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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 2nd March 1861.

No. 14. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 27th February 1861, No. 458.

Communicating the Order passed on a letter from the Registrar of the Sudder Court, offering a few remarks on the subject (of Proceedings of Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th February) of the delay arising in getting copies of Decrees from the Sudder.

(Vide Proceedings Revenue Department, dated 27th February 1861, Nos. 400 and 401.)

No. 15. ORDER THEREON, 2nd March 1861, No. 282.

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(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from C. F. CHAMIER, Esq., Registrar of the Sudder Court, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 9th February 1861, No. 16:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor, by direction of the Judges, to offer the following remarkson the subject of the Proceedings of Government, dated 5th February 1861.

2. The application of the Government Pleader for copy of the Court's order on Petition No. 386 of 1860 is dated the 22nd of January last, and the copy was taken by his Gumáshta on the 26th idem. There was therefore no delay in this case.

3. The judgment of the Court in Appeal No. 180 of 1858 was pronounced on the 2nd July 1859. The writing of the judgment, its circulation for signature, and the calculation of the costs occupied till the 2nd August. It remained in the Press till the 22nd idem, and was certified in Court on the 15th September. In this case there was considerable delay in the Press.

4. In Special Appeal No. 204 of 1859, judgment was delivered orally on the 4th July 1860. The writing, circulation, and copying of the judgment and the preparation of the costs, took till the 17th July, on which date it was sent to Press. It was received back on the 24th of the same month, and certified on the 28th; but the copy of it was not taken till the 3rd September following by the Government Pleader's Gumáshta, to whom the only delay that occurred is therefore attributable.

5. The Court's judgment in Special Appeals Nos. 127 and 129 of 1859 was given on the 17th October. It was sent to Press on the 10th December, and not received back till the 4th January. The copy of it was taken by the Government Pleader's Gumáshta on the 14th January. In this case a delay of twenty-five days occurred in the Press.

6. If it should be the wish of the Government to be in early possession of the grounds of the judgment, in any case to which they may be a party, the Judges think that the best plan would be for the Government Pleader immediately to apply for a manuscript copy, which could generally be furnished within ten days from the date of pronouncing judgment in open Court. After the required formalities had been gone through and the printed Decree finally signed, a printed copy could be delivered to the Government Pleader on his application.

ORDER THEREON, 27th February 1861, No. 458.

1. Ordered to be communicated to the Government Pleader with reference to his letter of 25th January 1861, No. 13.

2. The Government consider that the delay in the two cases noticed in paragraphs 3 and 5 of Mr. Chamier's letter, only a small part of which is due to the Press, to be very objectionable. Seeing the delay in these two cases, they deem it right to request that measures may be taken to put an end to what, it is fair to assume, must be usual in respect to the preparation of Decrees for delivery to the parties concerned.

3. The Superintendent Government Press will take all possible steps to prevent delay in printing.

(True Extract.)

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Government Pleader.
" Sudder Adálat.
" Judicial Department.
" Superintendent Government Press.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Pros: 14th Feby 1861 No. 59 & 60

Pros: of March
Judicial 1861 Dept

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No. 400 - 401

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No. 325

Coming the order passed on a letter from the Registrar of the Sudr Court offering a few remarks on the subject (of Pros: of Govt Rev: Dt of 5th Feby) of the delay arising in getting copies of Decrees from the Sudr.

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