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Political DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 768

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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 23rd November 1858.

No. 28. EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF CONSULTATION in the Public Department under
date the 5th November 1858, No. 1362.

(*Vide* Diary, Public Consultation, 5th November 1858, No. 31.)

(*Regarding the Circulation of the Proclamation of Her Majesty the Queen.*)

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, No. 768 ; dated 19th November 1858.

To be Recorded.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,

Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 1362.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, under date the 5th November 1858.

Read again letter from G. F. EDMONSTONE, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, with the Governor General; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Allahabad, 20th October 1858, No. 3848.

Foreign Department.

Secret.

SIR,

Para. 1. I am desired by the Right Honorable the Governor General to transmit a copy of a Proclamation of Her Majesty the Queen, which by the commands of Her Majesty is to be made known to the Princes, the Chiefs and the people of India. A Proclamation of the Governor General which is to be issued at the same time, is also sent to you.

2. These Proclamations will be made public at Allahabad, under the immediate direction of the Governor General himself, on Monday the 1st November next ensuing; and it is the wish of the Governor General that they should be published at Madras on the same day.

3. Wherefore the Governor General desires me to request that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will so order that the Proclamations shall be publicly read, on the day named, in any suitable open place, to which all of every class, who may desire to attend, shall have free access. They are to be read first in the English language by the Chief Secretary to Government, in the presence of the Right Honorable the Governor and all the Officers of the Government at the Presidency; and immediately afterwards a Vernacular version thereof is to be read in the same place and in the same manner.

4. All the Troops at the Presidency should be paraded on the occasion, and the ceremony should be accompanied by every circumstance and observance, which may signalize and give dignity to it.

5. As soon as the Proclamations shall have been read, as above directed, a Royal Salute is to be fired.

6. The Governor General further desires, that copies of the Proclamations, with Vernacular translations, may be dispatched to all the stations of the Madras Presidency, and that the Senior Civil Officer at each station may be instructed to follow the course above described; if possible, on Monday the 1st November; if not, on the earliest subsequent day that may be practicable.

7. Means must be taken to disseminate the Proclamations, as widely and expeditiously as possible, in every Vernacular language throughout the Presidency of Madras.

Order.—Resolved that copies of paras. 1 to 7 of the above letter be furnished to all Collectors and Government Agents.

2. The Proclamations of Her Most Gracious Majesty and of the Right Honorable the Governor General have already been circulated in an Extraordinary Fort Saint George Gazette.

3. Translations in the several Vernacular languages will also be despatched to the different Districts as soon as they can be prepared and printed. On their receipt the Collectors and Agents will cause them to be read and published in the manner directed in Mr. Secretary Edmonstone's letter. They are to be read by the Senior Civil Officer at all Stations where there is a Covenanted Civil Servant, and at all Military Stations.

4. Copies of the Proclamations and translations will also be sent to all Districts and the Collectors will take measures for having them disseminated as widely as possible. They will be published in the District Gazette, and every publicity given to them. Collectors will report direct to Government what they may have done under these orders.

5. Copies of the Proclamations and translation in Malyalum, will be forward Resident of Travancore and Cochin for presentation to the Rajahs, and with their per circulation in their Territories.

6. Copy of the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, and of th will be communicated to the Military Department and to the Political Department.

(True Extract and Copy.)

W. H. BAYLEY,

Acting Secretary to G

To the ~~Collector of~~ *Political Department*

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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