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Directing the substitution of certain rules for those approved in G.O., No. 1192, Public, dated 11th November 1896, regarding the disposal of — addressed to this Government, to the Government of India or to Her Majesty the Queen.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Order—No. 1227, Public, dated 27th September 1898.

Under the authority vested in him by sections 28, 24 and 25 Victoria, Cap. 67, (The Indian Councils Act, 1861), His Excellency the Governor is pleased to direct that the following rules be substituted for those approved in G.O., No. 1192, Public, dated 10th November 1896:—

(1) Petitions for mercy from convicts under sentence of death addressed to the Governor in Council shall be circulated to His Excellency the Governor and the two Civil Members of Council.

(2) Similar petitions addressed to the Government of India, which can be forwarded so as to reach the Government of India 24 hours before the time fixed for the execution, shall be transmitted to the Government of India on the authority of the Chief Secretary without circulation of the papers. Any similar petition, which cannot reach the Government of India within such time, shall be circulated to His Excellency the Governor and the two Civil Members of Council for orders as to whether it clearly contains nothing which is likely to cause the Government of India to take a view of the case different to that taken by the Government on the petition addressed to it by the convict.

(3) Petitions for mercy from condemned prisoners addressed to Her Majesty the Queen-Empress, which are copies of those already considered by this Government or the Government of India, may be withheld on the authority of the Chief Secretary without circulation of the papers. In other cases such petitions shall be circulated to His Excellency the Governor and the two Civil Members of Council for orders.

(True Extract.)

for *Chief Secretary*.

To all Departments of the Secretariat.

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