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No. 58. Read the following letter from Mr. J. HIGGINBOTHAM; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 2nd November 1859.

I beg to forward for submission to the Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copy of a new edition of Strange's Hindu Law, with an introduction by J. D. Mayne, Esq., which I have just passed through the Press at considerable cost.

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