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[Despatch Abstract.]

Passing orders on letter from Mr
W. M. Sherburne J.C.S. regarding the
large number of inaccuracies
in the ~~the~~ Quarterly Civil Lists.

29/8/99

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CURRENT No. 1880

No. 4

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SUBJECT,

Drawing the attention
 of Govt. to the general
 inaccuracy of the
 quarterly civil list
 and to the excessive
 delay in its publication

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N^o 4 District & Sessions Court,
Hernool,
29th June 1899.

From, W. M. Thorburn Esq.,
District & Sessions Judge,
Hernool.

To,
The Chief Secretary to
Government,
Public Department.

Sir,
I beg to invite the
attention of Government to
the general inaccuracy of
the Quarterly Civil list, and
the excessive delay in its
publication. I can remember
when it came out in the
first week of the month.
Even a few years ago it came
out in the second. Now it
never comes out before the
third week, and generally
not till the very end of the
month. The increased consump-
-tion of time in preparation

has not, however, resulted in any increase of accuracy.

2. In the last number (79) there are two errors relating to myself and several others relating to the Kurnool District.

On page 293 I am shown "in transit" on 1st April, though I took Charge of this District on 30th March. On page 216 my name does not appear as Deputy Trustee, but instead of it the name of Inspector Mencaud, who was appointed to act during my absence from time to time, as Additional Sessions Judge of Behary.

In the List of Marriage Registrars on page 218, the District Magistrate is entered as Registrar, though Mr. R. N. Bigwood, Attorney, was appointed in August 1894, and still holds the office.

On page 293, Rev. H. G. Downes is entered as "clergyman", though he left India permanently in

1894

3. On page 395 etc the Precedence List of 1877 is retained, though the new list was published in the Gazette in February.

4. The list of Municipal Councils & District Boards & Quarries with errors, many of them obvious even to persons without local knowledge. For instance, there is no mention of the Chairman of the Ootacamund Municipal Council. And the Kurnool Municipal Council has apparently five elected Chairmen, one of whom is also Chairman at Bellary. Two others are persons unknown in Kurnool. And ^{one} is really the last appointed Councillor.

5. On the title-page Corrections are invited, but I have found that little or no attention is paid to such as may be sent.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Wm. Thorburn
District & Sessions Judge

Public (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 2201

From

The Accountant General

Order

No. G. 670
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Dated 8th August 1899

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SUBJECT.

*Explaining certain
inaccuracies in, and the
cause of the delay in the
first issue of, the Quarterly
Civil List.*

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Note of inaccuracies

Para 2 of Mr Thorburn's ^{letter} The certificate of transfer of charge of Mr Thorburn reporting the date on which he assumed charge of his duties as Kurnool was received in the Department on the 5th April 1899 and delivered to the Civil List clerk on the 6th idem. On this date, the final proof of the Civil List for April 1899 was sent to the Press: hence the omission to score out the words "In transit" in the List for April 1899.

The list of Lay Trustees is revised by the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras and he has not shown Mr Thorburn's name in the list sent to this office. Mr Thorburn should therefore address the Archdeacon on the subject.

The list of Marriage ^{and} Registrars is compiled from the list received from the Registrar General of births, deaths and marriages and Mr Bigwood's name does not appear in that list.

Rev. H. G. Downie's name will be omitted

in the next issue of the list.

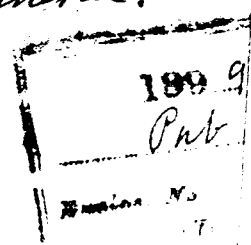
Para 3 of the letter. The new Precedence list has been entered in the last issue of the list.

Para 4 of the letter. The name of the Chairman of the Municipal Council, Ootacamund was not mentioned by the collector of Nilgiris in the list of Municipal Councils received for April 1899. It is however shown in the Collector's list corrected up to 1st July 1899.

The mistakes in the Kurnool Municipal Council list have been corrected in the collector's list for July 1899.

Para 5 of the letter. It has always been the practice of this office to take immediate steps to rectify the mistakes pointed out, if any and there are no instances in which attention was not paid to the requests of Officers.

W. C. Ray
Asst. Accountant General.



CURRENT No.

Gazetted Audit DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,

Accountant-General's Office,

No. $\frac{9670}{5012}$ 8th August 1899.

From

J. Herbert Biggs Esq.,

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department.

SIR,

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I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your endorsement No. 1776 dated 7th ultimo in a letter from Mr. Thorburn, District and Sessions Judge, Kurnool regarding inaccuracies in, and delay in the issue of the Quarterly Civil List.

2. With regard to the former a note is attached explaining them.

3. With regard to the delay I have the honour to state that this has been partly due to the 20th of the month preceding the quarter having been fixed by my predecessor.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Arthur Tappan
Accountant General.

St Judge of Kurnool

C. No. *H880* From *the H. M. Thorburn Esq ICS,*, No. *4*, dated *29 - 6 - 1899*

" *2201* " *the Accountant General,* "*G. 670*, "*8 - 8 - 1899*
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Order
No. 9498726-8-88

The foregoing letter from the Accountant General will be communicated to Mr. Thorburn with reference to his letter N^o 4, dated the 29th June 1899. read above.

2. The Accountant General will be requested to issue a circular drawing the attention of all officers, who furnish him with ~~information~~^{information} for the Quarterly Civil List, to the inaccuracies brought to notice by Mr Thorburn and pointing out to them the necessity for the prompt ~~supplying~~^{supplying} of ~~absolutely~~ correct information for embodiment.

in the publication.

3. The Govt is glad to observe that steps have been taken by the Accountant General to ensure the prompt issue of the bill list and it trusts that the delay which has ~~been permitted~~ to occur in the past will not recur in future.

[Faint handwritten notes and signatures on the left margin, including "Cul", "25/8/99", and "J. M. Thorburn Esq"]

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