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EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council, in the Financial Department, under date the 6th February 1857.

Financial Consultation, 7th September 1855, Nos. 89 and 90.

Read again the papers noted in the margin.

Read para. 85 of a Despatch from the Hon'ble the Court of Directors, addressed to the Government of India, in the Financial Department, No. 97 of 1856, dated the 19th November.

Para. 85. We cannot acquiesce in your having ruled that it may be "discretionary with the several Local Governments when good cause is shown for the indulgence, to sanction Leave of Absence, under Section XIV. of the new Rules," (the Section which authorizes the grant of six months' leave on special private affairs) "to such parties as may not have occasion to apply for the whole at once, in instalments not to exceed in the aggregate six months in six years." This interpretation would have the practical effect of making the grant of this description of leave almost as much a matter of course as the grant of the privilege leave of one month in each year, whereas it is our intention, and Clause 3 of the Rule, Section XIV. expressly states, that it should be the duty of the Government to consider and determine, in each case, whether the grounds of the application are sufficiently urgent to justify the concession of the leave. The Rule will therefore remain in its original form.

ORDER.—Ordered, that a copy of the above paragraph be published in the Calcutta Official Gazette for general information, and that a transcript thereof be sent to the Governments noted in the margin, and also to the Civil Auditor, Fort William, in supersession of the Orders dated 7th September 1855.

Ordered also, that a copy of the para. be forwarded to the Home and Foreign Departments for information.

(True Extract)

Secretary to the Government of India.

