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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2037 - 38 Press Mis.

308-310.

Dated 16-12- No. 1870

Not to be folded or roughly handled

Read the following:—

No. 308. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th November 1870, No. 6,633

Read the following letter from the Superintendent of Stamps, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 7th November 1870, No. 2,939.

IN acknowledging the receipt to-day of the Order of Government noted in the margin, calling for an immediate report on the necessity of adapting any labels in store for use under the Court Fees' Act, pending the receipt, from England, of proper adhesive stamps for the purpose, I have the honour to state that, under the authority of the Government of India already given, foreign bill adhesive stamps, postage labels and adhesive share transfer stamps, are now used in conjunction with bicolour impressed stamps to meet the demand for Court Fee stamps. The quantities of each of the above descriptions of labels already converted* for use under the Court Fees' Act and those in store at present both in this office and in the Collectorate treasuries are shown in the subjoined Statement. No fresh sanction is, therefore, required from the Government of India for adapting any of the above adhesive stamps to Court Fee purposes. It will be seen that out of 15½ lacs of Rupees worth of them, converted for use as Court Fee stamps, upwards of 14 lacs are still unexpended and in store:—

Government Order, dated 3rd November 1870, No. 1,695.

Circular from Government of India, 3rd December 1869, No. 2,632, recorded in Government Order, 14th December 1869, No. 3,175.

Vide telegram from Government of India, recorded in Government Order, 25th April 1870, No. 670; also Notification from Government of India, 28th April 1870, No. 184, published at page 369 of the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, 10th May 1870.

	Rs.	A.	P.
* Foreign Bill Stamps converted into Court Fee Stamps ...	15,68,391	12	0
Transfer Stamps converted into do.	2,602	10	0
Postage Stamps converted into do.	4,760	0	0
Total ...	15,75,815	11	0

	Stock.					
	In the Stamp Office.			In the districts.		
	Rs.			Rs.	A.	P.
1 Anna				4,802	0	0
2 Do.	19,000			1,71,634	0	0
3 Do.				8,269	0	0
4 Do.	12,000			1,95,177	0	0
6 Do.				3,100	0	0
8 Do.	1,360			1,24,521	0	0
12 Do.				6,176	0	0
1 Rupee	8,000			52,373	0	0
12 Rupees				10,310	0	0
2 Do.	6,000			60,103	0	0
3 Do.				11,145	0	0
4 Do.	2,000			20,034	0	0
6 Do.	1,000			19,174	0	0
8 Do.	0,800			12,950	0	0
12 Do.	1,820			17,003	0	0
18 Do.	5,840			13,512	0	0
24 Do.	1,480			1,856	0	0
Total Stamps ...	79,280			7,15,914	0	0
Total value ...	2,68,055			11,94,269	11	0

2. Under the Notification, however, marginally noted, the value on all instruments, mentioned in Clause *b* of Section 5 of the General Stamp Act, is, at the option of the parties, denoted in this office by what are called special adhesive stamps, of which a specimen was sent to the Board with Mr. Ferrand's letter of the 29th June last, No. 1,809. If, as I observe from the 1st paragraph of the letter from the Government of India, recorded in the Government Order under reply, it has been decided to use adhesive stamps only under the Court Fees' Act, the above special adhesive labels, which are now in stock in this office, and which will no longer be required for use under the General Stamp Act, may, in part at least, be utilized by being used under the Court Fees' Act.

Notification, 13th January 1870, published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, 25th January 1870, page 89.

Annexed is a list showing the quantity of it now in hand of each denomination :—

	Stamps.
	rs.
2 Annas	6,399
4 Do.	6,388
8 Do.	3,192
1 Rupee	3,191
2 Rupees	3,195
4 Do.	3,199
5 Do.	3,196
6 Do.	1,599
7 Do.	1,600
8 Do.	1,592
9 Do.	160
10 Do.	1,598
20 Do.	1,598
30 Do.	1,600
40 Do.	400
50 Do.	300
100 Do.	159
Total ...	39,465

It will be perceived that the 5, 7, 9, 10, 20, 30, 40, and 50 Rupee stamps, of which values we have none in those already converted, may be applied to Court Fee purposes by stamping the words "Court Fees" across each label. I presume the 100 Rupees stamps cannot be so used, as it is one of the higher values for which impressed bicolour stamps are prescribed in the Government of India's schedule.

Vide paragraph 7 of the letter from the Government of India, recorded in Government Order, 6th April 1870, No. 453.

