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No. 217. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th March 1874, No. 555:—

Read the following letters:—

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Wandse, 12th January 1874, No. 48.

With reference to the marginally noted order* of Government, sanctioning the transfer of the management of the District Post of South Canara to the Postmaster-General, I have the honour to report, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that the Postmaster-General has since visited this district, and we have in personal consultation agreed on remodelling the whole establishment as follows:—

* G. O., dated 27th August 1873, No. 911, Revenue Department.

2. In the tabular statement appended to my letter of the 5th July last, No. 1,026, and printed with Board's Proceedings, dated the 5th August 1873, No. 1,493, I have given the existing lines of District Post, the number of runners employed on each line and the tappal gumastahs and delivery peons attached to each station, the whole establishment costing in the aggregate Rupees 263† per mensem. The Postmaster-General has now supplied me with a scheme under which the same means of communication can be maintained, and a daily tappal established throughout the lines for Rupees 252-8-0 per mensem, or Rupees 10-8-0 less than the present cost.

† Including Rupees 11, saderward allowance.

3. Out of the existing [illegible] we have found it advisable to discon-

bution) and in office establishments thus amounts to Rupees 93-8-0 per mensem, which sum is available for utilization in the further improvement of the District Post.

8. I propose to devote a portion of this saving to the opening of an experimental new district postal line between Bydoor and Colloor.

9. At Beltangadi where the district postal duties are performed by the dufterbund of the Sub-Magistrate's Office, the services of a separate tappal gumastah on Rupees 10 per mensem are required, and we propose to entertain one to relieve the Sub-Magistrate's establishment.

10. Our greatest want in the district is a sufficient number of taluq delivery peons to be employed in connection with the present Post Offices. The existence of a Post Office at any station is of itself of little practical use, unless it is provided with the means of receiving and distributing letters in the villages in its neighbour[illegible]d we have therefore agreed to employ nine additional delivery peons in connection with the Post Offices noted in the margin, at a monthly cost of Rupees 45. At present, letters for the interior are sent through the Tahsildars for distribution, and the delays which take place in their delivery is a source of frequent complaint. The District Gazettes despatched from my

	No. of Peons.
Manjeshwar	1
Udipi	2
Puttur	1
Bantwal	1
Kasargod	1
Kandapur	1
Mangalore	2
	9

either extremities, the Postmaster-General undertakes to secure a regular daily mail on this line, which will ensure the receipt of a letter despatched from Manzerabad within twenty-four hours at Mangalore and *vice versa*.

5. Between Beltangadi and Uppinangadi, a distance of fifteen miles, only two runners are now employed, as no number of runners can attain a speed that will catch the daily mail without losing a night, and as it is consequently more economical to pay two men Rupee 1 extra to do the whole distance leisurely.

6. In office establishments, etc., we at present spent Rupees 119 per mensem, as shown in the margin. Under the new arrangement the Postmaster-General is of opinion that the services of a gumastah on Rupees 20 at head-quarters are no longer required, and he proposes to open experimental Imperial Receiving Houses at Mulky, Karkal, Hosdroog, and Uppinangadi, which will cause a further saving of Rupees 45* in the cost of the present district staff. Besides this, the salaries of delivery peons are to be reduced to a uniform rate of Rupees 5 per mensem hereafter, which causes a saving of Rupees 3, and the present sanctioned allowance for Saderward charges of the different offices amounts to Rupees 11, while under the new scheme Rupees 7-8-0 will suffice.

	Rs.
1 Gumastah at head-quarters	20
1 Do. at Mulky	10
1 Do. at Karkal	10
1 Do. at Hosdroog	10
1 Do. at Uppinangadi	10
1 Do. at Sullya	10
7 Delivery Peons	38
Contingencies	11
	119
* Gumastah at Mulky and Delivery Peon...	15
Do. at Karkal, Hosdroog, and Uppinangadi	30
	45

	Runners. No.	Cost. Rs.
1. Mangalore to Agumba ...	9	54
2. Udipi to Karkal...	5	30
3. Puttur to Manzerabad ...	8	48
4. Beltangadi to Uppinangadi	2	12
Total...	144	

one from Mangalore to Agumba, and in lieu of it to open a new line between Mulky and Karkal, and another from Udipi direct to Agumba. The same number of runners are required for both the old and new lines, but the arrangement has the advantage that the neces-

y for the present separate line from Udipi to Karkal is obviated (as these two ations can now communicate with each other *via* Mulky), and a saving of Rupees a-month can be effected by the abolition of the runners on the latter line.

4. The line from Puttur to Manzerabad (the portion of which between ppinangadi and Manzerabad I stated was not wanted entirely for district rposes) we have proposed to retain for the benefit chiefly of the Manzerabad anters and the District Officers and Revenue Inspector [illegible] in that direc- n on duty as well as for the Police stationed at Sirady, for it is unlikely that e line will be taken up by the Imperial Post unless the planters will contribute wards its cost. Hitherto complaints have been very frequent of tardiness the transit of the mail on this line, and in order to accelerate it, we find it cessary to post an additional runner, on Rupees 6 per mensem, at the point ere the mails cross each other near the frontier where it is taken up by the ysore Anche. The distances of the runners' stages being exactly calculated and tter arrangements made for regulating the hours of despatch of the mails from

my office are also kept lying for weeks at the Taluq Cutcherries or Post Offices for want of peons to deliver them. The entertainment of the additional delivery peons will greatly obviate this inconvenience, as the Postmaster-General, will, with our aid, arrange for the delivery peons attached to each Post Office, visiting at least once a week all the villages within a radius of about 10 miles of each Post Office, distributing as well as collecting letters on their circuits.

11. I enclose, for the Board's information, copies of correspondence* with the Postmaster-General, together with a tabular statement† showing the financial effect of the proposed re-distribution of the District Post, which results in a monthly saving of Rupees 10-8-0; and to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained to the new scheme, in anticipation of which I have requested the Postmaster-General to set it on foot as soon as practicable, and have, in the meantime, handed over to him the management of the whole establishment from the 1st of November.

