

Public (1895⁸) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 541-2

Dated 14-4-88

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Requesting the S.E. to arrange that, in future, advice of the despatches medical stores for Minicoy, shall be sent to the Supt. Imperial Light Service, Colombo; and a certificate of the office of the Ceylon Govt. to refund the price realized by the sale of certain medical stores intended for despatch to Minicoy via Colombo.

BACK PAPERS.

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	320	Pub: + paper	22-2-98

FURTHER PAPERS.

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No. 261

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras, the 22nd March 1898
Despatched on 28 March 1898
C.B.,

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL C. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public DEPARTMENT.

Sir,

With reference to G.O. No. 320, Public, dated the 22nd February 1898, I have the honor to state that the consignee of the goods was the hospital assistant at Minicoy Island and the packages were addressed to the care of the Superintendent, Imperial Light Service, Colombo. There are no means of direct communication between the island and the mainland and the District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Calicut, was not aware of the non-receipt of the packages until the arrival of the hospital assistant from Minicoy. It will thus be seen that there was no neglect on the part of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer or of the hospital assistant.

2. According to section 88 (noted in the margin) of

"If any goods are not entered and cleared for home-consumption, or warehoused within four months from the date of entry of the vessel, such goods may, after due notice to the owner, if his address can be ascertained and in the local official Gazette, be sold by public auction" X X X X X
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Act VIII of 1878 of the Sea Customs Law of India, the goods may be sold in public auction, only after due notice has been given if possible to the owner

and after the sale has been notified in advance in the local official Gazette.

3. I am not, however, aware what rules are in force in Ceylon on this subject.

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

C. Sibthorpe

Surgeon-Major-General,
Surgeon-General with the Government

C. No. 1191

SUBJECT.

~~HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.~~

~~THE HON'BLE SIR HENRY BLISS, K.O.I.E.~~

~~THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.~~

Loss of medical stores sent from
Malabar for Minicoy via Colombo.

C. S.

FOR ORDERS.

The S.G. reports that the Dist Medical and Sanitary Officer, Calicut, pleads that the want of direct communication between Minicoy and the mainland was the cause of his not knowing that the consignment had not reached its destination. Govt. knows nothing of the arrangement under which the stores are sent to the care of the Supt. Imperial Light Service. Obviously it was he who should have taken delivery, and the Ceylon Customs authorities might have communicated with him. It appears however that the mistake is due to the fact that the matter was disposed of by the subordinate official, and not reported to the Principal Collector (vide Colonial Secretary's letter at O) The S.G. may it is submitted be told that in future the Supt. of Light Service should be advised of the despatch of stores for Minicoy so that if there is any delay he can arrange matters with the Customs authorities.

As for the repayment promise

by Ceylon "if necessary" it is submitted
that Ceylon may be asked to refund the
price realised by the sale.

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Public DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings :--

Again G.Os. No. 1396 & 7, dated

16.10.1897.

Again G.O., No. 320, dated

22.2.1898.

Current No. 1191 of 1898, dated

22.3.1898 from S.G.

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C.S.

ORDER. No. 541, D. 14 April 1898.
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the S.G. will be ~~instructed~~
that ~~arrange~~ in future the advice
of despatch of medical stores
for Minicoy ~~shall be~~ sent to
the Supt. Insp. Light Service, Colombo
so that if there is any delay,
matters can be ~~settled~~ with
the Customs authorities.

2. The offer of the Ceylon Govt.
to refund the price realised
by the sale of the ~~redistributed~~
will be accepted.

MK
To the S.G. (a ro) 5/4/98
- - A.G. (a ro) 22/4/98.
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Letter. No. 542, D. 14.4.98.
To the Hon. the Colonial Secy

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