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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st October 1860.

No. 3. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department, dated 22nd September 1860, No. 1,396 :—

Communicating a Resolution of the Government of India with reference to the new plan which has recently been prescribed by the Secretary of State for the conduct of the Home Correspondence. — Vide Public Proceedings 22nd September 1860, Nos. 172, 173.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, 1st October 1860, No. 1,752.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council, in the Home Department, under date the 7th September 1860, No. 1,901.

Read again the papers recorded on the Consultations of the dates noted below:

General Consultation, 11th July 1834, No. 6.
Home Consultation, 4th February 1856, Nos. 12 and 13.
,, ,, 2nd January 1857, No. 19.
Public Consultation, 30th September 1859, No. 41.
,, ,, 7th October 1859, No. 4.
,, ,, 19th May 1860, Nos. 29 to 38.

Read also the following Despatches:

From Secretary of State, (Public Department,) to the Government of India, No. 82 of 1859, dated 11th August.

From	ditto	to Government, Fort Saint George,	No. 38 of 1859, dated 11th August.
From	ditto	to Government, Bombay,	No. 28 of 1859, dated 11th August.
From	ditto	to Government of India,	No. 92 of 1859, dated 23rd September.
From	ditto	to Government, Fort Saint George,	No. 43 of 1859, dated 9th September.
To	ditto	from Government of India,	No. 141 of 1859, dated 15th December.
To	ditto	from Government of Bombay,	No. 86 of 1859, dated 12th October.
From	ditto	to Government of Bombay,	No. 43 of 1859, dated 2nd December.
From	ditto	to Government of India,	No. 50 of 1860, dated 7th April.

With the view of giving effect to the general supervision which it was contemplated by the Act III and IV, W. 4, C. 85, that the Government of India should exercise over the Proceedings of the Subordinate Governments, the following Circular instructions were issued under date the 11th July 1834.

"I am directed by His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in "Council to request that you will, with the permission of the Right Honorable the Governor in "Council, forward to me for the information of His Lordship in Council, weekly Abstracts of the "Proceedings of the Council of *Fort Saint George* [*Bombay*] showing the substance of the docu-"ments submitted to the consideration of Government in the different Departments on each "Council day, and the orders passed thereon.

"With a view more clearly to indicate what is intended by this requisition and the form in "which the information is desired, I am directed to forward herewith, the accompanying copy of "the Abstract of the Consultations of Fort William in the General Department which are regu-"larly submitted for the consideration of the Governor General in Council."

No alteration was made in these instructions up to 1856, when the Madras Government represented that having adopted the plan of printing the whole business of the Government, it seemed superfluous to continue the preparation of the weekly Abstracts, and suggested that, in place of them, permission should be given to send a printed copy of the full Proceedings. This was assented to, and subsequently the same arrangement was extended to the Bengal Government, where printing was also introduced.

With reference to the new plan,* which has recently been prescribed by the Secretary of State for the conduct of the Home correspondence, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that the weekly Abstracts of Proceedings, where they are still continued, be dispensed with, and that the local Governments which print their Proceedings be required to transmit *punctually* to the Government of India, every month, a copy of the *first* part of the printed volumes of the transactions of Government, which is ordered to be prepared for the Secretary of State,

* *Public Despatch, No. 50 of 1860, dated 7th April, communicated to the local Governments and Departments on the 15th May.*

and that the Governments which do not print their Proceedings be required to send a manuscript copy of the Table of Contents which is to be annexed to the Proceedings according to the form A given in the Secretary of State's recent Despatch.†

† *No.* 50 *of* 1860, *dated 7th April.*

The Governor General in Council observes that this Table of Contents, without the Proceedings themselves, will not afford the same degree of information which is now afforded by the present abstract of Proceedings, but if it be only sent with *punctuality*, His Excellency in Council thinks it will enable the Government of India sufficiently to supervise the proceedings of the local Governments, by the much earlier opportunity which it will give of calling for any correspondence, the subject of which may attract notice.

The *second* part of the Government transactions sent to the Home Government, comprising matters of mere routine, the Governor General in Council does not think it necessary to require.

Ordered, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded for information and guidance to the Government of Fort Saint George.

(Signed) W. GREY,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER THEREON, 22nd September 1860, No 1,396.

Ordered to be communicated to the several Departments of the Secretariat for observance.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
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,, Military do.
,, Judicial do.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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