* Letter from Postmaster-General, 15th October 1873, No. 723, with enclosure.
To Postmaster-General, 16th October 1873, No. 1,741.
From do. 20th do. ,, No. 740.
To do. ,, do. ,, ,, 1,758.
From do. ,, do. ,, ,, 768.
From Inspector of Post Offices, 22nd October 1873, No. 3,079.
To Inspector of Post Offices, 27th October 1873, No. 1,797.

† Tabular Statement.

12. I have taken upon me to do this because there is no objection in a financial point of view to the Postmaster-General's at once carrying out the new scheme, with the exception of the opening of the new line between Bydoor and Colloor and the location of a separate tappal gumastah at Beltangadi, which arrangements are dependant on the savings which will accrue on the opening of experimental Imperial Receiving Houses at Mulky, Karkal, Hosdroog, and Uppinangadi, for which the Postmaster-General has to obtain separate sanction.

13. While discussing the whole scheme with the Postmaster-General, it was discovered that a portion of the north and south Imperial postal line, commencing from Kundapur and including the Post Offices at Gangoly and Bydoor, is under the management of the Bombay postal authorities, in accordance with an arrangement made when the district of North Canara was handed over to the Bombay Presidency. The arrangement was objected to by one of my predecessors in 1866, but without avail. As it will now interfere with the establishment of the proposed new line between Bydoor and Colloor, I have requested the Postmaster-General to take the necessary measures to relieve the Bombay authorities of the charge of the line, and of the two Post Offices above alluded to; and beg to submit herewith copies of the former correspondence (Enclosure No. 3) on the subject.

14. The opening of the new lines between Mulky and Karkal, and Udipi and Agumba, alluded to in paragraph 3, necessitates the construction of eight new tappal huts for the accommodation of the runners at an estimated cost of Rupees 15 each, or Rupees 120 in all, for which I have no provision in my Budget. I have, therefore, the honour to request that the necessary sanction may be granted. A part of the outlay will probably be recouped by the sale-proceeds of the materials of the huts to be abandoned under the new arrangement.

15. I hope the above arrangements will meet the Board's approval.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, dated Mangalore, 15th October 1873, No. 723.

Referring to the conversation I had with you this morning regarding the District Post, I would beg to make the following propositions for your consideration and approval.

I would suggest that the District Post gumastah at Mangalore be abolished, and I propose opening experimental Receiving Houses at Mulky, Uppinangadi, and Hosdroog; this will enable you to make a monthly saving to the District Post Fund of Mangalore, Rupees 20.

	RS.
Mulky	15
Uppinangadi	10
Hosdroog	10
Total ..	55

In order to improve the service between Puttur and Manzerabad *via* Uppinangadi, I would make the following proposal.

The Imperial Mail from Mangalore arrives at Puttur between 3 and 4 A.M., that from Mysore and Mercara between 3 and 4 P.M. The Manzerabad mail should therefore leave Puttur immediately after the arrival of the Mangalore Mail or at 4 A.M. and proceed to Uppinangadi arriving not latter than 6 A.M., the distance being eight miles. It should leave Uppinangadi at 6-30 A.M., reaching Manzerabad at 6-30 P.M., forty-six miles, which is a little less than four miles an hour. The whole distance from Puttur to Manzerabad being fifty-two miles will require ten runners, and one runner more to be stationed at the point where the mails cross each other, thus making altogether eleven runners, cost of which will be Rupees 66 per mensem, of which the cost of nine should be borne by the District Post, the remainder, as at present, by the Mysore Anche. This will leave Rupees [illegible] to be paid by the District Post.

The mails from Manzerabad should leave at 4-30 A.M., arriving at Uppinangadi at 4-30 P.M., reach Puttur at 7 P.M., where it will be carried on by Imperial runners to Mangalore and arrive at 4-30 A.M.

Beltangadi should be served from Uppinangadi by two runners who will start from both extremities daily at 6-30 A.M., and arrive at Uppinangadi and Beltangadi at 11-30 A.M.; these runners having each to go fifteen miles a day, their pay should be 7 Rupees a month.

Respecting Karkal, I would suggest it be served from Mulky, the present line direct from Mangalore to Karkal being abolished. The distance is eighteen miles, requiring three runners at 6 Rupees a month, total Rupees 18. The mail from Mangalore arrives at Mulky at 11 A.M., and should be forwarded to Karkal at once, arriving at Karkal at 4 P.M. The mail from the north for Mangalore reaches Mulky at 9 A.M. The mail should therefore leave Karkal for Mulky at 3 A.M., arriving at Mangalore at 6 P.M. I also propose to abolish the two lines between Karkal and Udipi and Karkal and Agumba, establishing in lieu of the former the above proposed line between Karkal and Mulky, and for the latter I would suggest Agumba being served from Udipi, the distance being about thirty miles would take six runners, costing Rupees 36 a month.

The new line between Bydoor and Colloor, which you are desirous of opening, is about eighteen miles and would take three runners to serve it at the expense of Rupees 18 for runner's line, and Rupees 10 for the gumastah at Colloor, total Rupees 28. I would further suggest that there be district letter peons entertained at the following offices—Karkal, Udipi, Manjeshwar, Puttur, Bantwal, Kasargod, and Kundapur, on Rupees 5 a month each.

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The attached statement will show the financial effect of these propositions.

Number.	Routes. Lines.	Miles.	Stages.	Runners. No.	Runners. Cost.	Stations. Names.	Gumastahs. No.	Gumastahs. Cost.	Letter Peons. No.	Letter Peons. Cost.	Grand Total.	Contingencies.
					RS. A. P.			RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1	Puttur to Canara frontier Manzerabad *via* Uppinangadi	38	8	9	54 0 0	Puttur	1	10 0 0	...	... ...	10 0 0	1 8 0
						Kariah	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0	69 0 0	1 8 0
2	Beltangadi to Uppinangadi ...	15	2	2	14 0 0	Beltangadi	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0	29 0 0	1 8 0
3	Karkal to Mulky	18	3	3	18 0 0	Manjeshwar	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	23 0 0	1 8 0
4	Agumba to Udipi	30	6	6	36 0 0	Kumbala	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	41 0 0	1 8 0
5	Bydoor to Colloor...	18	3	3	18 0 0	Karkal	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0	33 0 0	1 8 0
						Do.	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	5 0 0	... ...
						Udipi	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	5 0 0	... ...
						Puttur	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	5 0 0	... ...
						Bantwal	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	5 0 0	... ...
						Hosdroog	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	5 0 0	... ...
						Kasargod	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	5 0 0	... ...
						Kundapur...	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	5 0 0	... ...
						Upyinangadi	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	5 0 0	... ...
	Total...	...	...	...	140 0 0		...	40 0 0	...	65 0 0	245 0 0	9 0 0

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, dated Mangalore, 16th October 1873, No. 1,741.

