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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Dated 15 — 9 — 1860.

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No. 268. Read the following letter from H. FORBES, Esq., Member of the Legislative Council, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, 3rd September 1860 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward a copy of the Bill to impose a tax on Arts and Trades, and to enforce the taking out of a license by dealers in Tobacco, as settled by a Committee of the whole Council, and as ordered to be published for general information for six weeks.

2. The Government will observe that the Muhtarafa tax in Madras generally, and the House tax in Tanjore, are to be abolished, that the new tax on Arts and Trades is limited to a sum varying from one to three Rupees, and that power is given to Collectors to exempt from the tax all whose means are so small as to make exemption right.

3. The Government will further observe from the reported proceedings of the Council that the operation of the tax has, on the motion of the Chief Justice, been limited to five years, the time for which the Income tax, to which the present Bill as now settled is supplemental, has been passed, and that, at my suggestion, the Section which repeals the Muhtarafa and Tanjore House taxes will remain permanently in force when the rest of the Act expires.

4. If the Bill should pass in its present form therefore, the Muhtarafa tax will be much moderated in most of the Provinces of the Madras Presidency, and will be wholly abolished at the end of five years, and the only change disadvantageous to the people will be the introduction of the tax into Madura, Tanjore and the Presidency Town.

5. The object of now republishing the Bill is to afford opportunity for remark on the sums proposed to be demanded on the issue of Tobacco licenses, and it is to this point that I have to request that you will attract the early attention of the Government.

ORDER THEREON, 15th September 1860, No. 1,616.

No. 269. Referred to the Board of Revenue with reference to their Proceedings of 23rd July 1860. No. 3,379, for such further remarks as they may wish to offer on the point noticed in paragraph 5.

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

From

H. Forbes, Esquire,
Member of the Legislative Council,

To

S. Pycroft, Esquire,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Fort St. George.

Dated Fort William, the 3rd September 1860.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,

H. Grieve.

Member of the Legislative Council

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