The Superintendent of Stamps seems to have misunderstood the order of the Government of India. What they have decided is, that no stamps except adhesive stamps shall be used under the Court Fees' Act, not that adhesive stamps shall be used under no Act except the Court Fees' Act.

2. The special (and other) adhesive stamps now used under the General Stamp Act will continue to be so used, and values above Rupees 100 are to be supplemented by adhesive stamps under the Court Fees' Act as well as values below Rupees 100

3. The question referred by Government for report is, whether there are a sufficient number of adhesive labels in stock which can be altered and used till the new labels which have just been indented for are received. Looking to the reports of the late Acting Superintendent and the blank entries in column 1 of the Statement affixed to paragraph 1, the Board fear that the foreign bill stamps must continue to be supplemented by impressed stamps. If so, the Superintendent should report to what extent this is the case.

4. The Superintendent will be requested to re-consider his report with reference to these remarks.

No. 309. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th November 1870.

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 12th November 1870, No. 6,633.

Read also the following letter from the Superintendent of Stamps, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 18th November 1870, No. 8,027.

I have had the honour to receive the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th instant, No. 6,633, on the subject of the use of adhesive stamps under the Court Fees' Act.

2. If, as the Board seem to suppose, it is the wish of the Government of India that, pending the arrival from England of the new labels which have been indented for, such of the adhesive stamps in store as can be adapted to the purpose should be intermediately used as Court Fee stamps for all values above, as well as for those below, 100 Rupees, I beg to state that this cannot be done at present to the exclusion of impressed stamps. The only values of adhesive labels now available in this office for use as Court Fee stamps are those specified in the margin, and it will be seen that no combination of them will supply all the various values required under the Act. The impressed stamps now used cannot, therefore, be superseded, but can only continue to be supplemented as at present by the use of adhesive stamps till the receipt of the new labels. Besides some of the values, at least of the foreign bill stamps in hand, which form the great bulk of the adhesive stamps in store, will be insufficient without the impressed stamps, to meet the demands for Court Fee stamps, till the arrival of the new labels which, in all probability, will not be received much, if at all, before the close of the current Fasli year.

1 Anna.	12 Annas. 6 Rupees.
2 ,, ...	1 Rupee. 8 ,,
3 ,, ...	14 Rupees. 12 ,,
4 ,, ...	2 ,, 18 ,,
6 ,, ...	3 ,, 24 ,,
8 ,, ...	4 ,, ...

Stock of Foreign Bill Stamps.

	No. of label.	Value.	
	rs.	rs.	rs.
2 Annas.	3,600	450	...
3 ,,	14,101	2,081	7
4 ,,	1,40,244	35,061	...
6 ,,	3,840	1,440	...
8 ,,	32,000	16,000	...
12 ,,	4,837	3,042	12
1 Rupee.	2,73,100	2,72,100	...
14 Rupees.	5,546	8,319	...
2 ,,	1,01,840	3,83,680	...
3 ,,	16,130	42,390	...
4 ,,	2,53,520	10,94,080	...
6 ,,	82,704	4,96,224	...
8 ,,	86,877	6,95,016	...
12 ,,	31,023	3,72,420	...
18 ,,	29,088	5,29,904	...
24 ,,	47,088	11,28,912	...
Total ...	12,32,529	30,97,876	3

3. I take this opportunity of submitting, for the information of the Board, a statement showing the quantities of impressed and adhesive Court Fees stamps at present in store in this office and in the District treasuries. Judging from the sales of these stamps in the three months of the past Fasli during which the Court Fees' Act was in operation, it will be observed that there is a very large stock of impressed stamps (which are all marked "Court Fees"), amounting in the aggregate to nearly twelve times the quantity required for a year. The higher values particularly will last for many years to come at the present rate of sales. In the absence of any data as to the probable requirements under the new Act district officers appear to have indented for, and this office supplied much larger quantities than were actually needed, and this has resulted in the present large accumulation of stock. The indents for the third quarter of the current year, which I am now receiving, are being carefully examined and reduced with reference to past sales and the balance of stock. Future indents will likewise be thoroughly scrutinized before being complied with. Still it must be a question for decision hereafter when the labels appeared from England have arrived, what should be done with the stock of impressed stamps which I expect will then remain in hand *i.e.*, whether it should be destroyed or exhausted before rendering the new labels available to the public.