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, No. 723, I have the honour to state that the scheme proposed for remodelling the postal establishment of this district, is, in my opinion, a great improvement on the present arrangement, and I shall be obliged by your setting it on foot as soon as convenient and informing me of the same, on which the necessary orders shall be issued placing it under your control.

From Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, dated Mangalore, 20th October 1873, No. 740.

Since visiting Karkal, I am of opinion that an experimental Imperial Receiving House should be opened there with every prospect of success. I therefore, with your concurrence, propose doing so: this will effect a saving of Rupees 10 per month, which I should suggest your spending on two district delivery peons to be attached to Mangalore Post Office for delivery of letters and District Gazettes in the Mangalore Taluq.

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, dated Mangalore, 20th October 1873, No. 1,758.

In reply to your letter of the 20th instant, No. 740, I have the honour to inform you that your proposal to open an experimental Imperial Receiving House at Karkal and to spend the saving of Rupees 10 per mensem on two additional district delivery peons has my concurrence. I would however desire, on reconsideration, to make the slight alteration in the formerly proposed arrangement that only one district delivery peon be allowed to Karkal, instead of two as proposed on the 15th instant, and that the second peon be posted to Udipi, a more important station.

From Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq, Collector of South Canara, dated Mangalore, 20th October 1873, No. 768.

I have the honour in reply to your No. 1,758, of 20th October [illegible], that I have the Inspector of Post Offices, 8th Division, to carry out your wishes, viz., that only one delivery peon be allowed for Karkal, the other being attached to Udipi.

From J. W. ROSE, Esq., Inspector of Post Offices, 8th or Calicut Division, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, dated Mangalore, 22nd October 1873, No. 3,079.

With reference to your letters to the Postmaster-General Madras, Nos. 1,741 and 1,758, dated, respectively, the 16th and 20th October 1873, I have the honour to request you will be so good as to issue the necessary instructions to the District Post gumastahs on the subject of the transfer, from 1st November 1873, of the District Post Offices in South Canara to this department.

2. I propose arranging for the opening of the following lines from the above date, viz:—

Puttur to Manzerabad.
Beltangadi to Uppinangadi.
Karkal to Mulky.
Agumba to Udipi.

3. I regret I am unable at present to take any action in the opening of the Bydoor and Colloor line, as the former office is under the jurisdiction of the Postmaster-General, Bombay Presidency, and further reference will be necessary on the matter.

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. W. ROSE, Esq., Inspector of Post Offices, 8th or Calicut Division, dated Mangalore, 27th October 1873, No. 1,797.

With reference to your letter of the 22nd instant, No. 3,079, I have the honour to inform you that the necessary instructions have been issued to the different District Post gumastahs, etc., intimating to them that the management of the District Post has been transferred to the Imperial postal department from the 1st November 1873.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS, Collector.

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Enclosure No. 2.

Statement showing the proposed Re-distribution of the District Postal Establishment of South Canara.

No.	Routes.			Runners.		Stations.						Contingencies.		Grand Total.	
	Names.	Miles.	Stages.	No.	Cost.	Names.	Gumastahs.		Letter Peons.						
							No.	Cost.	No.	Cost.					
					Rs. A. P.			Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	
1	Puttur to Canara frontier Manzerabad *via* Uppinangadi	38	8	9	54 0 0	Sulliah ...	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0		1 8 0			
						Reltangadi ...	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0		1 8 0			
2	Beltangadi to Uppinangadi ...	15	2	2	14 0 0	Hosdroog ...	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		1 8 0			
3	Mulky to Karkal	18	3	3	18 0 0	Manjeshwar ...	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		1 8 0			
4	Agumba to Udipi	30	6	6	36 0 0	Kumbala ...	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		... ...			
5	Bydoor to Colloor	18	3	3	18 0 0	Karkal ...	...	... ...	2	10 0 0		... ...			
						Udipi... ...	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		... ...			
						Puttur	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		... ...			
						Bantwal	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		... ...			
						Kasargod	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		... ...			
						Kundapur	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		... ...			
						Uppinangadi ...	...	... ...	1	5 0 0		1 8 0			
						Colloor	1	10 0 0	...	... ...		... ...			
						Mangalore ...	...	... ...	2	10 0 0		... ...			
							3	30 0 0	15	75 0 0		7 8 0		252 8 0	
								70 0 0		38 0 0		11 0 0		263 0 0	
						Saving ...	...	... ...	...	... ...		... ...		10 8 0	
	Total...	...	...	23	140 0 0										
	Present cost of District Postal Establishment	...	...	...	144 0 0										

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS,
Collector.

Wandse,
12th January 1874.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

From E. IMPEY, Esq., Postmaster-General, Bombay, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, dated Baroda, 13th April 1866, No. 1,598.

THE Postmaster-General, Madras, has forwarded to me the correspondence you have had with him and the Collector of Canara in this Presidency respecting the Post Office at Bydoor, and I beg to acquaint you that as the Inspecting Postmaster of the Canara Collectorate in this Circle represented the likelihood of the town of Bydoor being self-supporting and gave evidence of the same, I represented the matter, in conformity with the Postal Rules, to the Director-General of the Post Office and obtained his sanction to the opening of an experimental Post Office at Bydoor, which accordingly took place on the 24th November last. The experiment proved successful, and I have recommended that the Post Office at Bydoor be made permanent.

2. I was unaware and have only now, after a lapse of four months, heard that the town was in your Collectorate, or that it was provided with any postal establishment, but I have not heard of any inconvenience attending its opening. On the contrary, great benefit appears to have been derived by the public at that place, as evinced by the correspondence received for and posted at Bydoor.

