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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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10th June 1863.*

Read the following letters:—

No. 163. From G. A. BALLARD, Esq., Collector of Malabar, to Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Calicut, 28th March 1863, No. 28.

SIR,

1. Adverting to Mr. Pelly's letter to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Calicut, 25th September 1861, reporting on the requirements of the Postal Department of this District, I have the honor to enclose copy

From Inspecting Post Master, dated 22nd April 1862.
To Officiating Post Master General, dated 24th do.
From Post Master General, dated 17th May 1862.
To do. dated 7th June "
From do. dated 8th July "

of a correspondence with the Post Master General as per margin, by which it will be seen

that although the former general postal line from Calicut to Vaniakollom viâ Mulliapuram was discontinued, and another line from Parparangadi to Mulliapuram only, opened in April last, no arrangement was made to keep up the communication between Vaniakollom and Angadipooram.

2. As a matter of emergency my predecessor entertained six extra Peons at Rupees 4 each per month, as per margin, in view to supply this omission. The subject was brought to the notice of the Post Master General, but that

2 Runners from 1st May 1862.
4 Do. do. 6th do.

Officer considered the arrangement a purely District Postal one, and therefore stated that application should be made to Mr. Pelly.

3. I accordingly addressed Mr. Pelly on the subject, but he writes in reply that if it has been necessary to entertain temporarily any Establishment consequent on changes in the general post routes, I should submit my application to Government through the usual channel for sanction of the cost.

4. By the scheme embraced in the Statement which accompanied Mr. Pelly's letter to Government, dated 25th September 1861, above adverted to, it was contemplated that this line of communication should be taken up by the General Post Department; and as no provision for a *District Post* on the said line appears to have been made in his report to Government, dated 20th March 1862, No. 1,210, an extract of which was forwarded to me with his letter dated 1st December last, I have the honor to request you will be good enough to obtain the necessary sanction for the pay of the six Peons at Rupees 4 per month each, referred to from 1st May 1862 up to such date as their services may be continued.

Transferred to the Revenue Department.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,

Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

10th April 1863.

No. 164. From A. C. BURNELL, Esq., Assistant for the Collector of Malabar, absent in the District, to C. G. MASTER, Esq., Deputy Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Calicut, 8th May 1863, No. 48.

SIR,

1. With reference to your Official Memorandum, dated 17th ultimo, No. 76, I have the honor to forward a sketch plan, showing the District Post lines referred to in my letter dated 28th March last, No. 28.

2. It will be observed that I have also shown in the said sketch the old line of the regular postal road from Ponany to Chowghât alluded to in my letter of the 11th ultimo, No. 35A.

No. 165. ORDER THEREON, 10th June 1863, No. 1,011.

1. The Collector of Malabar reports that the Post Master General has discontinued the postal line from Calicut to Vaniakollom, thereby cutting off all communication between the latter place, Cherpulcherry and Angadipooram. These places though of local importance are not such as should be provided for by the Regular Postal Department; and so the late Post Master General declined to make arrangements to keep up any portion of the old line, which was superseded by the extension of the Railway to Beypore. Mr. Grant the late Collector therefore entertained

Angadipooram and Cherpulcherry

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six Runners at 4 Rupees each per month as a matter of emergency, and Mr. Ballard requests sanction for the expenditure from 1st May 1862 up to the date to which their services may be continued.

2. Under the circumstances stated, the Government approve the employment of the runners in anticipation of sanction; but this step ought to have been at once reported to them. They now authorize the Civil Paymaster to pass the expenditure from 1st May 1862 pending the confirmation of the Government of India, to whom an application will be sent in due course.

3. The Government, having carefully considered the papers submitted by Mr. Ballard and the sketch plan received with the Assistant Collector Mr. Burnell's Memorandum, dated 8th May 1863, are of opinion that permanent provision should be made for the communication between the places alluded to. The Honorable Mr. Pelly has not included this line in his general

scheme now before the Government of India, presuming* apparently that the General Post Department would, even after the extension of the Railway to Beypore, continue the

services of the runners on that portion of the Vaniakollom and Calicut Post line which is between Mulliapuram and Vaniakollom. But as that Department has declined to do so, Mr. Pelly will be requested to provide for the line in question, permanently, and to submit a supplemental tabular Statement in the prescribed form, and with full information on all necessary points, for transmission to the Government of India. The rates of salary and the stages for the runners should be the same as those provided for in the general scheme.

