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No. 327. Read the following letter from the Venerable T. DEALTRY, Archdeacon of Madras, to Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 30th December 1862, No. 421 :—

SIR,

With reference to the recent Order of Government, 1st December, No. 2,512, Revenue Department, pointing out that under Article 32 of Schedule A of Act X of 1862, certified copies of Registers of Births, Deaths and Marriages must be on Stamped paper of the value of 8 Annas per sheet, I have been requested by several of the Clergy to make the following inquiries :—

(1.) Are Non-Commissioned Officers and private Soldiers or Native Christians of small means, liable to the Tax ?

(2.) Must the paper be stamped *before* the writing of the Certificate or *afterwards* ? Or will it be sufficient to *affix* a Stamp of the value of 8 Annas ? Trusting that you will kindly give me the required information on these points.

No. 328. ORDER THEREON, 26th January 1863, No. 167.

1. The Venerable the Archdeacon will be informed that the question as to whether Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers are liable to the Stamp duty on Certificates has been referred to the Government of India, and that the decision of that Government when received will be duly made known. No special exemption can be made in favor of " Native Christians of small means."

2. He will also be informed in reply to the second question that the Certificates must be prepared on Stamped paper.

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

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The Archn of Madras
To, The Chief Secretary
to Government.
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Inquiring whether certain persons are exempt from the tax on Certificates & whether the Stamps must be affixed or altered

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Fort St George 26th Jany 1863

To The Ven. the Archdeacon of Madras &c &c &c

Ecclesiastical Dept
Board of Revenue
Ag. Regr of the diocese & Archdeaconry of Madras
Military Department

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