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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
24th April 1862.

No. 182. Read the following letter from the Judges of Her Majesty's Supreme Court of Judicature at Madras; to the Honorable the Governor in Council, &c., &c., &c., Fort Saint George, dated 11th April 1862.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of your Excellency in Council of the 9th instant, requesting us to exempt the additional Members of your Council for making Laws and Regulations from serving on the Grand Jury.

In answer we beg to state that we can only do this under the Statute 7 Geo. 4 C. 37 by means of a Rule of Court which must be certified under our hands and seals to the Secretary of State for India "to be laid before Her Majesty for Her Royal approbation, correction or refusal," and before taking this step we think it would be as well to communicate with the Judges of the Supreme Courts at Calcutta and Bombay, so that there may be uniformity of practice in this respect at the three Presidencies.

We would add that to excuse a Grand Juror from attendance when summoned, is within the province of the presiding Judge alone, who in the case of a Member of the Council for making Laws and Regulations, would certainly consider it a sufficient excuse that his attendance was required at a Meeting of the Council in the discharge of his public duty.

(Signed) C. H. SCOTLAND,
(„) A. BITTLESTON.

No. 183. ORDER THEREON, 24th April 1862, No. 640.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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