3. The circumstance of an Imperial Post Office being established at any town under the Government of India, or at Bydoor in particular, need not necessarily, I think, interfere with any arrangements in force for the service of local District Post with which the Post Office need has none but advantageous connection, and unless it proves detrimental to local or Imperial interests, I do not imagine consent would be obtained to its withdrawal or abolition. It may be transferred to the Madras Postal Circle if the Director-General of the Post Office thinks proper.

4. In regard of the payment of the Imperial Post line within the boundaries of your Collectorate, I have only to say that the line as now paid was transferred to me by the Postmaster-General, Madras, when the Canara Collectorate was divided and the northern portion transferred to the Bombay Presidency; I have not the least objection to the portion of it referred to by you being paid from Madras, with the Postmaster-General of which Presidency it remains to move in the matter.

From the same officer, dated 23rd June 1866, No. 2,463.

IN reference to my letter, No. 1,598, dated 13th April 1866, I have the honour to annex, for your information, extract, paragraph 2, of a letter, No. 508, dated 7th June 1866, from the Director-General of the Post Office.

(Signed) E. IMPEY,
Postmaster-General.

Extract, paragraph 2, of letter, No. 508, from the Director-General of the Post Office, to the Postmaster-General, Bombay.

I see no reason for transferring the line between Honore and Kundapur or the office at Bydoor, to Madras.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) GANPATRAO,
Head Assistant, for
Postmaster-General.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS,
Collector.

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Kundapur, 13th January 1874, No. 55.

IN continuation of my letter of the 12th instant, No. 48, I have the honour to report, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that the Inspector of Post Offices of the 8th Division has since informed me that the experimental Imperial Receiving Houses proposed to be opened at Mulky, Uppinangadi, Hosdroog, and Karkal, have since been sanctioned by the Director-General of Post Offices in India, and that the offices have accordingly been opened from the 1st December 1873.

2. The re-arrangement of the district postal establishment, in accordance with the scheme submitted in my above-quoted letter, has now been completed with the exception of the opening of the proposed new line of District Post between Bydoor and Colloor, alluded to in paragraph 8 of the above letter.

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Hossangady, 20th January 1874, No. 91-A.

ADVERTING to paragraph 13 of my letter of the 12th instant, No. 48, I have the honour to inform the Board that since addressing them, I have received the enclosed communication from the Postmaster-General, from which it appears that the Director-General of the Post Offices in India has sanctioned the transfer of the Imperial Post Offices and mail line between Kundapur and the northern frontier of this district, now under the Bombay postal authorities, to the control of the Postmaster-General, Madras, and there is therefore no further difficulty in opening the proposed new district postal line between Bydoor and Colloor.

2. I take this opportunity to note, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that although the revised postal scheme, submitted for sanction in my above-quoted letter, results in a net decrease of expenditure amounting to Rupees 10-8-0 per mensem, this small sum cannot be surrendered to Government as savings, as, since arranging the scheme with the Postmaster-General, I find that it will be a better arrangement to place the runners intended for the proposed new postal line towards Colloor between that station and the Kasba of the taluq *via* Wandse, instead of between Bydoor and Colloor as proposed. My Head Assistant brought to my notice what had been overlooked; that this alteration of line would give to another Police-station the advantage of postal communication. In consequence of this slight change of route, four instead of three runners will be required. I therefore propose to retain the abovementioned saving of Rupees 10-8-0 per mensem, as a reserve for the further improvement of the district post.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Copy of Judgment.

Copy of a letter from the Director-General of the Post Office of India, to the Postmaster-General, Madras, No. 5,647, *dated* 30*th December* 1873.

REFERRING to your endorsement No. 1,042-1,122, dated 20th November 1873, I beg to forward, for your information, a copy of the letter of the Postmaster-General of Bombay, No. 1,118,

Gungawally Post Office.,
Bydoor Post Office.,
Cundapoor to Bhatcul line.,

dated 17th December 1873, and to state that the transfer of the Post Offices and Mail line, described in the margin, to your control is approved.

No. 1398-1122,

True Copy forwarded to the Collector of South Canara for information.

BANGALORE,
8th January 1874.

(Signed) E. R. BOURKE,
Postmaster-General.

(True Copy)

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS,
Collector.

THESE proposals for the re-organization of the District Post in South Canara, which have been framed by the Collector in consultation with the Postmaster-General, will be submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. The lines from Puttur to the frontier towards Manzerabad and to Beltangadi are retained, but to secure daily service, one runner is added, and each of the two between Beltangadi and Upinangadi are to be required to do the whole distance daily, their pay being raised to Rupees 7 per mensem.

3. In lieu of the line from Mangalore to Agumba, with a branch from Karkal to Udipi, there are to be lines from Udipi to Agumba and from Mulky to Karkal. These lines take nine runners, costing Rupees 54, in lieu of fourteen runners, costing Rupees 84.

4. A new line with three runners from Bydoor to Colloor, with a District Post gumastah at the latter station, was first proposed, but in a later letter a line of four runners from Bydoor to Cundapoor *via* Wandse is suggested as preferable. It does not appear whether the gumastah proposed for Colloor is thus rendered unnecessary. It would seem so, and the Collector will report.

5. Five District Post gumastahs are to be abolished, and two new ones employed, giving a net saving of Rupees 40 in salaries and Rupees 3-8-0 in contingencies. One delivery peon will be dispensed with, the salaries of those retained equalized, and nine new ones employed. The result is an increase of charge of Rupees 37.

6. It is unnecessary to allude to difficulties which intervened in the Imperial Postal Department as they have been overcome; and as the new arrangement of the District Post promises greater efficiency at a permanent charge of Rs. 258-8-0 (including the Colloor gumastah) against Rupees 263, the present cost, the Board recommend it for sanction.

7. The net charge for the construction of huts, referred to in paragraph 14 of the Collector's first letter, can be met from savings in the current year in the District Post grant.

No. 218. ORDER THEREON, 25th March 1874, No. 381.

Miscellaneous.

THE arrangements proposed in these Proceedings for the re-organization of the District Post in South Canara are approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
" the A
" the Postmaster General.

Exd. W. H. French.

No. 555.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 12th March 1874.

Read the following letters :—

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Wandse, 12th January 1874, No. 48.

WITH reference to the marginally noted order* of Government, sanctioning the transfer of the management of the District Post of South Canara to the Postmaster-General, I have the honour to report, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that the Postmaster-General has since visited this district, and we have in personal consultation agreed on remodelling the whole establishment as follows:—

* G. O., dated 27th August 1873, No. 911, Revenue Department.

