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From

The Resident in Travancore & Cochin,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George.

Dated 6th November/90

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No. 172

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Forwards for the
information of Govern-
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Resident's Office.

Trevandrum 6th November 1890.

From

J. C. Hannington Esquire

Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

To

The Honorable J. F. Price.

Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

With reference to G. O No: 71 of 1st February 1890 Public, I have the honor to state that in accordance with Government recommendation the Cochin ^{Christian} marriage bill was amended, and the modifications urged were adopted in it. The opinions of the heads of the various Christian denominations in the State were obtained as desired by Government, and one or two points suggested by them were likewise adopted in the amended bill. Prior to its being passed into law it received the approval of

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6. Whoever not being a person coming under any one of the descriptions mentioned in section 1 of this Regulation knowingly solemnizes a marriage between persons one or both of whom is or are a British subject or British subjects and one or both of whom is or are a Christian or Christians shall be punished with imprisonment which may extend to ten years and shall also be liable to fine.

7. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Christian Marriage Act No. 15 of 1872 of the Government of India within Cochin territory, the Christian Judge of the Appeal Court is empowered to perform the functions vested in a District Judge under section 85 of the aforesaid enactment.

8. Sections 66, 67 and 69 to 75 of the Indian Christian Marriage Act defining the offences against the Act and the penalties attached thereunto shall, so far as regards Christian subjects of Her Majesty have the same force and effect in this State as if those sections formed part of this Regulation.

Provided always that no prosecution for any violation of the Indian Christian Marriage Act or of this Regulation shall lie after the expiry of two years from the date of the offence.

Commencement.

9. This Regulation shall come into force on the passing thereof.

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In Public N 3305/90.

of Mr. Grigg, and I now enclose
a copy of the Regulation for the
information of Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servt

Wm. Grigg

President.

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COCHIN GOVT: GAZETTE
SUPPLEMENT.

THURSDAY,
1ST THULAM 1066.
16TH OCTOBER 1890.

REGULATION I OF 1066.

Passed by His Highness the Rajah of Cochin on the 24th day of Kanni 1066
corresponding with the 9th day of October 1890

Whereas it is deemed desirable to render the provisions of the Indian Christian Marriage Act No. 15 of 1872 of the Governor-General of India in Council which has been extended to Cochin so far as regards Christian subjects of Her Majesty effectual and to prevent the solemnization of illegal marriages in this State, it is enacted as follows:—

1. No marriage among Christian subjects of Her Majesty shall be held valid in this State unless it be solemnized by one of the persons hereunder mentioned.

Persons by whom marriages may be solemnized.

(1) Any person who has received episcopal ordination, provided that the marriage be solemnized according to the rules, rites, ceremonies and customs of the Church of which he is a Minister;

(2) Any clergyman of the Church of Scotland, provided that such marriage be solemnized according to the rules, rites, ceremonies and customs of the Church of Scotland;

(3) Any Minister of Religion licensed under the Indian Christian Marriage Act to solemnize marriages;

(4) Any Marriage Registrar appointed under the aforesaid Act;

(5) Any person licensed under the said Act to grant certificates of marriage between Native Christians.

2. After the solemnization of any marriage among Christian British subjects, the clergyman or other authorized person by whom the marriage was performed shall forthwith register the marriage in a Marriage Register Book showing the date, the Christian names and surnames of the parties, their age, condition, rank or profession, residence at the time of marriage, and their fathers' names and surnames. Such entry shall be signed by the parties married, and attested by two credible witnesses as well as by the person solemnizing the marriage.

3. Every Marriage Register Book as aforesaid shall, at all reasonable times, be open to inspection by the parties interested, and a certified copy of any entry therein shall be given on payment of the prescribed fee.

Searches in Register Book and copies of entries.

4. Whenever a marriage has been solemnized between persons one or both of whom is or are a Christian British subject or British subjects, the person solemnizing the marriage shall, within 6 months thereafter, if he be a clergyman of the Church of England send a copy of the entry contained in his Register to the Registrar of the Archdeaconry to which he is subject; if he be a clergyman of the Church of Scotland, he shall forward such copy to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages through the senior chaplain of the Church of Scotland; if he be a clergyman of the Church of Rome, to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages through the Bishop of the Diocese to which he is subject; and if he be a clergyman belonging to the Jacobite Syrian rite the said Registrar-General through his Metropolitan.

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(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
,, Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

ENDORSEMENT—dated 27th November 1890, No. 818, Public.

Copy to the Government of India, Home Department.

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. P. L. Pereira.

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