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[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing the Director,
Geological Survey of India, that the meteorite
which fell at Kodakanal is the property
of a private individual, that this
post has no power to order its trans-
mission to his office.

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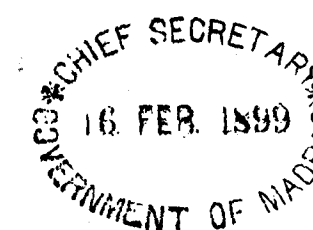
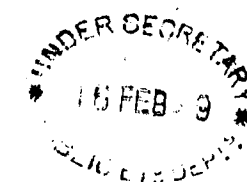
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From

*The Govt. Astronomer,
Madras.*

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SUBJECT.

*Pointing out that the nucleus
does not belong to the Govt.
astronomer and he has no
power to dispose of it.*

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THE OBSERVATORY,
NUNGUMBAKUM.

Madras, 11th February 1899.

FROM

THE GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER,

Madras.

TO

The Honble Mr. G. Stokes,
Chief Secretary to Government.

SIR,

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With reference to G.O. of the 11th instant, R.no. 223, Public, I have the honor to point out that the meteorite in question does not belong to us and I have no power to dispose of it in the manner proposed.

2. The meteorite is the property of a private individual and was found on his own ground, as I told Mr. Mollau who admitted that the Geological Department had no legal claim to it.

3. At the same time the owner of the meteorite is quite willing to sell it for a reasonable price, ^{and} with his permission I made the first offer to the Geological Survey though I knew that he could get more for it elsewhere.

4. Under these circumstances it will be evident to Government that I have nothing to do with the meteorite in my official capacity and that as a private individual

C. Minnie Smith
Govt. Astronomer.

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The Circular letter of 1885 from the Govt. of India was communicated to Collector of D.D., Supdt. Govt. Museum and to the Rev. Secy.

Orders are requested
as to whether these officers
should be asked to
report if their instructions
of the G. O. I Circular
are being ~~observed~~.

The Director
 Geological Survey
 he told simply that the
 meteorite is the fragment
 of a simple, spherical
 iron is willing to sell it
 the Dir. can then negotiate
 for its introduction in the
 London ~~to~~ to be in

20.2.55. Sect
Submitted. This may
be done. As a matter of
fact, the Director already
knows this, having been so
informed by Mr. Michie Smith
before the present correspondence.
Mr. 21/2/55

wrong fellow
finally. Please draft

S/Sr

C. No. 531 From the Soc. astronomer, No 43, dated 14.2.1897.

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The following letter
will be despatched to
the Director Geological Survey
of India

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 22.2.99

Letter. ^{copy} no 253 of 1-3
 2000m. Simlata, Garo Hills
 Survey of India

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In reply to your
letter no. 17 dated 10th
January 1899, I am
directed to state that
the meteorite to which
you refer is the
property of a private

Issue
on
23/12/24

OK
22.2.87

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