Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
2nd November 1874.

No. 12. From E. F. HARRISON, Esq., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, (Separate Revenue—Stamps,) to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, dated Fort William, 29th September 1874, No. 5,877 :—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 815, dated 7th August 1873, to the address of the Secretary to Government in the Home Department, on the subject of the liability to stamp-duty of copies of depositions and documents which form part of the evidence in cases.

2. In reply, I am to say that from the inquiries that have been made it appears that the views held by the High Court at Madras on this subject do not prevail in other Presidencies and Provinces, and that there is, therefore, a conflict of opinion on this point.

3. The Government of India, however, cannot undertake to pass an authoritative decision on a question of this nature, and I am, therefore, to request that, on a convenient opportunity occurring, the matter may be represented to the High Court and the result reported for the information of the Government of India.

COPY forwarded to the Home Department for information, the original papers received from that department being returned.

(True Copy.)

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND,
2nd November 1874.

No. 13.

No. 1,388.

To

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Honorable Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SEPARATE REVENUE.
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To THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

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SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

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O. S. G. P.—No. 481 C. F.—25-9-74.—40.

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No. 1338.

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Chief Justice of the High Court of Judicature, Madras.

To

THE HON. SIR RICHARD TEMPLE, BART., K.C.S.I.,

Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department.

Dated November 2nd.

Rec'd.

Read.

Letter, 2nd November 1874, No. 1,338.

NOVEMBER.
No. 13.

FORWARDING certain correspondence with the Government of India, and inquiring whether it is desirable the Judges see any reason to record their views as to the liability to stamp-duty of copies of depositions and documents forming part of the evidence in cases.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 3603

From Government of India
Dated 29 Sept 1874

FOR ORDERS.

As to the mode in which the matter can be brought before the High Court of at all—

We had better
at once
We submitted by letter
Dec 20/10

Sent 24/10

FOR ORDERS.

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c 16/10/74.

Revenue Department.

No. 1388 – 2d. Nov.r 74.

To

The Hon'ble Sir. W. Morgan Kt.
Chief Justice of the High Court
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To Govt. of India 7th Augt 1873
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No. 3877.

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