 9th December 1876, from the Chief Secretary to Government to all Collectors.

The intention of the Viceroy in directing the bestowal of the certificates referred in G.O., dated 21st November 1876, No. 747, was principally to honor minor chiefs and members of the landed gentry whom circumstances have enabled to render loyal service to the State or who have given their aid gratuitously to useful public works.

2. The first category is more numerous in Northern India than in this Presidency, where there has been a long period of peace, but it will not be difficult in all districts to select a considerable number of land-owners who are highly respected, and are distinguished by their kindness to their dependants and their loyalty to the State. These would be worthy recipients of the honor intended by the Viceroy, and it will be in accordance with His Excellency's wishes to give

certificates to a certain proportion of retired Native public servants of high character and to Native gentlemen not in the service of Government, who have distinguished themselves by their service on the Municipal and Local Fund Boards. Except under very special circumstances it does not seem desirable to confer certificates on persons in the public service, nor does it seem to have been intended that they should be bestowed on other than Native gentlemen.

3. With these remarks for your guidance, the Government are satisfied to leave the matter in your hands, requesting you to submit eventually for transmission to the Government of India a complete list of the persons to whom you may have presented certificates. You will speedily telegraph the number of blank forms you require for distribution.

READ—also the following papers:—

From J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Public), No. 869, dated Simla, the 22nd May 1897, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

On the occasion of the assumption of the title of Empress of India by Her Majesty, certificates were granted to non-official native gentlemen of distinction in the attached form, and it appears that similar certificates were given in at least one Province in 1887.

2. The Governor-General in Council thinks that this precedent may be followed in the present year, and His Excellency in Council therefore authorises Local Governments and Administrations to issue such certificates in commemoration of the completion of the 60th year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen, Empress of India.

3. It is essential that these certificates should be granted with discrimination and be reserved for those who have actually rendered services which deserve recognition by Government and are such as can be distinctly specified in the body of the certificate. And it is also necessary that the number of certificates to be granted should be limited in such a manner as to secure that they shall be properly valued.

Subject to these conditions the Governor-General in Council authorises Local Governments and Administrations to grant certificates in the annexed form on 22nd June next, and to determine the number which shall be distributed in the territories under their control.

ENCLOSURE.

By Command of His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General in Council, this certificate is presented in the name of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, Empress of India, to (here enter name, father's name and description) in recognition of his (here enter nature of his services or grounds upon which the certificate is given).

ORDER—No. 704, PUBLIC, dated 4th June 1897.

Communicated to all Collectors.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To all Collectors
„ the Accountant-General.

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 2013

From

The Govt. of India

Home
Public.

No. 869

Order

Dated

Received

Registered

Enclosures

Spare copies

22 " }
28 " } 5-97
31 " }

— 1

- 7 of 11 enclos.

SUBJECT.

Regarding the grant of certificates of distinction to non-official native gentlemen in commemoration of the completion of the 60th year of the reign of H. M. the Queen Empress.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
fo	747	Poll	21-11-76
	823	.	9-12-76

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CURRENT No. 2013

No. 869.

FROM

J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E.,

Secretary to the Government of India

To

The Chief Secy to the Govt. of Madras.



Home Department.
Public.

Simla, the 22 May 1897.

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I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

L. M. Thornton

Secy to the Government of India.

1897
Pub. Dept.
Encls. No. 1
To
O. No. 2013

Put corr. 2012/2
2/16/12

Then should
go out 1/2

h2

1/6/12





 very dear Sir -
 I am sorry to hear that you think India Supply for the year 1877 -
 I have asked if they will so
 and give an estimate of the number required.
 In 1877 - Colrs presented them &
 I think signed them. But then there
 was a Durbar in each district - Is
 there to be a Durbar now? Apparently
 not - But we had better ask. I think
 that, apparently the certificate
 should be signed by the Chf. Sec. for
 the local part -

the local part -
 Atkinson is new to Madras & can't
 know the people. Is there any master
 whom we can ask for names? My
 memory is like a sieve & I can
 recall names, but perhaps
 we could make up a Madras list

opening up in the office. The
only man I saw at the moment
thinking of Mr. Viceroy's house (I think
the first of the party who
has been taking for about the
last week - I don't know if it
is the same as the previous one or
the same as the previous one (I don't
know).

I should see that paper
yesterday that they were
marked for me only. I don't properly
know what to do with them. However
and destinations are not in my
line - If you agree, you will
come take H.D.'s orders on all
points. If not, and if there are
points in which orders are required,
perhaps you will kindly bring the

papers to me. Time presses
so the quickest way of disposing of
doubtful points will be informal
consultation.

Yours very truly
H.W. Wills



Urgent.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

Ottacamund.

30 June 1897

CHIEF SECRETARY

23 JUN. 1897

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

*Let it be sent by the
the last of the
Key Department
the last of the
about the certificates.
Bliss to D.O. 1897
I have shown it to His Excellency
and His Excellency approves
of the references suggested in
the first 2 paragraphs of it
being made to India. The case
is not quite the same as that
of 1887 because then there was
an important official message
to be delivered to the nation*

whereas now there is nothing
of the sort. Still if there is
going to be any presentation
of certificates, a Durbar would
be the best place to
give the man. As regards
the signing of the certificates,
His Excellency thinks that, if
they are not signed by the
Viceroy, they should be signed
by the Governor.