4. The large quantity of single stamped papers in store in this office as shown in the statement above referred to perhaps requires some explanation. The Board will perceive from Mr. Ferrand's letter noted in the margin that it was the established practice of this office not to keep in store a supply of any impressed stamps beyond those in course of despatch to districts in satisfaction of quarterly indents. The Board approved of this practice, but Mr. Ferrand appears to have subsequently laid in a store of single stamps, to meet the inconvenience of the stamping Department at the Assay Office, and, at the same time, to avoid any possible delay in meeting Collectors' requisitions for stamps which at the time appear to have been very pressing.

Recorded in Board's Proceedings, 11th March 1869, No. 1,617.

Submitted to Government, with reference to Government Order, dated 3rd November 1870, No. 1,693.

5. It is absolutely necessary that the stamps now in use which are adhesive for some values and impressed for others should continue to be used until the new labels are received. It will then be necessary, the Board believe, to destroy such of the old stamps as have not been disposed of. The loss will be great because of the unnecessarily large number in stock in the districts and the Stamp Office, but this is a natural consequence of the haste with which the change made by the Court Fees' Act was introduced.

6. The old usage of the Stamp Office with regard to single stamp papers should be adhered to in future.

No. 310. ORDER THEREON, 15th December 1870, No. 2,037.

Separate Revenue, No. 11.
Stamps.

THE Board's Proceedings are approved.

2. Ordered that the following letter be despatched to the Government of India:—

(Here enter, No. 2,038, dated 15th December 1870.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
15th December 1870.

No. 311.

No. 2,038.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Separate Revenue, No. 12.

Stamps.

Dated 14th October 1870, No. 4,209.
,, 18th ,, ,, ,, 4,245.

SIR,—I am directed to reply to the marginally noted letters from the Government of India relating to Court Fee Stamps. His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, in the first letter, intimates his decision that all Court Fees shall be paid by adhesive labels. In the second letter the Government of India mention that, as some time must elapse before the necessary stock of adhesive labels can be procured from England, they are prepared to authorize the intermediate use of any labels in stock that can be adapted to the purpose, and on this point they call for a report.

2. The marginally noted Proceedings of the Board of Revenue embody a report from the Superintendent of Stamps, showing that there are only seventeen denominations of adhesive stamps [illegible] for use under the Court Fees Act now in stock, all of values not exceeding Rupees 24. It is, therefore, impossible to work the Act exclusively with adhesive stamps, until a fresh supply can be obtained from England; and this being the case, I am to request that existing arrangements may not be disturbed for the present.

Dated 25th November 1870, No.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

Rgd. F. R. Bantleman.

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1215 Rubers	195	"	"	195	621	"	3	"	621	669	25	"	644
135 do	308	"	"	308	991	"	3	"	993	997	4	"	995
160 do	318	8	"	318	328	"	8	"	328	408	"	"	"
1637/12 do	19	5	"	24	25	"	15	"	69	93	"	"	"
165 do	358	5	"	363	128	"	"	"	128	140	"	"	"
170 do	317	"	"	317	211	"	"	"	211	256	15	"	15
175 do	122	5	"	127	213	"	"	"	213	220	7	"	7
180 do	111	5	"	116	211	"	"	"	211	227	8	"	8
185 do	125	2	"	127	224	"	"	"	224	232	8	"	8
1877/12 do	22	5	"	27	59	"	12	"	72	108	"	"	"
190 do	1165	"	"	1165	201	"	3	"	204	264	60	"	60
195 do	3	"	"	3	140	"	3	"	143	126	"	"	"
200 do	172	"	"	172	316	"	"	"	316	362	46	"	46
236 do	147	"	"	147	193	"	2	"	195	208	13	"	13
237/12 do	4	"	"	4	26	"	12	"	38	42	"	"	"
250 do	193	"	"	193	328	"	"	"	328	361	33	"	33
300 do	194	10	"	204	256	"	3	"	259	303	44	"	44
350 do	189	"	"	189	230	"	"	"	230	246	16	"	16
400 do	83	"	"	83	194	"	"	"	194	206	12	"	12
1,50 do	211	5	"	216	181	"	3	"	184	212	28	"	28
500 do	86	"	"	86	183	"	"	"	183	249	66	"	66
550 do	61	"	"	61	84	"	"	"	84	88	4	"	4
600 do	65	"	"	65	99	"	3	"	102	103	1	"	1
650 do	64	2	"	66	96	"	3	"	99	141	42	"	42