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

* Vide paragraphs 125, 129 and 130 of Mr. Pelly's remarks regarding the District Dak Establishment of each District submitted with his letter, dated 20th March 1862, No. 1,210.

N^o 2822.

Camp Ootacamund ✓
(1) 23rd April 1862.

To P. Grant Esqre
Collector of Malabar
Calicut.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the Post Master General has ordered the Dy. Postmaster of Malliapuram to dismiss the Runners on the line from Calicut to Waniacolum and to post men on the line from Parpenangaddy to Malliapuram for conveying the mail to and from that station.

I have &c

Signed J. Hodges

Inspecting Postmaster Ootacamund

Palghat, 24th April 1862.

(2)

To Lieutenant Colonel Pears
Officiating Post Master General
Madras.

Sir,

I am informed by the Inspecting Post Master of Ootacamund Division, that you have directed the Deputy Post Master of Malapooram to dismiss the Runners on the line from Calicut to Waniacolum, & to post men on the line from Parpenangaddy to Malapooram for conveying the mail to & from that station.

2. The dismissal of Runners on the former line will at once stop all communication between Angadepooram and Cherpukeery

as well as between the latter station and Waniacollum. The first named place has only two District post Pons, and the other stations Cherpulcherry & Waniacollum have but one Pon each. These hands are hardly sufficient even for their legitimate duties - i.e. distributing letters &c within the town & its immediate neighbourhood.

3. Angadipuram, the Cusba of the Walluvand Talug, lies 11 miles distant from Cherpulcherry, and the latter, 10 miles from Waniacollum.

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The Services of the District Post Pon by no means be made available for the conveyance of letters to such distances.

4. There are, it may be argued, 4 Pons at Manjeri, but they are absolutely required for the distribution of letters not only for the inhabitants of that town and its vicinity, but also at the Stations marginally indicated, the distances of which, it will be observed, vary from 10 to 20 miles.

* Distant from Malappuram	
6 miles	
Distance from Manjeri	
Conditly	16.
Kriassadu	14.
Wandorn	15.
Eddawanah	18.
Stollambur	20.
Shambat	14.

5. Under these circumstances, I shall feel obliged by your informing me what measures you purpose adopting in order to ensure communication between the Stations above mentioned, as otherwise all communication between those stations and Calicut will also be stopped.

Pending the carrying out of any arrangement which you may deem advisable to make in view to meeting the exigency of the case, I have thought it expedient, as a temporary measure, to entertain six

Extra

At Angadipuram - 2
Cherpulcherry - 2
Waniacollum - 2
6.

Extra Pons as noted in the margin but they may be dispensed with as soon as possible.

An early reply is requested.

I have &c

Signed/ P. Grant

Collector

Camp Ootacamund

17th May 1862.

N^o 16.

To The Collector

Malabar.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo N^o 2173, and in reply to state that I have directed the Inspecting Post Master, Canara Division to arrange for the abolition of the runner line between Perpenagady and Malliapuram and to open a line between the Railway point nearest Variancolum and Malliapuram, passing thro' Variancolum, Cherpulcherry and Angadipuram.

You state that the line should begin at Pattamby in order to pass thro' Variancolum &c but from a reference to the Map Pattamby does not appear to me to be the most eligible point. I have therefore instructed the Inspecting Postmaster to place himself in communication with you

and

Postmaster General

(4) Manjeri 7th June 1862

To, R. H. Williamson Esq.
Post Master General.

Madras.

2. The former general post line of communication from Calicut to Vaniakollum passed thro' Kundoti, Malliapuram, Angadipuram and Cherpu-
cherry. In the Honble Mr. Pelly's letter to Government under date the 25th September 1861 on the subject of the general revision of the District Post Establish-
ment of Malabar he suggested, that on the opening of the Railway from Beypore to Palghat, this line should be given up, and in lieu of it two others substituted, vizt one from Malliapuram thro' the Sub Magistrate's station at Tiruvengaddi to the Railway station at Parpanangaddy,

And

Ms. 2173.

5. But by a letter from Mr. Grant to the Inspecting Post Master at Botetown dated 28th December last, I find that he suggested as a desirable measure, the removal of the Port of Botetown to Pottamby, with the object of establishing a general Post office on the Railway line in a central position.

For

for South Malabar, letters would be received there from Palghat and all stations to the East, for Calicut, Ponany, and all stations to the Northward Wynad included, for Angadipuram Manjeri Malliapuram and other stations in Central Malabar, & for Tirtalla, Kunnaecolum, Chougat and Cochin; most of which places would get their letters several hours earlier than by the existing arrangements. Mr. Grant explained that the only change in the lines which would be necessary would be to divert the runners between Chougat and Ponany and place them on the line between Chougat and Kunnaecolum, Tirtalla and Pattamby; the former line being 16 and the latter 23 miles.

