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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 25th February 1862.

No. 481. Read the following letter from JOHN MILLER, Esq., Acting Government Solicitor, Madras, to Honorable T. PYCROFT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 13th February 1862, No. 95 :—

SIR,

Dated 8th February 1862, No. 237, Revenue Department.

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the Proceedings of Government noted in the margin.

2. I have submitted the same for the consideration of the Advocate General, and now forward a copy of his Opinion.

COPY OPINION.

1. I agree with the Board of Revenue that the last (9th) paragraph of Section 13 of Act XXXVI of 1860, precludes the possibility of remedying the oversight committed by Messrs. Line & Co., while the negotiation of one Bill of each set renders it impossible to cancel the whole.

2. I do not see any course open to Government under the Act, unless they resolve to prosecute Messrs. Line & Co., but perhaps Government would hardly consider this a fit case for a prosecution.

3. Perhaps the best course (the only one that I see except a prosecution) would be to instruct the Board to inform Messrs. Line & Co., that they have clearly laid themselves open to a prosecution, but that in this instance Government are willing to accept their assurance that the act was an unintentional oversight, and to trust that greater care will be taken in future. That, however, Government cannot assist Messrs. Line & Co., in extricating themselves from the difficulties created by their own act, but must leave them to take such course as they may be advised.

13th February 1862. (Signed) THOMAS SYDNEY SMYTH,
Advocate General.

(True Copy.)
(Signed) JOHN MILLER,
Acting Government Solicitor.

No. 482. ORDER THEREON, 25th February 1862, No. 402.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue, with reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 8th February 1862, No. 237. The Board will follow the course pointed out in the concluding paragraph of the Advocate General's Opinion.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

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The Actg. Govt Solicitor
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To The Chief Secretary
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Forwards with reference to the Proceedings of Government in its Revenue Department dated 8th February 1862 No 237 Copy of Advocate Generals opinion Re the course to be pursued for legalising Bills of Exchange drawn in India on London on unstamped paper. -

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