17	Refuse	"	50	"	20	3785		"	"	3785	3724	266	"	266
17½	do	"	50	"	50	765		37	"	796	826	"	"	"
18	do	"	50	5810	5508	3826	3822	"	"	17838	22928	242	138	380
18½	do	"	10	"	10	3783		93	"	3865	3958	65	"	65
19	do	"	"	"	"	3285		125	"	3538	3670	122	"	122
19½	do	"	"	"	"	3285		288	"	5936	6002	3577	"	3577
20	do	47	20	"	47	3738		"	"	2663	2853	108	"	108
21	do	200	"	"	202	2655		"	"	2663	2813	76	"	76
21½	do	"	"	"	"	2587		88	"	2663	2813	76	"	76
22	do	"	50	"	50	1106		33	"	1138	1188	"	"	"
22½	do	208	50	"	258	2101		87	"	2588	2746	150	"	150
23	do	356	"	"	356	2590		"	"	2590	2946	60	"	60
24	do	993	"	1610	2603	3931	1328	"	"	5777	8480	655	155	755
25	do	79	20	"	99	5074		308	"	5374	8472	2252	"	2252
26	do	344	"	"	344	2518		6	"	2524	2870	72	"	72
27	do	352	"	"	352	3705		6	"	3711	4066	82	"	82
27½	do	161	60	"	221	2325		96	"	2410	2631	45	"	45
28	do	258	"	"	258	2572		"	"	2572	2850	96	"	96
30	do	69	"	"	69	6062		"	"	6063	6132	1687	"	1687
32	do	15	"	"	15	6822		"	"	6822	6827	962	"	962
32½	do	130	20	"	150	68		63	"	213	698	"	"	"

33	do	116	10	"	126	2266		"	"	"	2266	2395	44	"	44
34	do	157	40	"	197	2872		"	"	"	2872	3142	276	"	276
35	do	215	16	"	355	3999		"	"	"	3999	4266	276	"	276
36	do	147	"	"	167	2134		34	"	2168	2318	74	"	74
37½	do	157	20	"	207	2858		30	"	2888	2988	134	"	134
38	do	13	10	"	23	3079		"	"	3079	3102	42	"	42
39	do	39	10	"	50	1006		"	"	1006	1056	56	"	56
40	do	236	"	"	236	3074		"	"	3074	3310	1234	"	1234
42½	do	246	"	"	246	1657		46	"	1703	1949	148	"	148
43	do	243	"	"	243	1955		6	"	1961	2204	92	"	92
46	do	278	"	"	278	1704		6	"	1504	3050	24	"	24
47	do	82	"	"	82	1551		6	"	1557	1663	116	"	116
47½	do	115	20	"	135	295		22	"	317	452	"	"	"
48	do	230	"	"	230	2825		"	"	2825	3075	520	"	520
50	do	140	"	"	140	3307		198	"	3505	3705	1080	"	1080
51	do	66	"	"	66	1854		96	"	1950	1970	66	"	66
52½	do	[illegible]	"	"	50	2092		32	"	1992	2036	32	"	32
53	do	159	"	"	159	2682		82	"	2841	2946	96	"	96
54	do	186	"	"	186	6572		3	"	6575	6761	66	"	66
54½	do	99	"	"	79	1579		3	"	1582	1681	36	"	36
55½	do	68	"	"	68	1165		28	"	1193	1261	8	"	8