2. In the tabular statement appended to my letter of the 5th July last, No. 1,026, and printed with Board's Proceedings, dated the 5th August 1873, No. 1,493, I have given the existing lines of District Post, the number of runners employed on each line and the tappal gumastahs and delivery peons attached to each station, the whole establishment costing in the aggregate Rupees 263† per mensem. The Postmaster-General has now supplied me with a scheme under which the same means of communication can be maintained, and a daily tappal established throughout the lines for Rupees 252-8-0 per mensem, or Rupees 10-8-0 less than the present cost.

† Including Rupees 11, saderward allowance.

3. Out of the existing lines,‡ we have found it advisable to discontinue the one from Mangalore to Agumba, and in lieu of it to open a new line between Mulky and Karkal, and another from Udipi direct to Agumba. The same number of runners are required for both the old and new lines, but the arrangement has the advantage that the necessity for the present separate line from Udipi to Karkal is obviated (as these two stations can now communicate with each other *via* Mulky), and a saving of Rupees 30 a-month can be effected by the abolition of the runners on the latter line.

	Runners. No.	Cost. Rs.
1. Mangalore to Agumba ...	9	54
2. Udipi to Karkal... ...	5	30
3. Puttur to Manzerabad ...	8	48
4. Beltangadi to Uppinangadi	2	12
Total...		144

‡ ‡

4. The line from Puttur to Manzerabad (the portion of which between Uppinangadi and Manzerabad I stated was not wanted entirely for district purposes) we have proposed to retain for the benefit chiefly of the Manzerabad planters and the District Officers and Revenue Inspector travelling in that direction on duty as well as for the Police stationed at Sirady, for it is unlikely that

the line will be taken up by the Imperial Post unless the planters will contribute towards its cost. Hitherto complaints have been very frequent of the tardiness in the transit of the mail on this line, and in order to accelerate it, we find it necessary to post an additional runner, on Rupees 6 per mensem, at the point where the mails cross each other near the frontier where it is taken up by the Mysore Anche. The distances of the runners' stages being exactly calculated and better arrangements made for regulating the hours of despatch of the mails from either extremities, the Postmaster-General undertakes to secure a regular daily mail on this line, which will ensure the receipt of a letter despatched from Manzerabad within twenty-four hours at Mangalore and *vice versa*.

5. Between Beltangadi and Uppinangadi, a distance of fifteen miles, only two runners are now employed, as no number of runners can attain a speed that will catch the daily mail without losing a night, and as it is consequently more economical to pay two men Rupee 1 extra to do the whole distance leisurely.

6. In office establishments, etc., we at present spent Rupees 119 per mensem, as shown in the margin. Under the new arrangement the Postmaster-General is of opinion that the services of a gumastah on Rupees 20 at head-quarters are no longer required, and he proposes to open experimental Imperial Receiving Houses at Mulky, Karkal, Hosdroog, and Uppinangadi, which will cause a further saving of Rupees 45* in the cost of the present district staff. Besides this, the salaries of delivery peons are to be reduced to a uniform rate of Rupees 5 per mensem hereafter, which causes a saving of Rupees 3, and the present sanctioned allowance for Saderward charges of the different offices amounts to Rupees 11, while under the new scheme Rupees 7-8-0 will suffice.

	Rs.
1 Gumastah at head-quarters	20
1 Do. at Mulky	10
1 Do. at Karkal	10
1 Do. at Hosdroog	10
1 Do. at Uppinangadi	10
1 Do. at Sullya	10
7 Delivery Peons	38
Contingencies	11
	119
* Gumastah at Mulky and Delivery Peon...	15
Do. at Karkal, Hosdroog, and Uppinangadi	30
	45

7. The total net savings both in the cost of the runners (after their re-distribution) and in office establishments thus amounts to Rupees 93-8-0 per mensem, which sum is available for utilization in the further improvement of the District Post.

8. I propose to devote a portion of this saving to the opening of an experimental new district postal line between Bydoor and Colloor.

9. At Beltangadi where the district postal duties are performed by the dufterbund of the Sub-Magistrate's Office, the services of a separate tappal gumastah on Rupees 10 per mensem are required, and we propose to entertain one to relieve the Sub-Magistrate's establishment.

10. Our greatest want in the district is a sufficient number of taluq delivery peons to be employed in connection with the present Post Offices. The existence of a Post Office at any station is of itself of little practical use, unless it is provided with the means of receiving and distributing letters in the villages in its neighbourhood, and we have therefore agreed to employ nine additional delivery peons in connection with the Post Offices noted in the margin, at a monthly cost of Rupees 45. At present, letters for the interior are sent through the Tahsildars for distribution, and the delays which take place in their delivery is a source of frequent complaint. The District Gazettes despatched from my my office are also kept lying for weeks at the Taluq Cutcherries or Post Offices for want of peons to deliver them. The entertainment of the additional delivery peons will greatly obviate this inconvenience, as the Postmaster-General, will, with our aid, arrange for the delivery peons attached to each Post Office, visiting at least once a week all the villages within a radius of about 10 miles of each Post Office, distributing as well as collecting letters on their circuits.

	No. of Peons.
Manjeshwar	1
Udipi	2
Puttur	1
Bantwal	1
Kasargod	1
Kandapur	1
Mangalore	2
	9

11. I enclose, for the Board's information, copies of correspondence* with the Postmaster-General, together with a tabular statement† showing the financial effect of the proposed re-distribution of the District Post, which results in a monthly saving of Rupees 10-8-0; and to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained to the new scheme, in anticipation of which I have requested the Postmaster-General to set it on foot as soon as practicable, and have, in the meantime, handed over to him the management of the whole establishment from the 1st of November.

* Letter from Postmaster-General, 15th October 1873, No. 723, with enclosure.
To Postmaster-General, 16th October 1873, No. 1,741.
From do. 20th do. ,, No. 740.
To do. ,, do. ,, ,, 1,758.
From do. ,, do. ,, ,, 768.
From Inspector of Post Offices, 22nd October 1873, No. 3,079.
To Inspector of Post Offices, 27th October 1873, No. 1,797.

