

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India (Revenue), to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated India Office, London, 16th January 1862, No. 2:—

SIR,

I transmit for the information of your Excellency in Council ten copies of a "Report on the system pursued for the administration of the Stamp Revenue of the United Kingdom," which has been prepared by Mr. J. A. Crawford, Superintendent of Stamps at Calcutta, who is on leave in this country; and has been employed on this duty at the request of the Government of India.

ORDER THEREON, 13th March 1862, No. 566.

1. Ordered that the ten copies of the report received with the foregoing Despatch be distributed as follows:—

2 Copies to the Board of Revenue.

1 Copy to the Superintendent of Stamps.

4 Copies to the Members of Government.

3 Copies to be retained in Store.

2. The Board of Revenue will consult the Superintendent and report in what respects the administration of the Department can be improved by following the English system. They will also report what saving in establishments, contingent charges, &c., could be effected, if stamped papers were supplied from England or Calcutta. They will also mention the probable number of stamps annually required.

3. If Stamps were furnished as above supposed, the counter-stamp *should be dispensed with*, but a small stamping establishment would be necessary for the stamping of Cheques and the like as well as documents under Section 13 of the Stamp Act.

(True Extract.)

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T. McMootry.



India Office
London 16 January, 1862.

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From St. George
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The Chief to the Hon. Secy.
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Via
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With an order