With reference to this communication the Inspecting Post Master under your instructions dated 26th January 1862 No. 5122 called for certain information relative to the number of letters received and despatched from Pattamby thro' the District Post in the month of December. This was accordingly furnished under date the 1st March last, but nothing definite has since transpired in connection with the suggestion from Mr. Grant above quoted.

In the 2nd para. of your letter under acknowledgment, reference is made to a line beginning at Pattamby, and passing thro' Vaniakollum &c. as having been recommended by Mr. Grant, but it does not seem to me that his proposition contemplated the giving up

The mail from Calicut to Malliapuram via Parpanangadi would occupy about 6 1/2 hours whereas the one via Pattamby - 13 - Difference - 6 1/2 -

Pattamby to Cherpulcherry - 12. Angadipuram - 11. Malliapuram - 12. Miles - 35

of the present communication along a line of 17 miles between the Railway Station at Parpanangadi and Malliapuram, and the substitution of Runners on a line more than double that distance between the Railway Station at

Pattamby and Malliapuram - I am decidedly of opinion that the existing line of communication between Parpanangadi and Malliapuram should remain undisturbed, and be produced to Manjeri the Kaska and Tahsilदार's station of Ennad Taluk, and that the communication between Vaniakollum, thro' the Sub Magistrate's station at Cherpulcherry & Angadipuram the Kaska of the Valluvana Taluk, as suggested by the Honble Mr. Pelly, should be continued also.

There being no Railway station at Vaniakollum the Receiving Office for letters should be changed to Wattapallium (the next nearest station) - The distance to Angadipuram would be as follows -

Wattapallium to Vaniakollum - Miles 2 1/2. Vaniakollum to Cherpulcherry - " - 10. Cherpulcherry to Angadipuram - " - 11. 23 1/2.

I have furnished the Inspecting Post Master General Division with a copy of this letter -

I have, &c. Signed / G. A. Ballard. Collector.

No 1627. (5) Madras Post Master Genl's Office
8th July 1862.

To,
The Collector of Malabar.

Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 7th June 1862, No 2685.

I find that the arrangements contemplated in Mr Grant's letter No 2173 of the 24th April 1862, have been misunderstood in this office.

I shall immediately countermand the orders issued to the Inspecting Post Master Canara Division in my communication No 17th May last, for the abolition of the line between Perpenangadi and Malliapuram and opening of the line between the Rail-
way point nearest to Vaniacollum and Malliapuram thro' Cherpulcherry and Angadipuram and direct the continuance of the first named line -

The arrangements desired by you for connecting Malliapuram with Manjeri and Quad Talook and for keeping up communication between Angadipuram Cherpulcherry and Vaniacollum are
I find purely District Post Arrangements, and under present circumstances it appears to me that you should apply to the Honorable Mr Pelly on the subject -

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An experimental Post Office is about to be opened at Puttambay but I have determined that the mails for Cochin should diverge at Shoranor. which is 7 1/4 miles east of Puttambay.

I have &c

Signed/ R. A. Williamson
Post Master General.

(True Copies)

