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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 6th September* 1861.

No. 43. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council in the Home Department, under dated the 21st August 1861.

Read again the undermentioned correspondence on the subject of the Tabular Form in which the Annual Returns of the Jail Expenditure of the different Local Governments and Administrations are submitted, *viz.* :—

Letter from the Civil Finance Commission, No. 119, dated 22nd September 1860, with one enclosure, making a suggestion on this subject.

Circular letter, dated 2nd October 1860, issued from this Deparment, in which it was requested that an Annual Return of Jail Expenditure might be made in the Form recommended by the Civil Finance Commission from the 1st January 1860.

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OBSERVATIONS.—The Governor General in Council observes that the Circular above noted has been misunderstood by some of the Authorities to whom it was sent, as calling for a new and distinct Return of Jail Expenditure. All that it was intended to suggest, however, was that the Form recommended by the Civil Finance Commission should be adopted, in supersession of existing Forms of a similar nature where such existed, in the ordinary Annual Jail Reports of the several Governments.

The misconception has probably arisen from the direction contained in the Circular, that the new Form should be adopted "*from the* 1st *of January*," which expression, indicating apparently the use of the calendar year, may have suggested the idea that a Return was required distinct from the ordinary Jail Returns, which embrace the period of the official year.

The expression was, however, inadvertent, and the Governor General in Council now requests that the explanation given above of the object in prescribing the new Form may in future be acted upon.

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No. 1,647.

Ordered, that a copy of the above Observations be forwarded for information and guidance to the Government of Fort Saint George.

(Signed) A. M. MONTEATH,
*Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.*

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No. 44. ORDER THEREON, 6th September 1861, No. 1,124.

Communicated to the Inspector General of Jails, in reference to Proceedings, 25th October 1860, No. 1,384.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
*Secretary to Government.*

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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