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Telegram from Secretary of State, dated 17th December 1877.

Financial Resolution, No. 515, dated 25th January 1878.

Read also—

Financial despatch from Secretary of State for India, No. 40, dated 14th February 1878, and enclosures.

RESOLUTION.—Till the close of the year 1877, European and American newspapers and other periodical publications were obtained from the Secretary of State through the agency of the Financial Department of the Government of India. The orders of the Government of India on the questions raised in despatch, No. 477, of 1876, being still incomplete, the usual indent for 1878 was forwarded in October 1877 to the Assistant Under Secretary of State for India for the supply of such periodical publications to the various departments of the Government of India, and to the public offices in the Presidency of Bengal, and in Mysore and Hyderabad. The Secretary of State replied to this requisition by a telegram, dated 17th December 1877, in which he ruled that, with reference to the instructions contained in his Financial Despatch, No. 477, of 7th December 1876, newspapers and periodicals, other than official publications, would no longer be supplied by the India Office, and that measures for procuring them through local agency should be immediately adopted. Similar instructions were given to the Governments of Madras and Bombay. These instructions reached the Government of India late in the year; and, in order to avoid the inconvenience that must have arisen if each Department and Local Government had been called upon to make its own arrangements for the year 1878, tenders were invited by the Government of India in the Financial Department from certain book-sellers in Calcutta, and arrangements were eventually concluded with Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Co., for the supply of the necessary periodical publications to all public offices authorised to receive them in the Bengal Presidency during the year 1878. The terms of the arrangements are detailed in the Resolution of January 1878, read in the preamble.

2. The views of the Secretary of State were again pressed upon the Government of India in his Financial despatch, No. 40, dated 14th February 1878. It is observed in that despatch—

[Paragraph 4] "that, in addition to the periodicals and newspapers enumerated in the list sent with letter, No. 87 (dated 25th October 1877), there are many other publications under regular provision to various officers in the Bengal Presidency on indents received from time to time. Large supplies of periodicals and newspapers are also sent to the Presidencies of Madras and Bombay."

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3. Following these instructions the Governor-General in Council is pleased to

direct, in supersession of all existing rules and orders on the subject, that, subject only to the conditions, so far as they apply, specified in paragraph 4* of Secretary of State's despatch, No. 477, dated 7th December 1876, the several Departments of the Government of India, and the several Local Governments and Administrations, shall henceforth make their own arrangements for the supply of such newspapers and periodicals published in Europe and America as they may require for their own use and for the use of the officers subordinate to them.

4. You will observe that the Committee, having regard to the importance of reducing, as far as possible, payments in this country, as well as of expediting the supply of stores for India, recommend that, in substitution for the present rule requiring orders for all stores to be given through this office, it should be left to your Government, and to the Local Governments and Administrations (subject to any detailed orders of your Government, and within the limits of their several powers to incur expenditure), to decide as to the mode in which, and the persons from whom, supplies of any kind may be obtained, subject to the conditions that nothing except articles of Indian origin shall be purchased or ordered in India, unless it can be paid for on delivery after approval there, and that no advances shall be made to any agent or firm for any such service.

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5. The Secretary of State has been requested to supply no publication (except such Parliamentary papers as are now supplied) after the close of the year 1878, for which a separate indent shall not be submitted to him.

ORDERED that this Resolution be distributed for information and guidance as follows:—

- 1.—To the several Departments of the Government of India.
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- 3.—To the Comptroller-General, and to the several Accountants-General and Deputy Accountants-General in independent charge.
- 4.—To the several Chiefs of Departments administered by the Government of India in the Financial Department.

(Signed) E. J. SINKINSON,
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No. 99.

ORDER THEREON, 18th July 1878, No. 1255.

Communicated to the Departments of the Secretariat, to the High Court, and to all Heads of Departments with the request that they will furnish, with as little delay as possible, lists of the periodicals and newspapers which are now supplied to them from England, in view to arrangements being made for obtaining the periodicals, &c., in future through one of the book-sellers at Madras.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

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" Public Works Department.

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Exd. C. Howarth.

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Notes.—This is a list of the periodicals and newspapers which are now supplied to all Heads of Departments and the High Court for England called for in view to arrangements being made for obtaining the periodicals, &c., twice through one of the book-sellers in London.

W. H. Carter

Commissioner of Customs & Excise
General Revenue
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