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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

from
the Government of India, Financial Department, No. 432, of 7th June 1876.

Order thereon, Ootacamund, 22 September
1876, No. 1933.

The Bill received with the foregoing letter contemplates the consolidation and amendment of the present General Stamp Law (Act XVIII of 1862) and the Court Fees Act, VIII of 1870; and the Government of India invite careful and detailed criticism of its provisions.

2. The Government of India further invite opinion on the expediency of making the following broad changes of policy in the legislation in hand;—

I. To omit all provisions as to any particular mechanism for levying the duties sanctioned by the Legislature,

and

and to have such matters to be regulated by rules to be framed from time to time by the Governor General in Council.

II. To omit the exceptional rules contained in Chapter I of the Bill in respect to Receipt Service Fees and Establishments.

III. To have all rules under the Act to be framed by the Governor General in Council rather than by the local Governments, in order to ensure uniformity in the administration of the Stamp Laws.

3. The Governor in Council resolves to forward the Bill, with a copy of the foregoing letter to the Honorable the Judges of the High Court and to the Advocate General, for their early opinion, if possible before the 20th October, on the provisions of the Bill and the further changes of policy contemplated by the Government of India as indicated in their letter.

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4. Copy of the Bill and of the letter from the Government of India will also be furnished through the Revenue Department, to the Board of Revenue for their early opinion, if possible by the same period, on the measures in contemplation.

True Extract
J. Johnston
Chief Secretary

The Revenue Department.
With Copy of the Bill

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Vide N^o 1304 of 24 Oct/76
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Copy copy of a Bill to
consolidate and amend the laws relating to
stamps & post fees, and of a letter from
the Govt. of India, in view to the early opinion
of the B^o of Revenue being obtained, if possible
by 20th Oct., on the measures in contemplation.

No 2177

Communicated to the
Board of Revenue for
report
22 Sept 1876

For the Board of Rev Sept 25 Sept/76