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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
24th July 1873.*

No. 121. Read the following extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department (Public), dated Simla, 12th July 1873, No. 2301 :—

READ—

Resolution, No. 80, dated 8th February 1869, regarding the constitution of its Legislative Department.

RESOLUTION.—The above-quoted Resolution is cancelled.

2. The Legislative Department is not, in respect of Government measures, an originating or initiating Department, and its proper function in respect of such measures is to clothe with a technical shape projects of law, of which the policy has been affirmed elsewhere.

3. All legislative proposals on the part of Government will first be considered in the Executive Department in which they originate, or to which their subject belongs. The necessity for legislation will there be affirmed, and all points connected with such legislation will there be considered and settled, except the technical details of the Bill to be submitted to the Council for making Laws and Regulations. The papers with the Orders of Government thereon will then be transmitted by the Executive Department direct to the Legislative Department.

4. In accordance with the arrangement above indicated, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to direct that all legislative proposals emanating from Local Governments and Administrations shall be addressed, not to that Legislative Department, but to the proper Executive Department of the Government of India; and if a proposal for legislation should accidentally reach the Legislative Department direct, that Department will refer it at once to the proper Executive Department.

5. When once a measure has been referred to the Legislative Department, that Department will correspond directly with the Local Governments and Administrations, and all correspondence with Her Majesty's Government relating to Bills and Acts, whether of the Imperial or Local Councils, will be conducted in the Legislative Department.

6. The Proceedings of the Government of India in the Legislative Department will be recorded in the same way as they have heretofore been recorded, and copies forwarded to Her Majesty's Government.

No. 32—2302.

ORDER.—Ordered that copies of this Resolution be communicated to the Governments, Administrations, and Departments named below for information and guidance :—

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North-Western Provinces, and Punjab; Chief Commissioners of Oudh, Central Provinces, British Burmah, and Coorg; Resident at Hyderabad; Foreign Department; Military Department;

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Financial Department; Public Works Department; Legislative Department and
Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) T. J. C. PLOWDEN,
for Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 122.

ORDER THEREON, 24th July 1873, No. 1162.

To be recorded.

(True Extract.)

H. H. H.
Chief Secretary

To the Revenue Department.

Ed. J. Wright.

S. H. H.
Sent to Madras Office

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To
THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Dated July, 24th.

Recd August 4th *1873*

G.O., 24th July 1873, No. 1162.

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Legislative Department.—Supreme Government's Resolution regarding the constitution of its Legislative Department, and directing that all legislative proposals emanating from all Local Governments and Administrations shall be addressed, not to that Department, but to the proper Executive Department of the Government of India, recorded.

To B. P. M.
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C. L. M. P. 155
July 24th 1873