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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—the following paper :—

From L. M. THORNTON, Esq., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India (Home Department—Public), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, the 4th November 1895, No. 27 Public—1842.

The Government of India have recently had under consideration the inconvenience resulting from the use by unauthorized persons of uniforms or liveries resembling those worn by Government servants. It is understood also that dresses similar to those of Policemen and of Court peons are sometimes assumed by persons whose object is to impose upon or extort money from ignorant villagers, and that it is not always possible to prove the intention or knowledge on their part which is required to bring the case under section 171 of the Indian Penal Code. It has been suggested that it would be useful to pass a short Act prohibiting the wearing of any uniform or livery which the Government might by notification declare to be reserved for State or official purposes. It might also be provided that an officer of Police, not below the rank of District Superintendent, should have power to prohibit by written notice the wearing in a public place by a private person of any uniform sanctioned by competent authority or any dress commonly recognized as the dress worn by a particular class of Government servants.

2. Before considering the subject further, the Government of India would be glad to be favoured with the opinion of His Excellency the Governor in Council on the above suggestions and as to the lines on which, if legislation be undertaken, the Bill could best be drawn.

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(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Honourable the Chief Justice, with C.L.
" Government Solicitor.
" Board of Revenue, through the Revenue Department.
" Inspector-General of Police.
" Commissioner of Police.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Iyengar.

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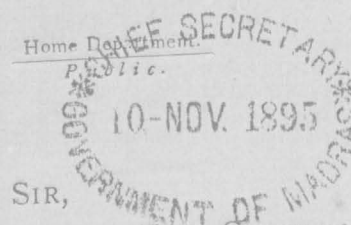
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FROM

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Deputy Secretary to the Government of India,

TO

The Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Madras.



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I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

L. M. Thornton

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India.