Yours sincerely

W. S. M.

C. No. 2013

L H. E. THE GOVERNOR. ✓
/ THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E. ✓
THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E. ✓

SUBJECT.
Certificate of destruction
to be conferred in commemo-
-ration of the completion
of Her Majesty's 60th year

FOR ORDERS.

Should telegraph to all
Clerks to send in names, re-
ferring them to papers A &
B & giving the substance of para
3 of the current, which should
be printed & circ. as quickly
as possible -

BN
1/6/97

F. 14 26 97

JG
2/6/97

Please see the
papers flagged A and B
with fo. 747 Vol of
21. 11. 96. More detailed
information was then
given than is afforded
in the present current
Para 4 of the letter
A shows that the cost of
the certificates on
that occasion was
met from Imperial
revenues and in
para 2 of the current
under disposal it is
stated that the
precedent of 1876
may be followed
Orders are
therefore solicited

C 1/6/97 C 1/6/97
12 12 12 12

also whether
instructions
^{on the line} ~~to~~ those
at ^{AB} A may be issued

The President and Council members
might be asked in L L M.

CW.
31.5.97

20
1/6/97

67
74
4,970-132

NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

Do not the question of
holding of Darbars covered
by India's objection to large
gatherings of people on this
occasion

CMS
3/6/97

Office
per the
telegram and
3/6/97

C.S.

The following telegrams
will be despatched
to Home, India

402+ Your letter 869
twenty second ^{ultimus} ~~ultimus~~

will foot under
following precedent
1876 [vide Foreign

Political letter 22998
seventh October 1876]

Supply certificates
up to maximum

(^{fifty}_{thirty}) per district?

Should durbars
be held at each
district. Who
signs certificates?

C.W.
4/6/97

from orders/
28
3/6/97

[?]

fifty were given in 76.
perhaps that would
be sufficient now
C.W.

NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

Submitted
to the C.S. for perusal
The file has not
yet gone to the Hon
W. J. Rose

Meanwhile
the D.O. from the
Hon. Mr. Wilson
has been sent
by special
messenger to
J. L. the Governor
(not yet returned)
Orders are solicited
as to whether this is
to go on to the Hon
Mr. Justice

Cw.
26/87

[G.]
[14]

4,700-13-8-98.

NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

Papers with
St. M. S. O. W.

yet come from

the P. S. & set

sent this Council

all
B/6787
8/10/87

C. No.

TELEPHONE MESSAGE.

Very Urgent

From

The Chief Secy

CHIEF SECRETARIAT,

To

*The Private Secy
to H.E. the Governor*

Dated *3rd June* 1897.

*Bliss' D.O.
regarding Jubilee
certificates asked
for in yesterday's
telephone urgently
required*

*C.W. for C.S.
3/6/97*

Sent 13/45

3/6/97

[G]
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300-5-3-07.

Public Department.

C. No.

TELEPHONE MESSAGE.

Argeant

From

The Chief Secretary

CHIEF SECRETARIAT,

To

*The Private Secretary
to H.E. the Governor*

Dated *2nd June 1897*

*Please return
Blind D.O. regarding
Jubilee Certificate
Soon. 10*

*C.S.
2/6/97*

*10/10/5
1897*

2101

postcard for 2101

sent to the post office

sent to the post office
2101

Code
Class.

INDIAN TELEGRAPHS

Monthly
Number.

To
(Office)

From
(Office)

Wds.

Day.

Hour.

Minute.

Official
Instructions.

To
(Person)

From
(Person)

32 Word Form.

Recd. from

LX.

Sent to

LX.

At

Hrs.

Mts. by

At

Hrs.

Mts. by

Telegraph Master.

F.C.I.

Certificate ✓

He had better let Colm
know that we have
applied for 30 head
described and that
they should know if
they think that more
are required. How
many were issued
in 1876

20
876757

Telegram

20 all Collectors

403 Application
has been made
to Govt India
for thirty Jubilee
Certificate forms
per district.
Wire if more
considered
necessary

C.S.
3/6/97

20
3/6/97

So
I have been able to obtain the
information required for the
above.

[G.]
[21.]

300-20-1-97.

Public DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:--

Again G.O., dated 21st Nov 1876, No. 747 Pol (a)

Again G.O., dated 9th Dec 1876, No. 823 (do) (a)

Public Current No. 2013 of 1897, dated 22/5, from The foot of India (a)

" " " 189 " " " "

" " " 189 " " " "

C.S.

ORDER

A

Communicated
to all Collectors

2. The following
telegrams will ~~will~~ be
despatched to all
Collectors:--

3981. "Following precedents
Political f.d.s. 747 and
823 twenty first Nov
and ninth December
1876 Submit immedi-
-ately names for grant
certificates of such
as have actually
rendered service
deserving recognition
and which can
be distinctly specific
As number certi-
-ficates ^{will be} should

be limited to be
~~properly valued~~
discrimination
very necessary"
from orders

aw.
3/6/97

3/6/97

To all Collectors
Acetfral (1/10/97)

First copy sent to Press.

Returned for signature.

Despatched in print.

HEAD AGAIN G.O., No.
189

DATE

CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT

LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

PAPERS NOT FILLED UP, BEING MEANT FOR DESPATCH
IN ORIGINAL.

N.B.—

A = Print in full.
B = Not to be printed.
P = Print abstract only.
Q = Print heading only.

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Order complete.
Letter only.
Order complete with Letter.