† Tabular Statement.

12. I have taken upon me to do this because there is no objection in a financial point of view to the Postmaster-General's at once carrying out the new scheme, with the exception of the opening of the new line between Bydoor and Colloor and the location of a separate tappal gumastah at Beltangadi, which arrangements are dependant on the savings which will accrue on the opening of experimental Imperial Receiving Houses at Mulky, Karkal, Hosdroog, and Uppinangadi, for which the Postmaster-General has to obtain separate sanction.

13. While discussing the whole scheme with the Postmaster-General, it was discovered that a portion of the north and south Imperial postal line, commencing from Kundapur and including the Post Offices at Gangoly and Bydoor, is under the management of the Bombay postal authorities, in accordance with an arrangement made when the district of North Canara was handed over to the Bombay Presidency. The arrangement was objected to by one of my predecessors in 1866, but without avail. As it will now interfere with the establishment of the proposed new line between Bydoor and Colloor, I have requested the Postmaster-General to take the necessary measures to relieve the Bombay authorities of the

charge of the line, and of the two Post Offices above alluded to; and beg to submit herewith copies of the former correspondence (Enclosure No. 3) on the subject.

14. The opening of the new lines between Mulky and Karkal, and Udipi and Agumba, alluded to in paragraph 3, necessitates the construction of eight new tappal huts for the accommodation of the runners at an estimated cost of Rupees 15 each, or Rupees 120 in all, for which I have no provision in my Budget. I have, therefore, the honour to request that the necessary sanction may be granted. A part of the outlay will probably be recouped by the sale-proceeds of the materials of the huts to be abandoned under the new arrangement.

15. I hope the above arrangements will meet the Board's approval.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, dated Mangalore, 15th October 1873, No. 723.

Referring to the conversation I had with you this morning regarding the District Post, I would beg to make the following propositions for your consideration and approval.

I would suggest that the District Post gumastah at Mangalore be abolished, and I propose opening experimental Receiving Houses at Mulky, Uppinangadi, and Hosdroog; this will enable you to make a monthly saving to the District Post Fund of Mangalore, Rupees 20.

	RS.
Mulky	15
Uppinangadi	10
Hosdroog	10
Total ..	55

In order to improve the service between Puttur and Manzerabad *via* Uppinangadi, I would make the following proposal.

The Imperial Mail from Mangalore arrives at Puttur between 3 and 4 A.M., that from Mysore and Mercara between 3 and 4 P.M. The Manzerabad mail should therefore leave Puttur immediately after the arrival of the Mangalore Mail or at 4 A.M. and proceed to Uppinangadi arriving not latter than 6 A.M., the distance being eight miles. It should leave Uppinangadi at 6-30 A.M., reaching Manzerabad at 6-30 P.M., forty-six miles, which is a little less than four miles an hour. The whole distance from Puttur to Manzerabad being fifty-two miles will require ten runners, and one runner more to be stationed at the point where the mails cross each other, thus making altogether eleven runners, cost of which will be Rupees 66 per mensem, of which the cost of nine should be borne by the District Post, the remainder, as at present, by the Mysore Anche. This will leave Rupees 54 to be paid by the District Post.

The mails from Manzerabad should leave at 4-30 A.M., arriving at Uppinangadi at 4-30 P.M., reach Puttur at 7 P.M., where it will be carried on by Imperial runners to Mangalore and arrive at 4-30 A.M.

Beltangadi should be served from Uppinangadi by two runners who will start from both extremities daily at 6-30 A.M., and arrive at Uppinangadi and Beltangadi at 11-30 A.M.; these runners having each to go fifteen miles a day, their pay should be 7 Rupees a month.

Respecting Karkal, I would suggest it be served from Mulky, the present line direct from Mangalore to Karkal being abolished. The distance is eighteen miles, requiring three runners at 6 Rupees a month, total Rupees 18. The mail from Mangalore arrives at Mulky at 11 A.M., and should be forwarded to Karkal at once, arriving at Karkal at 4 P.M. The mail from the north for Mangalore reaches Mulky at 9 A.M. The mail should therefore leave Karkal for Mulky at 3 A.M., arriving at Mangalore at 6 P.M. I also propose to abolish the two lines between Karkal and Udipi and Karkal and Agumba, establishing in lieu of the former the above proposed line between Karkal and Mulky, and for the latter I would suggest Agumba being served from Udipi, the distance being about thirty miles would take six runners, costing Rupees 36 a month.

The new line between Bydoor and Colloor, which you are desirous of opening, is about eighteen miles and would take three runners to serve it at the expense of Rupees 18 for runner's line, and Rupees 10 for the gumastah at Colloor, total Rupees 28. I would further suggest that there be district letter peons entertained at the following offices—Karkal, Udipi, Manjeshwar, Puttur, Bantwal, Kasargod, and Kundapur, on Rupees 5 a month each.

The attached statement will show the financial effect of these propositions.

ROUTES. Number	Lines.	Miles.	Stages.	Runners. No.	Runners. Cost.	STATIONS. Gumastahs. No.	Gumastahs. Cost.	Letter Peons. No.	Letter Peons. Cost.	Names.	Grand Total.	Contingencies.
							RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
						1	10 0 0	...	... ...	Colloor	10 0 0	1 8 0
1	Puttur to Canara frontier Manzerabad *via* Uppinangadi	38	8	9	54 0 0	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0	Sulliah	69 0 0	1 8 0
2	Beltangadi to Uppinangadi ...	15	2	2	14 0 0	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0	Beltangadi ...	29 0 0	1 8 0
3	Karkal to Mulky	18	3	3	18 0 0	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	Manjeshwar ...	23 0 0	1 8 0
4	Agumba to Udipi	30	6	6	36 0 0	1	... ...	1	5 0 0	Kumbala	41 0 0	1 8 0
5	Bydoor to Colloor...	18	3	3	18 0 0	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0	Karkal	33 0 0	1 8 0
	Total...	...	...	...	140 0 0	...	40 0 0	1	5 0 0	Do.	5 0 0	... ...
								1	5 0 0	Udipi...	5 0 0	... ...
								1	5 0 0	Puttur	5 0 0	... ...
								1	5 0 0	Bantwal	5 0 0	... ...
								1	5 0 0	Hosdroog	5 0 0	... ...
								1	5 0 0	Kasargod	5 0 0	... ...
								1	5 0 0	Kundapur	5 0 0	... ...
								1	5 0 0	Uppinangadi ...	5 0 0	... ...
						...	40 0 0	...	65 0 0		245 0 0	9 0 0

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, dated Mangalore, 16th October 1873, No. 1,741.

