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G.O., No. 405-406

DATED 3rd May 1913..

[Despatch Abstract.]

Copyright Act — Addressing the Govt of India on the
question of the introduction of legislation similar to the
English — into the native States of India

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No. 644 I.-A.

FROM

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

in the Foreign Department,

To

The Hon'ble Mr. A. G. Cardew, C.S.I.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Dated Simla, the 31st March 1913.

SIR,

I am directed to refer to the circular letter from the Government of India in the Education Department, No. 1818-1827, dated the 1st August 1912, regarding the proposed introduction of the English Copyright Act (1 and 2, Geo. V, Chapter 46) into India.

2. The question has been raised in the House of Commons of inviting the Native States to introduce similar legislation into their territories in order to secure more complete provision against infringement of copyright throughout India. The Government of India have hitherto been of opinion that the cases of piracy in Native States have not been of sufficient frequency or importance to justify any action in the above direction. But in view of the prominence that has recently been given to the subject of copyright I am to request that the Government of India may be favoured with the views of the Governor in Council on the desirability of approaching the more important Durbars of the Madras Presidency in the matter.



I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

R. Chennin Frenck

Assistant Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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C. No. 1215 From the Govt of I. No 644-24 dated 31-3-1913.

SUBJECT.

Copyright legislation in Native states.

The Govt of India (in the Foreign Dept.) request to be favoured with the views of this Govt. on the desirability of approaching the more important Durbars of this Presidency in the matter of introducing Copyright legislation into their territories. In their letter no. 946 LdL dated the 29th October 1912 this Govt have already recommended that the English Copyright Act of 1911 should be extended to Native states by an order in council under section 28 thereof. The Govt of India do not refer to this ^{recommendation} in their present reference. It is probable that the attention of that Govt has not been specifically drawn to this Govt's recommendation; in that case it would be sufficient if they were referred to this Govt's letter - no. 946 LdL D. 29-10-12 & it is for consideration whether this may be done.

FR. The desirability of extending the Act to native states having been specially recommended by this Govt, it is immaterial

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(Foreign)
This Govt's letter
was addressed
to the Secy. of the
Govt.

So far as they are concerned whether such extension is effected by special legislation locally or by under the provisions of Section 28 of the Act. It is not clear what objections there are to adopting the latter course. If the Govt of India consider that course not feasible, this point need not, it is submitted, object to special local legislation. A draft reply is submitted for approval. If approved, it may be sent to Political for acceptance.

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The Assistant Secy in the Incharge dept is Captain Chenevix-Trench. Perhaps the ~~for reference~~ first sentence of the draft may therefore require a slight change. ~~The same~~ The draft letter may be accepted

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will be addressed.

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Letter No 406 9203.5.13

To

The Secy to the Govt. of India
Foreign Departt.

Sir,

Captain Chenevix-Trench

With reference to ^{my} ~~the~~ ^{Secretary's} letter No. 644-T.1,
dated 3rd March 1913 regarding
the introduction of legislation
similar to the English Copy-
right Act into native States,
I am directed to refer
you to my letter to the Depart-
ment of Education of the Govt. of
India No. 946, dated 29th
October 1912 ~~in which~~ ^{conveying} the opinion of the
Govt. of Madras ^{as to the} desirability of extending
the application of the English

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act to Native States under
 the power reserved in Section
 28 of that Act. & for any
 reason it is considered
 undesirable to take ad-
 vantage of this course, &c.
 the Governor-in-Council
~~has no~~ I am to state ^{SELF} ~~that~~
 no objection to approaching
 the ^{most} important Durbar
 to introduce similar
 legislation into their terri-
 tories.

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