Riverine department

Nº 187

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No. 30. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th February 1859, No. 436.

Read Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 15th September 1858, No. 1260.

(In Con. 28th December 1858, No. 4171.)

The Board conceive there can be no question of the desirableness of giving effect to the suggestion of the Honorable Court that the existing Acts and Regulations should be consolidated under their proper heads and formed into separate Acts, each complete in itself as regards the subject of which it treats, and that in framing new laws which modify or retain previous enactments, the provisions modified should be repealed and the portions retained be re-enacted.

2. The Revenue Code contemplated for this Presidency will when completed and passed meet these requirements, but the Board see no prospect of this being effected within any reasonable time.

In Con. 10*th March* 1858, *No.* 173.

3. The orders of Government on the subject of the Code bear date 18th February 1857, and remit the preparation of the draft Act to the Government Pleader. More recently (10th March 1858) the Board furnished that officer with a rough draft of a Law to regulate their powers and proceedings as a Court of Wards.

4. The Board have not as yet received any portion of the Code from the Government Pleader, and they apprehend that with his numerous and onerous duties, that officer is not likely to dispose of the subject within a reasonable period.

Enclosure in E. M. C. of 15*th September* 1858.

5. Under these circumstances the Board would strongly recommend that the suggestion contained in para. 38 of the Honorable Court's Despatch should be acted on, and the task of consolidation be referred to the Legislative Member of Council whose lengthened experience in the Revenue Administration of this Presidency and acquaintance with the Revenue Laws of the other Presidencies, peculiarly qualify him for the duty.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

No. 31. Order thereon, No. 187; dated 11th February 1859.

Ordered to be referred to the Judicial Department, with reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation in that Department, dated 9th September 1858, No. 1233.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

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Extract from the Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue

dated 5th
and 5th February 1859.

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Submitting the observations of the Board with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 15th September 1858, and recommending that the suggestion contained in para 38 of the Honorable Court's Despatch thereon alluded to for the consideration of existing Enactments on each particular subject be referred to the member of the Legislative Council with a view to its being acted on

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Enclosed to be returned to the Judicial Department with the reference to the Minutes of Consultation 15 Sept. 1858 No 1233 dated 9 Sept. 1858

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