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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No. 20. Read the following letter from J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government; dated 16th February 1860, No. 842.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of the Proceedings of Government, dated 10th December 1859, R. D., No. 1666, calling for their opinion as to the mode of distributing the Telegraph Stamps received from Calcutta, the persons to whom they should be entrusted for sale, and the further regulations (if any) necessary for carrying out the views of the Government of India.

In Consultation, 12th December 1859, *No.* 6181.

2. The Board have communicated with the Superintendent of Stamps, and his letter on the subject is enclosed herein.

Dated 29th in Consultation 29th December 1859, *No.* 6476.

3. The Board direct me to append a list of the places at which they deem it desirable that these Stamps should be sold. There are probably others at which it would be advisable to open places of sale, and the Board's apportionment of the Stamps is intended to admit of this being done by the Collectors, who will, of course, be instructed to report these arrangements to the Superintendent of Stamps.

4. Upon receipt of the periodical Reports, which, in the Board's opinion, should reach Government through the Superintendent of Stamps, that Officer will be able to suggest such transfers of stock, and other modifications as experience may show to be necessary. He will also be enabled thus to regulate his indents for further supplies of Stamps from Calcutta.

5. The rules proposed by the Government of India, appear to the Board to be good and sufficient for the purpose.

6. The Board think that the proper persons to be entrusted with the sale of the Stamps in question are the Cash-keepers at the Húzur stations, and the authorised venders of postage Stamps in the táluq Kach'haŕis, from whom engagements should be taken not to charge more than the sum for which each kind of Stamp is intended to pass.

7. The Board have omitted Telegraph stations from their list, in accordance with the instructions of the Government of India. The new stamps will, however, be so convenient, that they trust their use will shortly be generally permitted, in substitution of money payments.

Districts.	Places of Sale.	4 Annas Stamps.	1 Rupee Stamps.	4 Rupees Stamps.
Chingleput	Chingleput	200	200	40
	Conjeveram			
North Arcot	Chittore	400	400	80
	Arcot			
	Wallajapetta			
	Ambúr			
	Palmanair			
South Arcot	Cuddalore	400	400	80
	Porto Novo			
Tanjore	Tanjore	400	400	80
	Combaconum			
	Tranquebar	400	400	80
Cuddapah	Cuddapah	400	400	80
Madura	Madura	400	400	80
	Dindigal			
Tinnevelly	Palamcottah	400	400	80
	Tuticorin	200	200	40
Kurnool	Nundial	400	400	80
Krishna District	Guntoor	600	600	120
	Ellúr			
Godavery do.	Coringa	400	400	80
	Samalcottah			
Ganjam	Russellkondá	400	400	80
	Mansurcotta			
Vizagapatam	Bimlipatam	600	600	120
	Vizianagram			
Coimbatore	Coimbatore	600	600	120
	Caroor			
	Conoor			
	Jackatallá			
Malabar	Manantádi	600	600	120
	Tellicherry			
	Beipur			
	Palghat			
North Canara	Honore	400	400	80
	Sirci			
	Kumpla	400	400	80
South Canara	Mangalore	400	400	80
Salem	Salem	400	400	80
	Vaniembady			
	Hosur			
Bellary	Adoni	400	400	80
	Rámandúrg			
	Hindupur			
Trichinopoly	Trichinopoly	400	400	80
Nellore	Eskapalli	200	200	40

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

No. 21. ORDER THEREON, 2nd March 1860, No. 335.

The Government approve the proposed distribution of the Telegraph stamps, and request that, on the receipt of those stamps, the Superintendent may be instructed to furnish them accordingly to the several Collectors.

2. The Board will also instruct the Collectors to the effect mentioned in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the letter from the Government of India dated 25th November last, and require them to submit the report indicated in paragraph 4 of the same letter through the Superintendent of Stamps.

3. The Board will notify in the Official Gazette the arrangements made for the sale of Telegraph stamps, and instruct the Collectors to make a similar publication in their District Gazettes.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

IN CON. 29TH DECEMBER 1859, No. 6476.

From W. WATERFIELD, Esq., Acting Superintendent of Stamps,
dated Fort St. George, 29th December 1859, No. 241.

Dated 21st December 1859.

I regret that I am unable to give with any confidence an opinion on the subject of the Board's order, No. 5323. I have not indeed any knowledge officially of the position of telegraph lines and stations, much less any statistical information as to the districts from which messages are most frequently sent. Of course I can conceive that a demand for stamps might arise in districts like Coimbatore* where there are many European residents, or Trichinopoly† where large bodies of troops are quartered; but I should only speak at random without making any practical suggestions.

* Ootacamund being the only telegraph station there.

† I do not see any station advertised in that zillah.

2. It appears to be the intention of Government, that these stamps are not to be received from parties residing in the neighbourhood of the telegraph stations; but unless some order be issued to prohibit this, such persons will probably procure them with a view to security and facility of despatch (to say nothing of the discount on the purchase,) in the same way that postage stamps are preferred to money payments on letters.

3. I would therefore notify that no stamped message would be received at a telegraph office, unless it came thither through the post: and with this proviso, I would make known in the Gazette, that I am prepared to supply stamps to all Collectors and residents who require them. Each officer would then indent as he ascertains the wants of his district.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

R. D.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 2nd March 1860.

Read the following

letter from the Secretary to

the Board of Revenue

Submitting with the Board's opinion a letter from the Superintendent of Stamps reporting as to the mode of distributing the Telegraph Stamps received from Calcutta and appending a list of the places at which they deem it desirable that these stamps should be sold.

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Enclosure in a letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue to the Govt to Government dated 10th February 1860 № 242.

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Letter from the Secretary Superintendent of Stamps to the Board of Revenue dated 29th December 1859 № 241. regarding Telegraph Stamps.

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