

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2191

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
20th November 1861.*

No. 207. Read the following letter from H. D. SANDEMAN, Esq., Officiating Civil Pay Master, to C. H. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort William, 12th September 1861, No. 284:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 10,859, calling attention to the Financial Resolution of the 10th July last, on the subject of supplying Stamps to stations far from the Presidencies or Sudder Stations.

2. No reply was before sent to the Resolution, as I did not understand that a report was required from this office, which has no means of knowing how the Stamp Act is working, nor indeed is it in any way connected with the question.

3. It appears to me that the only way to meet the complaints which the Supreme Government believe to exist, is to encourage Stamp Venders as much as possible in all parts of the country.

4. This might be done in many ways, for instance—

5. In large towns; Bankers or respectable Shopkeepers, such as Booksellers, Buncceas, or others, might be found who would be willing to undertake the sale, not so much for the sake of the commission allowances, as to add to their own credit, or attract customers to their wares, and a discretionary power might be allowed generally to Collectors to permit any respectable man in town or village to keep Stamps for sale, and it would very probably be requisite in the first instance even to solicit parties to keep them for sale, until experience had proved to them the indirect advantages of so doing.

6. The Stamp Vender should, on purchase of the Stamps, be required to pay cash minus the amount $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. commission to which he is entitled, and it would, I think, be unadvisable to permit Government servants connected with the Police to be Venders.

7. This is, I believe, the plan upon which Postage and Receipt Stamps are sold in Great Britain, and would appear to recommend itself as being free from all difficulty of account on the one hand, and likely to be popular if kept out of the hands of Government Officers unless it be Deputy Collectors or other Sub-Divisional Officers.

Fort William, Financial Department, the 10th October 1861, No. 12,637.

Ordered that a copy of the above letter from the Civil Pay Master, Bengal, be forwarded to the Governments of Madras, Bombay, the North West Provinces, Bengal and Punjab, for consideration of the suggestion made in paragraphs 4 to 6, and for a report of their views thereon.

By Order of the Governor in Council,

(Signed) C. H. LUSHINGTON,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 208.

ORDER THEREON, 20th November 1861, No. 2,191.

Referred to the Board of Revenue for their remarks.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

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Off. Civil Paymaster -

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Thos. St George
20 Long St
L. R. Sec

4th March 1861
Capt. St George

Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the proposed amendment to the charter of the Corporation of the City of New York, and in reply to inform you that the same has been referred to the Committee on the subject, and will be reported to the next Session of the Board of Aldermen.

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