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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 3360 — Press Mis.

204-205

Dated 13 — 12 — 1866.

Not to be folded or roughly handled

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th December 1866.

No. 204. Read the following letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp, Ootacamund, 12th November 1866, No. 2,064 :—

1. I have the honor to request that all departmental correspondence carried on by our establishments may be franked within the range of the establishment, whether the establishment is working in one or in several districts.

2. By the new Postal arrangements, all departmental correspondence within a district is forwarded by a frank as hitherto. Several of our establishments, however, work in two different districts. The Officer in charge of the Salem District has also charge of a portion of South Arcot. The Officer in charge of the Annamallays (Coimbatore) has charge of the Chenat Nair forests (Malabar), and has several depôts in Malabar. Our Madura establishment has jurisdiction in Tinnevelly, and our Cuddapah establishment in North Arcot. By the present arrangement our Officers can only frank within the district in which they are, for instance the Deputy Conservator of Salem can only frank within the Salem District whilst he is in that district, and when he enters South Arcot he cannot frank into Salem. Duffadars, Gumastahs, and even Peons have to send constant reports to the Office of their establishments, many of these now have to be stamped, and I need hardly state that this must entail much extra expense to our establishments, besides confusion of accounts, inconvenience, and delay ; besides the placing of stamps in the hands of Duffadars and Peons is a temptation, and the labels are very likely to be lost or destroyed.

3. I enclose a letter* from the Officer in charge of the Salem District on the subject.

* No. 176, dated 8th November 1866.

No. 205. ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1866, No. 3,360.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government of India has recently ruled† that applications from this Government in behalf of Officers who wish to be included in the list of privileged Offices should be accompanied by a Statement " shewing for one or two months the number of letters addressed " to, and the number received from, unprivileged Offices, as well as the amount of " postage paid thereon by means of Service Stamps."

† 31st August, No. 4,168, in Public G. O. 17th September 1866, No. 738.

2. The Officiating Conservator is requested to forward such a Statement in reference to each of the Offices alluded to in the foregoing letter.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests.
,, the Public Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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31st Augt No 4166 in Public
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Offg Conservr Forests, Despatch
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From No. 4104

The Conservator of Forests,

To The Secretary to Govt
P. C.
Fort St. Geo.

Dated 12th } December 1864.
Received 15th }

No. 3960 13 Dec
No: 2164

Enclosure No. nil

Requesting sanction that all departmental correspondence carried on by the Forest Officers within the range of their respective Districts may be franked within the range of their respective Districts in one or in several sheets

Yrs &c
Conservator

From the Offg Conservator
of Forests 4/5 Dec 64
No 3206 dated 9th Dec
Rec'd 14th

No 2044 205