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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 2422 Press Mis.

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Dated 15 — 11 — 19 1862

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No. 185. Read the following letter from the Honorable E. DRUMMOND, Secretary to the Government of India (Financial Department), to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, Council Chamber, the 27th September 1862, No. 707G:—

SIR,

1. I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1,672, dated the 6th ultimo, submitting, with reference to the orders from this Department, dated the 17th June last, further explanations respecting some of the arrangements arising out of the recent revision of the Stamp Department at Madras.

2. In reply, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General in Council is of opinion that sufficient grounds have not been shown for any alteration of his previous decision in regard to the proposed increase to the Mint Master's salary. The arrangement made by the Madras Government, whereby the impression of the Value Stamp on Stamp Paper is given in the Mint, appears to His Excellency in Council to be appropriate and should not be altered, as would seem to be contemplated in the 8th paragraph of your letter. The additional duty is one which, His Excellency considers, may very legitimately be imposed on an Establishment like the Madras Mint, in which the work proper of the Mint is not excessive, and His Excellency in Council can see no adequate ground for giving the Mint Master an increase to his salary on this account.

3. As regards the *Establishments* for impressing the Value Stamp and Counter-Stamp, I am directed to state that, under the circumstances now urged, His Excellency in Council is pleased to sanction the scale proposed in your former letter, the whole involving an aggregate additional expenditure of Rupees 1,105-9-4 per mensem, and to allow the arrangement to have retrospective effect from the 1st September 1861.

	Present.	Proposed.
Superintendent of Stamps	166 10 8	1,000 0 0
His Office Establishment, including the Counter-Stamping Department	753 0 0	902 0 0
Establishment for impressing the Value Stamp.....	93 12 0	222 0 0
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4. The explanations contained in the last two paragraphs of your letter are accepted.

Copy of the above letter, and of the one to which it is a reply, forwarded to the Officiating Auditor General of India, to the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Madras, and to the Civil Paymaster, Madras, for information, in continuation of letter of the 17th June last.

No. 186. ORDER THEREON, 15th November 1862, No. 2,422.

1. Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue, together with copy of the letter to which this is a reply.

2. The Superintendent of Stamps and the Mint Master will adopt measures in communication with the Civil Paymaster for the speedy adjustment of advances paid to them for the payment of their establishments from and after September 1862.

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

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Intimating that the Governor General in Council is of opinion that sufficient grounds have not been shewn for any alteration of his previous decision in regard to the proposed increase to the Mint Master's salary, but has sanctioned the scale of Establishment proposed for improving the Value Stamp and Counter Stamps.

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