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Indian Opium Bill.

No. 7. Read the following letter from R. B. CHAPMAN, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Simla, 18th August 1875, No. 2777 :—

The Government of India has introduced into the Legislative Council of the Governor-General a Bill for regulating the cultivation of the Poppy and the possession, transport and sale of opium.

2. I am directed to suggest that the consideration of the Bill now before the Legislative Council at Madras be deferred until the Government of Madras see the imperial Bill.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, 17th November 1875, No. 56.

The Governor in Council directs that translations of the Bill* "to amend the law relating to opium," and of the Statement of Objects and Reasons annexed thereto, in the Tamil, Telugu, Canarese, Malayalum, and Hindustani languages, be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* with as little delay as possible.

* Re-published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* Supplement of the 14th September 1875.

2. The Board of Revenue will be requested to submit their opinions on the provisions of the Bill, which, it will be seen, is intended to supersede the local legislation on the subject of Opium, which the Bill† "to regulate the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drugs and preparations within the Presidency of Madras" was designed to effect.

† Published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of the 6th July 1875.

3. The Board will be good enough to reply to this reference without any loss of time, as the 2nd December is the date fixed for the presentation of the Select Committee's Report on the Indian Opium Bill.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Tamil Translator to Government.
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