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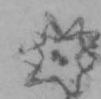
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27TH JUNE 1895, No. 1370, JUDICIAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Judicial), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, the 6th May 1895, No. 724-9 Judl.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter, No. 2915, dated 1st December 1894, on the subject of accidents arising from the adjustment of belting on machinery while in motion, I am directed to say that the Governor-General in Council agrees with His Excellency the Governor in Council that there is no necessity at present for legislative interference.

2. I am, however, to remark that the Government of India, on a consideration of the replies received from the Local Governments and Administrations to the circular letter from this department, No. 8-Judicial—714-20, dated the 30th June 1894, are of opinion that it is essential to do all that can be done by means of executive instructions to minimise the risk of accidents. It is, the Governor-General in Council is advised, unavoidable that the machinery should be stopped whenever the main belts have to be adjusted, but if due care is taken and proper precautions are exercised by the managers of factories this measure will not be required in respect of the minor belts. The Governor-General in Council considers that the following rules, which are in force in the Bombay Presidency and which have resulted in the disappearance of fatal accidents, will, if generally adopted, tend very materially to reduce the risk of accidents in adjusting minor belts :—

- (1) The workman who goes up to replace a belt should wear nothing but his loin cloth or tight trousers.
- (2) All ladders used in replacing belts should be specially made and preserved for that work and provided with hooks and spurs.
- (3) As far as possible, all important pulleys should be provided with belt hangers.
- (4) Only experienced men, such as jobbers or mukaddams, should be allowed to replace the belt on quick-moving pulleys.

I am to request that, under the orders of the Governor in Council, instructions may be issued to secure the observation of these rules in the factories in the Madras Presidency.

3. I am to add that these rules may, in the opinion of the Government of India, be suitably supplemented by others insisting on the necessity for having the belting regularly examined and for seeing that it is kept at proper tension and for the using of belt-shifters.

ORDER—dated 27th June 1895, No. 1370, Judicial.

Communicated to all District Magistrates, the Commissioner of Police, Madras, and the Public Works Department, Railway Branch, who should impress on managers of factories the importance of the precautions advised by the Government of India in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Mr. Hewett's letter.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To all District Magistrates.
 „ the Commissioner of Police.
 „ the Public Works Department (Railway Branch).
 Copy to the Chairman, Madras Chamber of Commerce.
 „ „ „ Madras Trades Association.

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 & Madras Trades Association
 10/7/95

Note for orders.

As to whether any & if so what supplementary rules issued should be issued? - It

12.6.95

I don't see what legal powers we have to make any such rules as India performs in para 2 & suggests in para 3

18/6/95

Subject

Requesting that instructions may be issued to secure the observation of certain rules, which are in force in the Bombay Presy. in the factories in the Madras Presy. in order to minimize the risk of accidents arising from the adjustment of belt on machinery while in motion.

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9 June

No. 724.

FROM

J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

TO

The Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Madras.

CHIEF SECRETARY
13 MAY 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Home Department.
Judicial.

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I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. P. Herrellt.

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

[G.]
[25.]
600-7-5-95.

DEPARTMENT.

C. No.

FOR ORDERS.

Herrellt - This only a
bureau paper, I fear -
but issue as amended
copy -

AS
25/6/95

Please see H.M.'s note of 18th
Jan on the reverse of C. 2439.
Govt. has apparently no legal
powers to issue the proposed rules.
They cannot be issued under s 15
of the Factories Act of 1881, & the
Govt. of India has decided not
to legislate in the matter. - They
will thus only be executive orders
disobedience to which cannot be
punished except in factories belonging
to Govt. such as the P.W. Workshop.

AS
19-6-95
24/6/95.

Govt. can practically enforce the
rules by as the chief can make
itly punishable when they
are disregarded

AS
24/6.

FOR ORDERS.

Indicant 46-101370 of 10th July 1895

*Despatch
11/7/95*

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The District Magistrates of

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