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Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 164-A. From C. T. LONGLEY, Esq., Collector of the Salem District, to J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 31st August 1877, Extra No. 3 8.

In reply to your telegram, despatched 30th 11-10 P.M., received by me at Salem at 1 P.M. 31st, I have the honor to enclose copy of letter received from the officer in charge of the Government Telegraph Office at Salem. You will perceive from this communication that last Tuesday's telegram reached the Telegraph Office at 10-45 A.M. on the 28th, in ample time for the message to have reached Government by the hour fixed (2 P.M.)

2. As I pointed out in a former communication, messages are frequently delayed on the G.S.I., and I have again to request Government will permit the Tuesday's telegram to be sent by the railway wire direct to Madras. The present arrangement is unsatisfactory, for, though I know the message leaves my cutcherry, according to stringent orders, at 10 A.M. every Tuesday and reaches the Telegraph Office (four miles distant) between 10-40 and 10-45, I can never be sure how many hours it will take to reach Madras. In the present case the message apparently was about 24 hours in transit, but the fault, as I have shown, was not with my office. The G.S.I. is responsible for the delay.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Mr. J. W. ROSS, Telegraph Master, Govt. Telegraph Office, Salem, to C. T. LONGLEY, Esq., Collector of Salem, dated 31st August 1877, No. 19.

In reply to the preceding letter, I have the honor to state that the telegram alluded to was booked in this office at 10-45 A.M. (28th) and was transferred to the South Indian Railway Company's Office at Erode at 10-58 A.M. the same date, after which the message passes wholly on that Company's lines to Madras.

No. 164-B. ORDER THEREON, 10th September 1877, No. 2,692-A.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras, with a request that inquiry may be made into the reason for the great delay which occurs in the transmission of telegrams from Salem to Madras. Similar complaints of delay have reached the Government from Coimbatore.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Additional Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Salem.
" the Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

Salem Collector's off

Salem 31st August 18

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From,

The Collector of

Salem.

To,

The Additional Secretary

to Government

Madras

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Your most obed^t. Serv^t.
C. J. Souper
Collector

Comp^d
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I have &c

(Signed) J. W. Ross.
Telegraph Master
G. T. O. Salem.

(True copy)

C. J. [illegible]
Collector.

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Enclosure in a Letter
from the Collr. of Salem
to the Actg. Secy. to Govt.
Madras, No. [illegible] dated
31st August 77.

Copy of Salem
Telegraph Master's
Letter.

Recd 10 Sept/77 [illegible]