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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

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## Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 7— 11— 1860.

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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 7th November* 1860.

No. 87. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th October 1860, No. 4,920 :—

Read the following letter from E. F. HARRISON, Esq., Superintendent of Stamps, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 18th October 1860, No. 206.

SIR,

1. With reference to the letter from this Office of the 10th August last, No. 69, I have the honor to forward herewith a statement of the Telegraph Stamps sold during the quarter ending 31st July 1860, and the quantity remaining in store with Collectors at the end of the quarter.

2. In the District of Ganjam alone have the sales been sufficient to deserve notice.

3. The Collector of Ganjam is of opinion that Stamps of two Rupees, of eight Annas and of one Anna would be convenient.

4. Looking to the limited number of Stamps of all values sold, I cannot recommend the preparation of any new denominations.

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*In Cons., 2nd August* 1860, *No.* 3,772.

1. Resolved that the above letter be submitted to Government with reference to their Order dated 1st August last, No. 1,281, Revenue Department.

2. The total value of the Telegraph Stamps supplied to this Presidency was Rupees 16,400, the sales in the first quarter ending 31st July last amounted to Rupees 198, leaving Stamps to the value of Rupees, 16,202, still on hand.

3. The sales in Ganjam amounted to Rupees 125½, in 11 other Districts they ranged from Rupees 1½ to Rupees 17¼, and in the remaining 8 Districts none at all were sold.

4. The Board do not consider that any conclusion can be drawn from the brief trial yet made, and indeed they apprehend that the advantages of these Stamps is not understood by the people. They cannot account except on the latter supposition, for no Stamps being sold in such Districts as Vizagapatam, North Arcot, South Arcot and Malabar.

5. The Board beg attention to paragraph 7 of their letter to Government dated 16th February 1860, No. 842, in which they expressed a hope that the use of these Stamps might be generally permitted instead of being restricted to places where there are no Telegraph Stations.

6. The Board concur with the Superintendent, that Stamps of other denominations than those now available need not yet be prepared specially for this Presidency, but if they have been made for the other Presidencies a supply might be sent here.

(A true Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

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Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

No. 88. From J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, to W. GREY, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, dated 6th November 1860, No. 2,057.

SIR,

*From Government of India, 25th November,* 1859, *No.* 2,354.
„ „ „ „ *14th July* 1860, *No.* 1,456.
*To* „ „ „ *16th August* „ *No.* 1,373.

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I am directed to forward for submission to the Government of India, copy of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, 25th October, No. 4,920, sending up a report by the Superintendent of Stamps on the sales of Telegraph Stamps during the quarter ending 31st July last.

2. The value of the supply received from Calcutta was Rupees 16,400 ; the sales throughout this Presidency up to end of July amounted to only Rupees 198, the largest sale was in Ganjam where Stamps to the value of Rupees 125½ were sold. The Board suggest that this small result is perhaps owing to the people not having understood the advantages of the Stamps.

3. I am to solicit the consideration of the Supreme Government to the recommendation of the Board that the use of Telegraph Stamps should be permitted at all places and not be restricted to places where there is not a Telegraph station.

4. This Government agree with the Board that other denominations than those already supplied are not yet necessary.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt.
Under date the 6th November 1860.

Read the following Recd. of the Board of Rev:

Submitting with remarks, a letter from the Supt. of Stamps reporting on the working of Telegraph Stamps during the quarter ending 31st July 1860.

Recd. under 25th Octr. 1860 No 2383.

Ordered that the proceedings be forwarded, with the following letter, to the Govt. of India No. 2057.

Copied
Dispatched

To

H. Grey. Esq.
Secy: to the Govt. of India
in the Home Dept.

Sir

With ref. to the correspondence noted in the margin, I am directed

Mem Govt. of India 25 Nov 59 No 2354.
" Letr. — 14 July 60 No 1755.
I. Letr. — 16 Aug. " No 1373

forward for submission to the Govt of India. copy of the Pers: of the Bd of Rev. 25 Oct: 1920 enclosing up a report by the Supt of Stamps on the sales of Telegraph Stamps during the quarter ending 31st July last.

2. The value of the supplied from Calcutta was Rs 16400. The sales throughout the Presy: up to end of July amounted to only Rs 198. The largest sale was ~~recurred~~ in Ganjam where stamps to the value of Rs 12 1/2 were sold. The Board suggest that this small result is perhaps owing to the people not having understood the advantages of the stamps.

3. I am to solicit the consideration of the Supreme Govt to the recommendation of the Board that the use of Telegraph stamps should be permitted and not be restricted to places where there is not a Telegraph station.

4. The Govt agree with the Board that other denominations than three already supplied are not yet necessary.

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Pro: of Govt for Nov.

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Pro: of the Madras Govt.
Dfd 6th November 1860.

Forwarding Boards Proceedings and the report of the Supt of Stamps on the Sales of Telegraph Stamps during the Quarter ending 31st July last.

No 87 & 88.

Sales of Telegraph Stamps

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10-12-59

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31-12-59

20-21

10-3-60

32-33

20-4-60

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30-4-60

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30-4-60

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13-8-60

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