Revenue (189) Department.

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G.O., No. 543

DATED 20th March 97

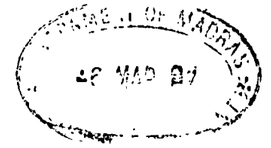
[Despatch Abstract.]

Comm[S] to the B. of Rev. letter from the Govt of India requesting that the Customs Depts in Madras may be authorized to pass in without detailed examination in the Custom House remittances of Rupees received from Ceylon certified by the Bank of Madras to have been received by their branches at Ceylon or Mauritius.

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From G of I. Finance & Commerce Dept.

No. 930A.

Encl^r N^o. 553 d/6^th March 1897.
Transferred to the
Revenue Department in
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No. 2379 d/ 26^th September 95

A.D. Knapp
Ag Assistant Secy.

Dft. 5/3/97 d/5/3/97

The Hon. Mr Bliss C.S.I.
Order his No. 1543 d/ 20^th March 1897.

20/3/97

Communicated to the Board
of Revenue for the issue of the necessary
instructions

19.3.97

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To the Board of Revenue, Separate Revenue.
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SUBJECT.

Requesting that the Customs Dept. in Madras may be authorised to pass in without detailed examination in the Custom House; Remittances of Rupees received from Ceylon & Certified by the Bank of Madras to have been received by their branches at Ceylon or Mauritius.

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NOTE FOR THE SECRETARY.

The Board will issue the necessary instructions with reference to G.O no 1543 dy 20.3.97 if it has not already done so. For orders as to whether a copy of the G.O. should be sent to him now. It seems unnecessary to do so now

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26/4/97

Secy.
Please have copy made.
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Secy N.
27/4/97

No. 3421. 29th January 1897.

From

The Commissioner of Paper Currency, Madras.

To

The Head Commissioner of Paper Currency, Calcutta.

Sir,

I have the honour to report the following for your instructions.

2. The S.S. "Bengal" which arrived here on the 16th, brought a remittance of 160 boxes containing 10 Lakhs of Current Government of India Rupees for the Bank of Madras. As the above specie was remitted by their branch bank at Colombo, a foreign port, 8 cases out the consignment were selected by the Customs officials and brought into the Custom House in the Custody of the Banks guard for examination, with reference to instructions based on the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Dept. letter No. A/4440, dated 12th September 1895, A considerable delay occurred before the boxes were released from the Customs, and with reference to this the Bank has requested the Custom Authorities to permit the money to be removed direct

direct to the Currency Office, where the testing is more expeditious. The Custom House has no objection to this course, provided the remittance remains in the Bank's Custody until taken over here.

3. I, however, object. Remittances are not always landed within office hours or on working days. Moreover a responsible officer has to be present when the boxes are opened. Besides it is not always possible to take up the examination directly since other remittances may be awaiting examination. Nor do I see why we should oblige the Bank in this matter. Our obligation is only to exchange notes or coin for coin or notes over the counter, and it is merely an (unfortunate) result of the provisions of the Currency Act, that the Presidency Banks can force us to hold their hard cash by tendering it in exchange for notes. It is not our duty to receive packed coin and to sheriff it. There is however so little risk of coin current in Colombo being more counterfeit than coin current in India that I think the Customs might be directed to waive their duty of detailed examination on the Bank's certifying that the coin landed is coin received by their branch or branches in Ceylon or Mauritius in the ordinary course of business.

I have &c
Sd. F.C. Harrison
Commissioner of Paper Currency.

(True Copy)
C. Hamilton.
Registrar,
Finance & Commerce Dept.

The Treasury.
Currency and Debt Section,
Calcutta.
The 12th February 1897.

No. 553.

From
The Head Commissioner of Paper Currency, Calcutta.

To
The Secretary to the Government of India,
Finance and Commerce Department,
Calcutta.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward a copy of a letter No. 3421, dated 29th January 1897, from the Commissioner of Paper Currency, Madras, in which he suggests that to prevent inconvenience to the Bank of Madras permission may be given to the Customs Department, Madras, to pass in remittances of Rupees received from Ceylon without detailed examination in the Custom House upon the Bank's certifying that the coin had been received by their branches at Ceylon or Mauritius in the ordinary course of business.

The Customs Examination of Silver coin has been prescribed by the Madras Government in consequence of letter from the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department

Department. No. 4440, dated 12th September 1895, in which the Madras Government was desired to instruct Customs officers to keep a vigilant watch against the importation of Counterfeit Rupees. There will however, in my opinion be no real risk of admitting Counterfeit Coins into India by exempting remittances of coin certified by the Bank of Madras to have been received at their branches. Before acceptance at those branches, it will have been examined and passed by persons far more skilled than any Custom Officer in detecting false coin. No other Bank has made any complaint of inconvenience of this kind and probably the Bank of Madras is the only one which is in the habit of receiving such remittances from Ceylon.

I have &c
sd/ W.F. Cox,
Offg. Head Commissioner.

No. 930-A.

Government of India,
Finance and Commerce Department.
Calcutta, the 25th February 1897.

To
The Secretary to the Government of Madras
Finance Department

CHIEF SECRETARY
1-MAR 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Sir,

In continuation of the letter from this Department No. 4440-A, dated the 12th September 1895, I am directed to forward a copy of the papers noted on the margin and to request that, should His Excellency the Governor in Council see no objection, the Customs Department in Madras may be authorised to pass in their detailed examination in the Custom House

No. 3944
2-10-95

Letter from the Head Commissioner of Currency, No. 553, dated the 12th February 1897 and its enclosure.

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Have issued instructions as per margin of Rs. C.C. No. 1543 Rev. Dept. dated 20th March 97 for transit to Calcutta of Currency Commissioner's Treasure & the same does not appear to have been communicated to this office.

64 Word Form. F.C.2.

Reply Sent 14/4/97

G.O. 1543 of 20th March '97 in transit to Calcutta. Copy will be furnished on its arrival there.

(O.C.) 14/4/97.

Orders issued by this office will please attend to this

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Rec'd. remittances of Rupees received from Ceylon and certified by the Bank of Madras to have been received by their branches at Ceylon or Kandy in the ordinary course of business.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant.

H. A. Gamble
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Copy forwarded to the Head Commissioner of Paper Currency, with reference to his letter No. 353, dated the 12th February 1897.

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