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, No. 723, I have the honour to state that the scheme proposed for remodelling the postal establishment of this district, is, in my opinion, a great improvement on the present arrangement, and I shall be obliged by your setting it on foot as soon as convenient and informing me of the same, on which the necessary orders shall be issued placing it under your control.

From Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, dated Mangalore, 20th October 1873, No. 740.

Since visiting Karkal, I am of opinion that an experimental Imperial Receiving House should be opened there with every prospect of success. I therefore, with your concurrence, propose doing so: this will effect a saving of Rupees 10 per month, which I should suggest your spending on two district delivery peons to be attached to Mangalore Post Office for delivery of letters and District Gazettes in the Mangalore Taluq.

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, dated Mangalore, 20th October 1873, No. 1,758.

In reply to your letter of the 20th instant, No. 740, I have the honour to inform you that your proposal to open an experimental Imperial Receiving House at Karkal and to spend the saving of Rupees 10 per mensem on two additional district delivery peons has my concurrence. I would however desire, on reconsideration, to make the slight alteration in the formerly proposed arrangement that only one district delivery peon be allowed to Karkal, instead of two as proposed on the 15th instant, and that the second peon be posted to Udipi, a more important station.

From Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, Madras, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq, Collector of South Canara, dated Mangalore, 20th October 1873, No. 708.

I have the honour in reply to your No. 1,758, of 20th October 1873, that I have directed the Inspector of Post Offices, 8th Division, to carry out your wishes, viz., that only one delivery peon be allowed for Karkal, the other being attached to Udipi.

From J. W. ROSE, Esq., Inspector of Post Offices, 8th or Calicut Division, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, dated Mangalore, 22nd October 1873, No. 3,079.

With reference to your letters to the Postmaster-General Madras, Nos. 1,741 and 1,758, dated, respectively, the 16th and 20th October 1873, I have the honour to request you will be so good as to issue the necessary instructions to the District Post gumastahs on the subject of the transfer, from 1st November 1873, of the District Post Offices in South Canara to this department.

2. I propose arranging for the opening of the following lines from the above date, viz:—

Puttur to Manzerabad.
Beltangadi to Uppinangadi.
Karkal to Mulky.
Agumba to Udipi.

3. I regret I am unable at present to take any action in the opening of the Bydoor and Colloor line, as the former office is under the jurisdiction of the Postmaster-General, Bombay Presidency, and further reference will be necessary on the matter.

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. W. ROSE, Esq., Inspector of Post Offices, 8th or Calicut Division, dated Mangalore, 27th October 1873, No. 1,797.

With reference to your letter of the 22nd instant, No. 3,079, I have the honour to inform you that the necessary instructions have been issued to the different District Post gumastahs, etc., intimating to them that the management of the District Post has been transferred to the Imperial postal department from the 1st November 1873.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS,
Collector.

Enclosure No. 2.

Statement showing the proposed Re-distribution of the District Postal Establishment of South Canara.

Routes. No.	Lines.	Miles.	Stages.	Runners. No.	Runners. Cost. Rs. A. P.	Stations. Names.	Gumastahs. No.	Gumastahs. Cost. Rs. A. P.	Letter Peons. No.	Letter Peons. Cost. Rs. A. P.	Contingencies. Rs. A. P.	Grand Total. Rs. A. P.
1	Puttur to Canara frontier Manzerabad *via* Uppinangadi	38	8	9	54 0 0	Sulliah	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0	1 8 0	
2	Beltangadi to Uppinangadi ...	15	2	2	14 0 0	Reltargadi ...	1	10 0 0	1	5 0 0	1 8 0	
3	Mulky to Karkal	18	3	3	18 0 0	Hosdroog	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	... ...	
4	Agumba to Udipi	30	6	6	36 0 0	Manjeshwar	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	1 8 0	
5	Bydoor to Colloor	18	3	3	18 0 0	Kumbala	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	1 8 0	
						Karkal	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	... ...	
						Udipi...	...	... ...	2	10 0 0	... ...	
						Puttur	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	... ...	
						Bantwal	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	... ...	
						Kasargod	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	... ...	
						Kundapur	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	... ...	
						Uppinangadi ...	...	... ...	1	5 0 0	... ...	
						Colloor	1	10 0 0	...	... ...	1 8 0	
						Mangalore	...	... ...	2	10 0 0	... ...	
	Total...	...	...	23	140 0 0		3	30 0 0	15	75 0 0	7 8 0	252 8 0
	Present cost of District Postal Establishment	...	...	...	144 0 0		...	70 0 0	...	38 0 0	11 0 0	263 0 0
						Saving... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	... ...	10 8 0

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS,
Collector.

Wandse,
12th January 1874.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

From E. IMPEY, Esq., Postmaster-General, Bombay, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, dated Baroda, 13th April 1866, No. 1,598.

THE Postmaster-General, Madras, has forwarded to me the correspondence you have had with him and the Collector of Canara in this Presidency respecting the Post Office at Bydoor, and I beg to acquaint you that as the Inspecting Postmaster of the Canara Collectorate in this Circle represented the likelihood of the town of Bydoor being self-supporting and gave evidence of the same, I represented the matter, in conformity with the Postal Rules, to the Director-General of the Post Office and obtained his sanction to the opening of an experimental Post Office at Bydoor, which accordingly took place on the 24th November last. The experiment proved successful, and I have recommended that the Post Office at Bydoor be made permanent.

2. I was unaware and have only now, after a lapse of four months, heard that the town was in your Collectorate, or that it was provided with any postal establishment, but I have not heard of any inconvenience attending its opening. On the contrary, great benefit appears to have been derived by the public at that place, as evinced by the correspondence received for and posted at Bydoor.