C. A. M. A. S.
Collector.

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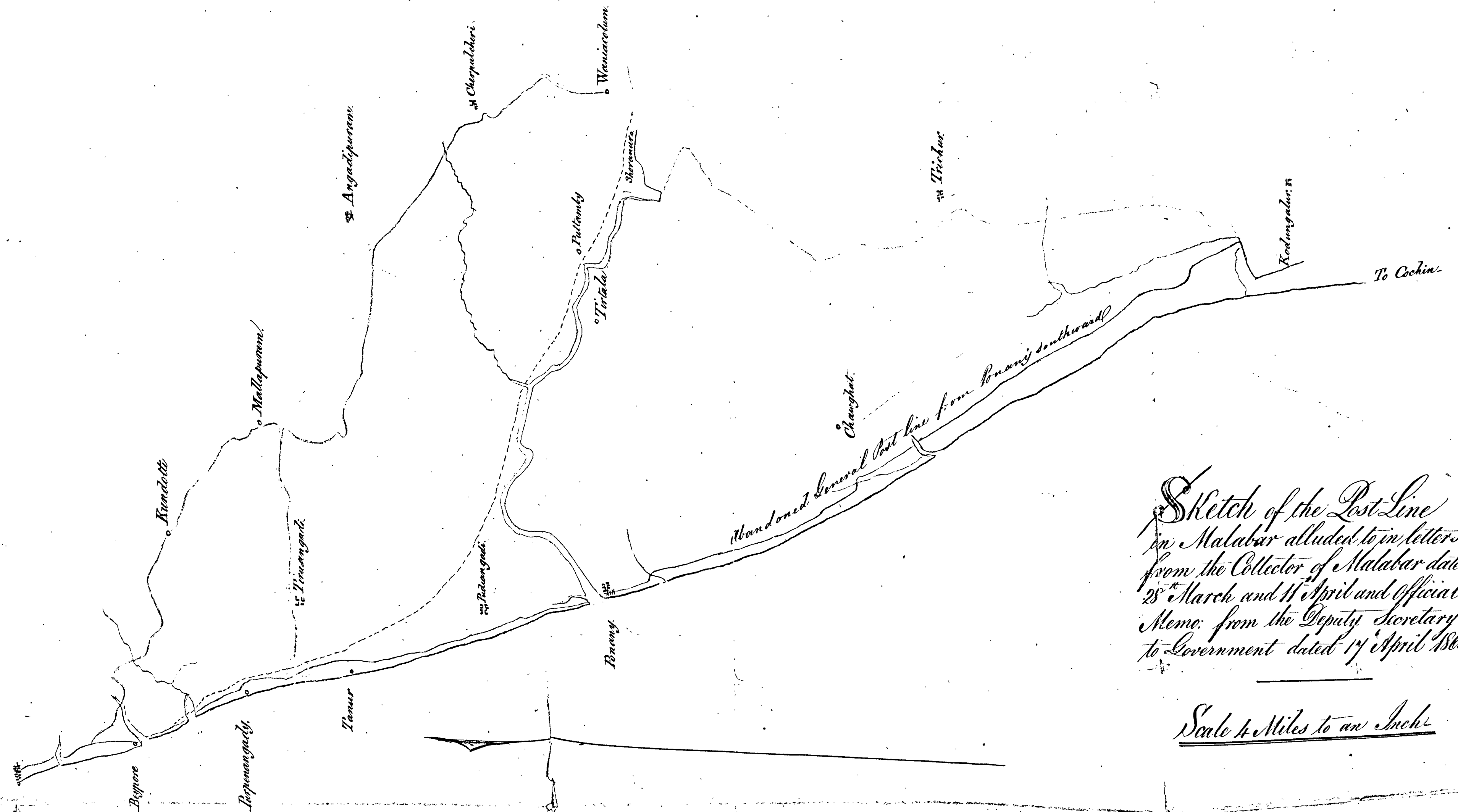
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Copy of 5 letters enclosed
to in the above letter.

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*Sketch of the Post Line
in Malabar alluded to in letters
from the Collector of Malabar dated
28th March and 11 April and Official
Memo. from the Deputy Secretary
to Government dated 17 April 1863.*

Scale 4 Miles to an Inch.

- Green..... Abandoned General post line from Calicut to Waniacolum via Mattapuram.*
- Orange..... New General post line from Parpanangady to Mattapuram.*
- Yellow..... Ditto Ditto Shoranur to Cochin.*
- Yellow & Green..... New District line established by Collector from Waniacolum to Argadipuram.*

*A. C. Brownell
Asst. Collector.*

*Calicut
8th May 1863*

Rev. Secy.

N^o 1011.

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Under date the 10th June 1863,

Read the following letters
from the Collector of Malabar

Explaining the cir-
cumstances under which 8 Extra
runners at Rs 100 each per
Mensem were employed between
Vaniamolam and Angadipoor. Dated 28 March 1863.
-pam, and requesting that same
may be obtained for
their pay from 1st May 1862
up to such date as their services
may be continued.

Forwarding a sketch
Plan alluded to in his letter of 28th
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(Dated 8 May 1863)
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Vide paras 125-129 & 130 of Mr Pelly's
remarks regarding the District D.A. & Sub-
of each District submitted with his letter
4/20 March 1862 N° 1210.

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 To the Collector of Malabar, Cochin
 the Honorable Mr Pelly
 3 Asst. General
 2 Post Master General
 3 Asst. Paymaster

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J. 10. 2 June 1863.

From the, Government of
19. August 1863.

Challenging the
Civil Government to pay
the expenditure on the
account of the Postal
line between China
& London and England
sum pending settlement
of Chinese Govt.

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