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*Judicial* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,  
for the month of April 1860.*

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No. 9. Read the following letter from Messrs. PARRY and Co., Agents East Indian Iron Company, to the Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, Fort Saint George, dated 16th March 1860.

With reference to the annexed extract from a letter from the General Manager of the East Indian Iron Company, we have the honor to request that you will inform us if the wearing of belts over the shoulder by private peons is prohibited in the District of Malabar.

*EXTRACT.*

At the three other works the peons wear their belts over their shoulders, but here in Malabar I am told it is not allowed, and that their belts must be worn round the waist.

No. 10. ORDER THEREON, 11th April 1860, No. 424.

Messrs. Parry and Co. will be informed that the wearing of belts over the shoulders by Peons not in the employ of Government, has been disallowed by Government since the year 1844, and that the Magistrate of Malabar has acted correctly in prohibiting it.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,  
Chief Secretary.

Act No 18 of 1835.

Copied from  
the Gazette - as  
it is not given  
in Clarke's  
Collection.

That no person shall wear, or be accessory to the wearing, by any other person of any Khurpas or Badge, intended to resemble any Khurpas or Badge worn by servants of the Government, and every person violating this rule, shall be punishable by fine and imprisonment, or conviction before a Magistrate, as for a misdemeanor.

That every Khurpas or Badge worn by any person not being a servant of the Government, shall bear the name of the party by whom the wearer is employed, and whoever shall wear a Khurpas or Badge, or be accessory to the wearing such Khurpas or Badge otherwise than in conformity to this rule, shall be punishable by fine and imprisonment, or conviction before a Magistrate, as for a misdemeanor.

Memo.

A MS. Copy of Act XVIII-1835 is attached.

E. M. C. -

14<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1844.

No. 1316.

Govt., conceiving that the spirit of this Act prohibits the use, by private individuals, of badges resembling or liable to be mistaken for those worn by the Servts. of Govt., declined on this ground to sanction the wearing of a belt over the shoulder.

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This ruling was approved by the Home Govt.

E. M. C. -

16<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1848

No. 820.

The attention of the Board of Revenue was called to this matter in view to directing the discontinuance (of any practice) not in strict conformity to the intention of the law.

E. M. C. -

25 Jan'y 1855

No. 73.

On a question being raised as to <sup>in which</sup> way the Railway peons in Palghat, Malabar, wore their belts - Govt. observed that the Magistrate should act on the construction of Act XVIII - 1853, expressed in Ex. Mins. Cons. 14<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1844. If his proceedings were objected to, the matter might be carried in appeal to the Sessions Court, & eventually if necessary to the Court of Foujdari Adalat - & the point be finally set at rest. The Consulting Engineer was at the same time requested to impress on the Railway Co. the propriety of avoiding discussion.

Despatch

No. 5 of 1856 -

para. 23.

The Hon'ble Court thought it very proper that the mode in which badges are worn, should distinguish Railway peons from Govt. Peons.

Order thereon N<sup>o</sup> 424 - 11<sup>th</sup> April 1860. 115

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See notes from Mr. Barry -  
about the wearing of belts  
in 1844 Dec 1844 - but  
note that is the order issued in  
1844. Mr. Barry & Co. { disp. 14<sup>th</sup> }  
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