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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 692	<u>Press</u> <u>Mis.</u>
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Dated 18-5-1859	

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
from 18th to 27th May 1859.*

No. 6. Read the following letter from H. FORBES, Esq., Member for Madras of the Legislative Council; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort William, the 23rd April 1859.

1. I have had the honor to receive your letters of the 6th December 1858, No. 1713, and the 3rd of January 1859, No. 3, on the subject of the Bill brought in by Mr. Currie, "to provide for the punishment of breaches of contract by Artificers, Workmen, and Laborers in certain cases."

2. The first of these letters enclosed a copy of a letter from the Sudder Court of Adawlut, expressing the concurrence of the Judges in an opinion offered by the Magistrate of Canara, that the proposed Law should not be confined to the Presidency towns, and the second letter expressed the assent of the Government to a proposal made in a Minute of His Lordship the late Governor, that the provisions of the Bill should be extended to the Provinces.

3. I have now the honor to inform the Government that an amendment was introduced by the Select Committee which has been agreed to by a Committee of the whole Council, to the effect that the provisions of the Act may be extended by the Executive Government of any Presidency to any place within its jurisdiction. The general application of the Law will be therefore limited only by the opinion of the Government of the fitness of their Local Officers to be entrusted with the enforcement of its provisions.

No. 7. ORDER THEREON, 18th May 1859, No. 692.

Ordered to be communicated to the Sudder Udalt, in reference to their letter, 24th November last, No. 112, and to the Revenue Department, in reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, 11th December last, No. 1652, in that Department.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Wm. H. George }
18 May 1859.

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