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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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To

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Communicated to
Officers of the P. W. Departt
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Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 169, dated 24th July 1883.

NOTIFICATION—By the Government of India, Home Department.

It is hereby notified for general information that Rule VIII of Section I of the Rules for the care and use of Government cemeteries (other than those in the presidency town of the Diocese of Calcutta) published under Home Department Notification No. 421, dated the 12th December 1877, has been amended as follows:—

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2. Where in that part of a Government cemetery which has been set apart for the use of members of the Church of England there is a family vault or grave, or a reserved plot of ground purchased by a member of the family, or a masonry grave prepared in immediate contiguity to such family vault or grave, or reserved plot, any deceased member of the family may, if the relative, friend, or legal representative having charge of the funeral arrangements shall so desire, be interred in such family vault, grave, or reserved plot without the performance of the service for the burial of the dead according to the rites of the Church of England.

3. The burial may take place at the option of the person having charge of the same either without any religious service or with such Christian and orderly religious service at the grave as such person shall think fit; and any person or persons who shall be thereunto invited, or be authorised by the person having charge of such burial, may conduct such service or take part in any religious act thereat.

4. Notice of any burial which it is intended to conduct under the provisions of this clause shall be given to the Chaplain or other officer in charge of the burial ground in the manner prescribed by Rule VII.

No. 5 / 196-212.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department (Ecclesiastical),—dated Simla, the 9th August 1883.

Read again—

Home Department Resolution Nos. 4—248-63, dated the 27th December 1882, sanctioning certain alterations in Rule II of Section II of the Rules contained in Home Department Notification, dated 12th December 1877, for the levy and expenditure of fees on masonry graves and monuments in cemeteries and churches throughout India.

Read also—

A letter from the Government of the Punjab, No. 1527, dated the 2nd ultimo, bringing to notice an alleged inconsistency in revised Rule II.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor General in Council is pleased to decide that revised Rule II of the Rules referred to in the preamble shall run as follows:—

"A further fee of one rupee per square foot shall be levied for the erection of a masonry monument in a burial ground, reduced to eight annas per square foot when the monument is of stone or marble. Provided that the minimum fee payable for a monument shall be Rs. 5. No monument shall in any case be more than 3 feet in height. For a simple headstone or flat slab of stone or marble not more than 3 feet 6 inches in height and 2 feet in width, a fee of Rs. 5 shall be payable. A fee of Rs. 75 shall be levied on a faculty for the erection of a monument in a church."

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