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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 564 Press Mis.

123-124

Dated 8 — 8 — 1867.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 8th March 1867.

No. 123. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th February 1867, No. 1,186.

Read the following letter from the Collector of South Canara, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mangalore, 28th January 1867, No. 19 :—

1. I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Board, a claim made by the Municipal Commission for tax upon the Printing Press maintained in my Office under Schedule A., Class I., appended to Madras Act X. of 1865.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Tax for half-year ending on the 30th April 1867	12	8	0

2. I am not exactly aware whether the Press, as Government property, is liable to be taxed. I think it cannot be so, as Government contribute its share to the Fund by paying one-twelfth part of the amount annually fixed for the maintenance of the Town Police.

3. The question will, however, be a general one, and if the Board consider that the Commissioners are right in their demand, I beg that they will be pleased to sanction the payment asked for.

4. The payment, if sanctioned, small as it is, may be met from the amount of Rupees 750, provided in the Budget of the present year for purchase of printing materials, &c.

In submitting for the consideration of Government the question raised in the above letter, the Board would beg to suggest that the same course should be adopted in respect to Collectors' Presses, as is pursued with regard to the Gazette Press at Madras.

No. 124. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1867, No. 564.

Miscellaneous.

1. Unquestionably the Government Press in the Collector's Office is *not* liable to be taxed under the Towns' Improvement Act.

2. The Government are at a loss to understand how the point can have been deemed open to doubt.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.