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READ—the following paper :—

From C. J. LYALL, Esq., C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Public), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, the 6th February 1891, No. 5-Pub./204.

A question having arisen whether the orders contained in Home Department circular letter, No. 11—679-88, dated the 18th March 1890, prohibiting Government servants from participating in political movements, should be held to be binding upon Government pleaders, I am directed to say that the Governor-General in Council considers it undesirable that Government pleaders should be treated with the same strictness in regard to attendance at political meetings or participation in political movements as persons who are wholly in the service of Government.

While, however, His Excellency in Council would, in ordinary cases, leave Government pleaders free to follow their own inclinations in any matter of political interest, it should be recognized that the adoption of an attitude which brings a Government pleader into notoriety as a partisan may interfere with the proper performance of his duties to the Government; and His Excellency in Council therefore considers that any Government pleader who takes up an attitude on a political question either inconsistent with the proper performance of his duties as a public servant, or which is liable to be misconstrued, should be warned that he must either alter it or accept the alternative of having to give up his appointment.

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(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To all District Magistrates.

Exd. E. Fernandez.

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regarding the participation of Government pleaders
in political movements.