1 3/4	do	"	500	"	500	19729		812	"	20534	21061	368	"	368		
3	do	"	"	6000	6000	106980	10648	"	"	14478	153478	30738	2656	53394		
2 1/4	do	"	"	"	"	29566		221	"	29787	29787	29044	"	29044		
2 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	35101		113	"	35214	35214	7368	"	7368		
3	do	"	500	"	500	42614	11445	"	"	54059	54559	29462	492	29954		
3 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	14629		312	"	14941	14941	456	"	456		
3 3/4	do	"	1	"	1	21032		1316	"	22347	22348	14084	"	14084		
4	do	"	"	7000	7000	67694	20434	"	"	87728	94728	22266	700	22966		
4 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	20164		89	"	20253	20253	3752	"	3752		
4 3/4	do	"	"	"	"	16687		69	"	16756	16756	804	"	804		
5	do	"	"	"	"	26698		"	"	26698	26698	14376	"	14376		
5 1/4	do	"	200	"	200	11404		41	"	11445	11645	1648	"	1648		
5 1/2	do	"	50	"	50	5254		18	"	5272	5322	1104	"	1104		
6	do	"	1500	1500	2665	14576		48	"	17241	18241	14352	352	14704		
6 1/4	do	"	"	"	"	12451		48	"	12499	12499	5808	"	5808		
6 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	17540		67	"	17607	17607	12936	"	12936		
6 3/4	do	"	"	"	300	10852		2	"	10854	11154	10836	"	10836		
7	do	"	100	"	100	6600		26	"	10626	10626	2244	"	2244		
7 1/2	do	"	500	"	500	30662	12830	"	"	43492	43992	10758	258	11016		
8	do	500	"	6500	6500	30662	12830	"	"	43492	50492	10758	258	11016		
8 1/2	do	"	100	"	100	6646		240	"	10626	10726	9576	"	9576		
9	do	"	"	"	"	3835		226	"	3961	4061	6460	"	6460		
9 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	17605		"	"	17605	17605	8132	224	8356		
10	do	"	"	"	"	6552		69	"	6552	6552	1104	"	1104		
10 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	6991		240	"	7231	7231	2880	"	2880		
11	do	230	50	"	280	6991		"	"	7271	7271	4200	200	4400		
12	do	140	20	1820	2000	10303	17863	"	"	27166	29166	19200	"	19200		
13	do	"	"	"	"	5461		68	"	5529	5529	1088	"	1088		
13 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	2111		68	"	2179	2179	578	"	578		
14	do	140	140	"	280	1911		68	"	2119	2399	2352	"	2352		
14 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	2144		68	"	2212	2212	1972	"	1972		
15	do	"	"	"	"	6624		228	"	6852	6852	3420	"	3420		
15 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	6624		228	"	6852	6852	3420	"	3420		
16	do	50	"	"	50	8853		88	"	8941	8991	2376	"	2376		
16 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	2111		68	"	2179	2179	2244	"	2244		
17	do	245	"	"	245	3653		68	"	3721	3966	2244	"	2244		
17 1/2	do	"	"	"	"	7665		87	"	7752	7752	2262	"	2262		
18	do	"	50	"	50	5755		179	"	5934	5984	4250	"	4250		
18 1/2	do															

Judicial Stamps

Stock in the Stamp Office in the Districts on the 1st October 1870.

Average sales of a year calculated on the sales of the last 3 Months of July 1879

	Impressed Single Stamped Papers	Impressed Double Stamped Papers	Court Fees Adhesive Stamps	Total	Impressed Stamps issued from the Stamp Office since 1st October 1870.	Adhesive Stamps issued since 1st October 1870	Total	Grand Total	Impressed Stamps	Court Fees Adhesive Stamps	Total
1 c Anna	8098	28000	1280	37378	3,47,699	77900	1920	4,31,511	4,08,889	47,981	4,56,870
2 do	13	"	19000	19013	356,462	"	3000	5,30,996	5,50,009	12,187	162,463
3 do	"	500	"	500	13,093	2000	"	21,211	21,811	"	6144
4 do	111	"	12000	12,111	3,01,531	"	4000	5,00,711	5,12,875	123002	11,732
6 do	6158	"	"	6158	75,068	2000	"	80,258	86,416	13032	3204
8 do	10,452	32782	1360	44,594	5,67,248	99,000	1840	7,92,609	8,37,203	904782	8946
9 do	"	500	"	500	1708	900	"	2608	3108	"	"
12 do	8,400	"	"	8,400	76,873	3,000	"	86,049	94,449	14903	4776
15 do	"	500	"	500	1708	400	"	2117	2617	"	"
1 Rupee	50	"	8000	8,050	2,25,084	600	"	2,78,057	3,86,107	225583	4508
1/2 do	"	"	"	"	58,048	230	"	64,488	64,488	14760	"
1 3/4 do	"	500	"	500	19,739	812	"	20,541	21,041	568	"
2 do	"	"	6,000	6,000	106,980	"	"	147,478	153,478	50738	2656
2 1/4 do	"	"	"	"	29,566	221	"	29,787	29,787	5944	"
2 1/2 do	"	"	"	"	35,101	113	"	35,214	35,214	7368	"
3 do	"	500	"	500	42,614	"	"	54,059	54,559	5942	692
3 1/2 do	"	"	"	"	14,629	312	"	14,941	14,941	456	"
3 3/4 do	"	1	"	1	21,032	1316	"	22,347	22,348	14014	"
4 do	"	"	7,000	7,000	67,694	20134	"	87,728	94,728	22266	700
4 1/2 do	"	"	"	"	20,164	89	"	20,253	20,253	3752	"
4 3/4 do	"	"	"	"	16,687	69	"	16,756	16,756	804	"
5 do	"	"	"	"	26,698	"	"	26,698	26,698	14376	"
5 1/4 do	"	200	"	200	14,104	41	"	14,145	14,645	1648	"
5 1/2 do	"	50	"	50	45,523	"	"	45,573	45,573	1764	"
6 do	"	"	1800	1800	20037	19174	"	39211	41,011	14329	3822
6 1/4 do	"	"	"	"	13951	48	"	13999	13,999	324	"
6 1/2 do	"	"	"	"	12,749	27	"	12,776	12,776	1296	"
7 do	"	100	"	100	10,952	"	"	10,952	11,052	1188	"
7 1/2 do	"	100	"	100	6,666	526	"	10,468	10,568	2214	"
8 do	200	"	5800	6,200	32,662	17,550	"	57,412	57,412	18,792	328
9 do	"	100	"	100	6906	60	"	10,466	10,566	972	"
9 3/8 do	"	"	"	"	3556	246	"	8,802	8,802	648	"
10 do	"	"	"	"	17,105	"	"	17,105	17,105	4464	"
10 1/2 do	"	"	"	"	6,202	69	"	6,271	6,271	1188	"
11 do	270	50	"	320	6,961	200	"	7,081	7,161	5148	"
12 do	160	20	1820	2,000	10,363	17763	"	27,126	29,126	23004	720
12 1/2 do	"	"	"	"	6,961	50	"	6,511	7,011	756	"
13 do	145	100	"	245	14,011	610	"	14,621	14,866	2376	"
13 1/2 do	"	"	"	"	2,166	"	"	2,166	2,166	576	"
14 do	"	"	"	"	4,271	20	"	4,291	4,291	1944	"
15 do	30	"	"	30	8,523	36	"	8,559	8,589	2664	"
15 1/2 do	245	"	"	245	3033	60	"	3093	3,338	972	"
16 do	"	"	"	"	7662	30	"	7713	7713	3240	"
16 1/2 do	"	50	"	50	4233	179	"	4462	4462	1296	"