3. The circumstance of an Imperial Post Office being established at any town under the Government of India, or at Bydoor in particular, need not necessarily, I think, interfere with any arrangements in force for the service of local District Post with which the Post Office need has none but advantageous connection, and unless it proves detrimental to local or Imperial interests, I do not imagine consent would be obtained to its withdrawal or abolition. It may be transferred to the Madras Postal Circle if the Director-General of the Post Office thinks proper.

4 In regard of the payment of the Imperial Post line within the boundaries of your Collectorate, I have only to say that the line as now paid was transferred to me by the Postmaster-General, Madras, when the Canara Collectorate was divided and the northern portion transferred to the Bombay Presidency; I have not the least objection to the portion of it referred to by you being paid from Madras, with the Postmaster-General of which Presidency it remains to move in the matter.

From the same officer, dated 23rd June 1866, No. 2,463.

IN reference to my letter, No. 1,598, dated 13th April 1866, I have the honour to annex, for your information, extract, paragraph 2, of a letter, No. 508, dated 7th June 1866, from the Director-General of the Post Office.

(Signed) E. IMPEY,
Postmaster-General.

Extract, paragraph 2, of letter, No. 508, from the Director-General of the Post Office, to the Postmaster-General, Bombay.

I see no reason for transferring the line between Honore and Kundapur or the office at Bydoor, to Madras.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) GANPATRAO,
Head Assistant, for
Postmaster-General.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS,
Collector.

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From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Kundapur, 13th January 1874, No. 55.

IN continuation of my letter of the 12th instant, No. 48, I have the honour to report, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that the Inspector of Post Offices of the 8th Division has since informed me that the experimental Imperial Receiving Houses proposed to be opened at Mulky, Uppinangadi, Hosdroog, and Karkal, have since been sanctioned by the Director-General of Post Offices in India, and that the offices have accordingly been opened from the 1st December 1873.

2. The re-arrangement of the district postal establishment, in accordance with the scheme submitted in my above-quoted letter, has now been completed with the exception of the opening of the proposed new line of District Post between Bydoor and Colloor, alluded to in paragraph 8 of the above letter.

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Hossangady, 20th January 1874, No. 91-A.

ADVERTING to paragraph 13 of my letter of the 12th instant, No. 48, I have the honour to inform the Board that since addressing them, I have received the enclosed communication from the Postmaster-General, from which it appears that the Director-General of the Post Offices in India has sanctioned the transfer of the Imperial Post Offices and mail line between Kundapur and the northern frontier of this district, now under the Bombay postal authorities, to the control of the Postmaster-General, Madras, and there is therefore no further difficulty in opening the proposed new district postal line between Bydoor and Colloor.

2. I take this opportunity to note, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that although the revised postal scheme, submitted for sanction in my above-quoted letter, results in a net decrease of expenditure amounting to Rupees 10-8-0 per mensem, this small sum cannot be surrendered to Government as savings, as, since arranging the scheme with the Postmaster-General, I find that it will be a better arrangement to place the runners intended for the proposed new postal line towards Colloor between that station and the Kasba of the taluq *via* Wandse, instead of between Bydoor and Colloor as proposed. My Head Assistant brought to my notice what had been overlooked; that this alteration of line would give to another Police-station the advantage of postal communication. In consequence of this slight change of route, four instead of three runners will be required. I therefore propose to retain the abovementioned saving of Rupees 10-8-0 per mensem, as a reserve for the further improvement of the district post.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Copy of a letter from the Director-General of the Post Office of India, to the Postmaster-General, Madras, No. 5,647, dated 30th December 1873.

REFERRING to your endorsement No. 1,042-1,122, dated 20th November 1873, I beg to forward, for your information, a copy of the letter of the Postmaster-General of Bombay, No. 1,118, dated 17th December 1873, and to state that the transfer of the Post Offices and Mail line, described in the margin, to your control is approved.

Gungawally Post Office.,
Bydoor Post Office.,
Cundapoor to Bhatcul line,

No. 1398-1122,

True Copy forwarded to the Collector of South Canara for information.

BANGALORE,
8th January 1874.

(Signed) E. R. BOURKE,
Postmaster-General.

(True Copy)

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS,
Collector.

THESE proposals for the re-organization of the District Post in South Canara, which have been framed by the Collector in consultation with the Postmaster-General, will be submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. The lines from Puttur to the frontier towards Manzerabad and to Beltangadi are retained, but to secure daily service, one runner is added, and each of the two between Beltangadi and Upinangadi are to be required to do the whole distance daily, their pay being raised to Rupees 7 per mensem.

3. In lieu of the line from Mangalore to Agumba, with a branch from Karkal to Udipi, there are to be lines from Udipi to Agumba and from Mulky to Karkal. These lines take nine runners, costing Rupees 54, in lieu of fourteen runners, costing Rupees 84.

4. A new line with three runners from Bydoor to Colloor, with a District Post gumastah at the latter station, was first proposed, but in a later letter a line of four runners from Bydoor to Cundapoor *via* Wandse is suggested as preferable. It does not appear whether the gumastah proposed for Colloor is thus rendered unnecessary. It would seem so, and the Collector will report.

5. Five District Post gumastahs are to be abolished, and two new ones employed, giving a net saving of Rupees 40 in salaries and Rupees 3-8-0 in contingencies. One delivery peon will be dispensed with, the salaries of those retained equalized, and nine new ones employed. The result is an increase of charge of Rupees 37.

6. It is unnecessary to allude to difficulties which intervened in the Imperial Postal Department as they have been overcome; and as the new arrangement of the District Post promises greater efficiency at a permanent charge of Rs. 258-8-0 (including the Colloor gumastah) against Rupees 263, the present cost, the Board recommend it for sanction.

7. The net charge for the construction of huts, referred to in paragraph 14 of the Collector's first letter, can be met from savings in the current year in the District Post grant.

(True Copies and Extract.)

H Elliott

Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
,, the Collector of South Canara.

Copy to the Postmaster-General.

Exd. W. H. French.

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Received 18th March

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No. 555.

South Canara District Post.—Proposals for re-organization of — framed by Collector in consultation with Postmaster-General, submitted to Government for sanction. № 381

Mad. The arrangements proposed in these Proceedings for the re-organization of the district Post in South Canara are approved &c.

&c. 26. 8. 74

13 Encl. to Govt.
5 to Asst. Coll.
1 to P.M. Mr. Bird.

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