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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1894	Press / Mis.
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Dated 17—10— 1860.	

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No. 283. Read the following letter from W. GREY, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, 1st October 1860, No. 2,155 :—

SIR,

1. With reference to your letter No. 1,560, dated the 10th ultimo, I am directed to inquire what number of one Anna Bill Stamps were contained in the box received at Madras. If there is any probability of the quantity being speedily exhausted, I am to suggest that timely application should be made to the Secretary of State for a further supply.

2. A copy of a Despatch addressed by the Government of India to the Secretary of State on the 1st ultimo, submitting a supplementary indent for adhesive Stamps is herewith sent for the information of the Governor in Council.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

SEPARATE REVENUE.

No. 24 of 1860.

To the Right Honorable SIR CHARLES WOOD, Bart., G.C.B., Secretary of State for India, dated Fort William, 1st September 1860.

SIR,

1. An opinion having been recently given by the Advocate General that although more than one adhesive Stamp may be used upon a Foreign Bill of Exchange under the new Stamp Law in order to make up the value of the Stamp required to be impressed, yet that it is necessary that the aggregate value of the Stamps used should be by some means denoted upon them by the Revenue Authorities, we beg to state that it is of importance that a supply of *all* the denominations of adhesive Bill Stamps included in our indent of the 28th of June,* should be sent out simultaneously, as the practical difficulty of giving effect to the Advocate General's view would be very great.

* *Separate Revenue letter to Secretary of State, No. 15 of* 1860, *dated the 28th June.*

2. We find it necessary also to make the following additions to our indent :—

12 Rupees	... ...	2,00,000 Stamps.
18 „	... ...	2,00,000 „
24 „	... ...	2,00,000 „

to be sent to the three Presidencies by the Overland route in the proportions already indicated, *viz.*, two fourths to Calcutta, and one fourth to Madras and Bombay respectively.

3. We have determined to suspend, by a short Bill, the operation of the new Stamp law, so far as it relates to Bills of Exchange, not being payable on demand, until the 1st of January 1861, and we trust that before that date the Stamps indented for in our letter of the 28th of June will reach India.

4. We take the opportunity of mentioning that the new Stamp Act, which is generally applicable to the whole of the British Territories in India, will not be extended to the Straits, pending the decision of the question respecting the transfer of the Government of those Settlements from the India to the Colonial Office.

(Signed) CANNING.
(„) H. B. E. FRERE.
(„) CECIL BEADON.

No. 284. ORDER THEREON, 17th October 1860, No. 1,894.

This letter and its enclosure will be forwarded to the Board of Revenue for early report on the subject of the first paragraph.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

No 2155

From W. Grey Esqre
Secy to the Govt of India

To
J. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secy to the Govt of
Fort St. George

Dated Fort William the 1st October 1860

Home Department

Home Dept.
Sep Revr.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 1560 dated the 10th Ultimo I am directed to inquire what number of one anna Bill Stamps were contained in the box received at Madras. If there is any probability of the quantity being speedily exhausted I am to suggest that timely application should be made to the Secretary of State for a further supply.

2 A copy of a Despatch addressed by the Government of India to the Secretary of State on the 1st Ultimo submitting a supplementary indent for adhesive Stamps is herewith sent for the information of the Governor in Council.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your Most Obed Servt

Secretary to the Govt of India

No 17th August 60 No. 195-196
" 1st Sept. 60 No 13-14-
" 10th Sept. 60 No 150-151.

Copy in a Letter to Govt.
of 9th Nov. 60 No. 124

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Revenue 1860 Dept.
Pres: of Govt for Octr.

No. 2264.

From the Secretary to the
Govt. of India.

Dated 1 } October 1860
Recd 15 }

1 Encl. Enquires what number of one anna Bill Stamps were contained in the Box received at Madras, and forwards copy of a Despatch to the Home Govt. Submitting a Supplementary Indent for additional Stamps.

From Bd of Rev. 22 Octr 60
No 2348 with 8 Encls to No 2080
From Govt of India 18th October 60
No 2405 with 3 Encls to No 2037
From Do 7/12 March 61 No 76 with Encls
Do 4th April 61 No 733
No 1894. 17th October.

With an order

No 1894.

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Fort St George
17th Octr 1860

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