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Rev. Dept. & Police

From

To Superintendent of Stamps

Enclosure as letter from the Superintendent of Stamps dated 18th November 1870 No 3027.

Subj. No 3697/70

Revl Department

W-2037.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 15th December 1870.

Read the following

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Subject letter from Supdt. of Stamps regarding use of obsolete stamps under Court Fees Act. } dated 25th November 18

The Board's Proceedings are approved.

2. Ordered that the following letter be despatched to the Government of In

(Sd) E.

Sec.

Sd.

J. D.S

14 Folios W. of Rec. Dept. 86

15th October 1879

Revenue Department

No 2038.

To

The Secretary to the Government

Financial Department

Sir,

I am directed to reply to the marginally noted letters from the Government of Bombay regarding Court Fee stamps. His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that first letter intimates his decision that all Court Fees shall be paid by postage labels. In the second letter the Government of Bombay mentions that

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18th do " " 4245

J. H.

Lee rem

that a long time must elapse before the necessary stocks of adhesive labels can be procured from England, if they are prepared to authorize the intermediate use of any labels in stock that can be adapted to the purpose, and on this point they will be requested

to report

I am

of the Board of Revenue

to report from

the Superintendent of

Stamps & Stamping that

there are only seventeen

denominations of adhesive

stamps, adapted for use

I think this

can be prevented

taken by the public

I refer for the

higher values.

The values are so

numerous, that no

way

can be taken

back a stock as

dated 25th Nov. 1870 be

available. Government. The

higher values will

only be sold on Com-

mission or by tickets

under one £ the

sale of which will

be by stamping Com-

mission. in Receiving

stamping stock &c

like receiving Com-

-tion - The cost of

the stamp is. I

conclude, to me

the cost of labels -

but this is com-

paratively small

I am to be met

by a small uniform

charge of 5% for stock

L. 86.

I prefer the draft in

the form appear to me

preferable as the

stamped paper will

be preferable for the

higher values.

S.

under the Court Fees Act

now in stock all of values

not exceeding Rs. 24 - It is

therefore impossible to work

the Act exclusively with ad-

hesive stamps, until a fresh

supply can be obtained

from England, and this

being the case, I am to re-

-quest that epistolary communi-

-cations may not be dis-

-tinguished for the present

9th Dec.

L.B.