D/P 2,000—5-8-08.

Revenue (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 2561—2561A

DATED 17th June

[Despatch Abstract.]

Forwarding to the Govt of Sind a copy of the despatch to the Rt. Hon. the Secy. of State with list of a case of stamps sent by S. S. Montrosa.

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Revenue (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 3639

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From The Gouvernment of India Finance & Commerce Dept

Order Rev. No. 2561 dy 17th June 98.

ordered that a copy of the ~~despatch~~ despatch to the Right Hon'ble the Secy of State for India No 2 dy 16th June 98 together with its enclosures be forwarded to the Govt of India.

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No. 2193 A.R.

Dated 13th May

Received 19th

Registered 19th

Enclosures 2.

Spare copies.

SUBJECT.

Forwarding to the Govts of Madras, Bombay and Bengal copies of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for India re. Rules & Regulations in force for the safe custody of Stamps & Stamped papers and requesting that the information asked for may be furnished to this Dept.

Endorsement Revs. No. 2561A.

copy to the Govt of India Dept of Finance & Comm. with reference to their endt dy 13-5-98.

Rev. 1193 S.P. Dy. 20.6.98.

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India Office,
London, 14th April 1898.

Financial (Stores),
No. 6.

To His Excellency The Right Honourable The Governor General of India in Council.

My Lord,

I forward, for your Excellency's information, a copy of my Financial (Stores) Despatch to the Government of Madras, No. 1, dated 20th January 1898, and of the telegrams referred to therein, and I request that I may be furnished with a copy of the Rules and Regulations in force in regard to the safe custody of stamps and stamped papers at Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, while in transit from the hold of the export vessel to the stores of the Stamp Department.

2. I desire to be informed whether the cases containing stamps or stamped papers are examined immediately on being landed from the ship by a properly constituted surveying authority; whether such cases are kept separate on the wharf, or elsewhere, from other cargo; in whose custody they remain, and under what safeguards, from the time of landing till that of their arrival at their ultimate destination; and what steps are taken for reporting any loss or damage.

I have the honour to be,
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient humble Servant,
(Signed) GEORGE HAMILTON.

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India Office,
London, 20th January 1898.

Financial (Stores),
No. 1.

To His Excellency The Honourable The Governor in Council, Fort St. George.

Loss of case of service Postage Stamps at Madras.

* From the Governor of Madras to the Secretary of State, dated 18th December 1897.
From the Secretary of State to the Governor of Madras, dated 22nd December 1897.
From the Governor of Madras to the Secretary of State, dated 6th January 1898.

SIR,

With reference to the telegrams marginally noted,* I request that I may be furnished with a full report on the circumstances attending the loss of a case of Stamps *ex* S.S. "Mombassa" in October last, and on the steps taken for its recovery.

2. I shall also be glad to be informed what are the regulations in force at Madras for securing the safe delivery *ex* ship of Postage Stamps and other valuable cargo, and for securing that any loss shall at once be reported to the proper authorities.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant,
(Signed) GEORGE HAMILTON.

ENCLOSURES.

No. 1.

Telegram from the Government of Madras, dated 18th December 1897.

Out of 63 cases of stamps shipped per steamer "Mombassa" in September last, Case 5,669, containing two-anna service postage stamps and four-anna service postage stamps, is reported missing. Inquiry has been made regarding missing package at Calcutta and other places. I have asked Government of India to publish Notification inviting attention of all local Governments and Administrations to the loss.

No. 2.

Telegram from the Secretary of State to the Government of Madras, dated 22nd December 1897.

Your telegram, 18th December last. Stamps. Have ascertained that tally clerk, Government Stores, Madras, has acknowledged receipt of 63 cases, 3rd October—4th October. When was subsequent loss discovered? What is cause of delay in reporting?

No. 3.

Telegram from the Government of Madras, dated 6th January 1898.

Your telegram of 22nd December. Stamps. No Government servant has acknowledged receipt of 63 cases, but contractor for landing Government stores has acknowledged receipt of 63 cases. Loss of one case discovered in unloading boats. Delay is due to inquiries as to manner of loss.

No.2196-S.R.

Government of India.

FINANCE and COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 13th May 1898.

Read-

Despatch from the Secretary of State for India No.6 Finl. (Stores), dated 14th April 1898.

Orders that copies of the despatch be forwarded to the Governments of Madras, Bombay and Bengal, with the request that the information asked for therein may be furnished to this Department.

J.A. Robertson

Offg. Asstt. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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DEPARTMENT.
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Dated 30-5-98

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