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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department,
11th February 1875.*

French Possessions

No. 29. Read the following Despatch from the Government of India, to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, dated Fort William, 29th January 1875, No. 23:—

We have the honor to acknowledge receipt of a copy of your Lordship's Despatch to the Government of Fort St. George, No. 12, dated 29th October last.

2. The inconveniences arising from the existence of detached French possessions within British territory have already formed the subject of frequent correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of India, and the advantages to be derived from the cession of such possessions have been fully recognized by us. We should, therefore, be disposed to support the request of the Government of Fort St. George.

3. We are, however, of opinion that any negotiations which may be entered into with the view of bringing about a cession of territory should not be restricted to the Factory at Calicut and the Pettah at Masulipatam, but should rather embrace the whole question of territorial exchange.

4. It would, in our opinion, be a most satisfactory result of these negotiations if some comprehensive arrangement could be effected on the basis of the draft Convention referred to in Lord Stanley's Despatch, No. 28, dated 15th June 1859, by which the whole of the French possessions in India, with the exception of Pondicherry and Karikal, should be ceded in consideration of some increase of territory at the former settlement.

5. In conclusion, we beg to inform your Lordship that we have intimated to the Government of Madras that a despatch on a subject affecting the integrity of Her Majesty's Indian dominions should have been submitted to the Secretary of State through the Government of India.

No. 308-P.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras for *consideration and guidance.*

(By order, &c.)

FOREIGN DEPT., POLITICAL,
FORT WILLIAM, 29th Jan. 1875.

(Signed) F. HENVEY,
C^{of}g. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 30.

ORDER THEREON, 11th February 1875, No. 87.

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(True Extract.)

[Signature]

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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French Government.—Letter from the Govern-
ment of India, on the subject of negotiating for the
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