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Recording letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of a question asked by the Honourable Prince Sir Jahan Kadr Meerza Muhammad Wahid Ali Bahadur and the answer given by the Honourable Sir Antony Mec-Donnell on the 7th. February last at the meeting of the Viceregal Legislative Council regarding the furtherance of--,&c.

Ans.

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QUESTION

asked at the Meeting of the Governor General's Council for the purpose of making Laws and Regulations held on Thursday, the 7th February 1895.

By the Honourable PRINCE SIR JAHAN KADR MEERZA MUHAMMAD WAHID ALI BAHADUR :—

I. (a) Will the Government state whether they have suggested or will suggest to Local Governments the initiation of schemes for the promotion of friendly relations between the Muhammadan and Hindu communities at all the principal places in the Empire, and specially at those places where in late years friction has actually taken place or riots have occurred;

(b) and will the Government state what steps, if any, have been taken by Local Governments for settling such disputes between different religions, or different sects of the same religion, as may exist in different places, like the dispute still existing at Gya between *Shias* and *Sunnis*.

ANSWER

given by the Honourable Sir ANTONY MACDONNELL.

The duty of the Government is to preserve the peace, to extend impartial toleration to all creeds, to maintain the lawful liberties of all its subjects, and to repress all persons or classes of persons who infringe such liberties or insult the religion or wound the religious feelings of others. The duty of moderating excitement raised by religious feelings and of promoting a desire for reconciliation in cases in which discord has arisen rests upon the leading members of the different religious bodies themselves. But the Government has endeavoured, and, as occasion offers, always will endeavour, to interest the people in themselves coming to an amicable settlement of such disputes. With this object the Government has in the North-Western Provinces and elsewhere favoured the appointment of Committees of reconciliation for the settlement of religious differences, but the successful action of such Committees rests, as may be inferred from what has been already said, with the leaders of the conflicting creeds or sects.

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FROM

L. M. THORNTON, Esq.,
Deputy Secretary to the Government of India,

TO

The Chief Secretary to the Govt.
of Madras

Home Department.
Public.

Calcutta, the 23rd March 1895.

SIR,

I AM directed to forward, for the information of His
Excellency the Governor in Council
a copy of a Question asked and Answer given on the 7th February last at the
meeting of the Council of the Governor General for the purpose of making
Laws and Regulations.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

L. M. Thornton

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India.

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