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## PART V.

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

The following Extract from the Proceedings of the Governor of Bombay in the Legislative Department is published for general information:—

*Abstract of the Proceedings of the Council of the Governor of Bombay, assembled for the purpose of making Laws and Regulations, under the provisions of "THE INDIAN COUNCILS ACTS, 1861 and 1892."*

The Council met at Bombay on Friday the 16th March 1894, at 3-30 P.M.

#### PRESENT:

His Excellency the Right Honourable Lord HARRIS, G.C.I.E., Governor of Bombay, *Presiding.*

The Honourable Mr. H. BIRDWOOD, I. C. S., M.A., LL.D., C.S.I.

The Honourable Mr. A. C. TREVOR, I. C. S.

The Honourable the ADVOCATE GENERAL.

The Honourable Khán Bahádúr DORABJI PADAMJI.

The Honourable Mr. W. R. MACDONELL.

The Honourable Mr. HERBERT BATTY, I. C. S., M.A.

The Honourable Mr. R. G. OXENHAM, M.A.

The Honourable Mr. GANPATRÁO DÁMODAR PÁNSE.

The Honourable Mr. VISHNU RAGHUNATH NA'TU, B.A., LL.B.

The Honourable Mr. CHIMANLÁL HARILÁL SETA'LVAÐ, B.A., LL.B.

The Honourable Khán Bahádúr A. D. HASSAN ALI BEY EFFENDI.

The Honourable Mr. NAVROJI NASARWANJI WADIA, C.I.E.

The Honourable Mr. JAVERILÁL UMIA'SHANKAR YA'JNIK.

The Honourable Mr. T. D. LITTLE, M.I.C.E.

The Honourable Mr. RAHIMTULA MUHAMMAD SAYA'NI, M.A., LL.B.

#### PAPERS PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL.

Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider Bill No. 1 of 1894, "a Bill to amend the law in force in the Peint Territory in the Bombay Presidency."

#### BILLS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

*A Bill to amend the law in force in the Peint Territory in the Bombay Presidency.*

His Excellency the PRESIDENT said:—At our last meeting we directed a Select Committee consisting of the honourable member in charge of the Bill and the Honourable

Messrs. Trevor, Batty, Páuse, and Sayáni to report and present their views on the Peint Bill to-day. The business therefore before the meeting is to consider the Bill. In order to enable the Council to do so, it is necessary for me under Rule 42 to suspend so much of the Rule 26 as prevents the consideration of the Bill until seven days after the report has been received and distributed to the members. This Bill has received unanimous approval on its first reading. The Report of the Select Committee shows that the alterations are of no moment, and under those circumstances I am, I think, justified in suspending the standing orders and proceeding with the consideration of the Bill.

The motion of His Excellency the PRESIDENT was put to the Council and adopted.

The Honourable Mr. BIRDWOOD, in moving the adoption of the report of the Select Committee on the Peint Bill, said:—In now moving that the report of the Select Committee be adopted, it will, I think, be unnecessary for me to state again the circumstances which I referred to on Monday last as explaining the necessity for the proposed legislation. As His Excellency has just observed, the principle of the Bill is approved by the Select Committee, as is also the form of the Bill, which, I have already stated to the Council, follows generally the lines of the similar Act of 1885, relating to the Panch Maháls. The Committee assume that the Bill will become law during the course of the present year and they recommend that it should come into operation from the 1st January, 1895. They have accordingly proposed the requisite amendments of Section 1 of the Bill, to give effect to this recommendation. I now propose that the Bill as amended by the Select Committee be adopted.

The adoption of the Bill as amended by the Select Committee was carried *nem. con.*

The Honourable Mr. Birdwood moves the second reading of Bill No. 1 of 1894.

The Honourable Mr. BIRDWOOD then moved the second reading of the Bill.

His Excellency the PRESIDENT, in supporting the second reading of the Bill, said:—It will perhaps be convenient for me to explain at this stage that, as the Bill is not to become law until the commencement of next year, it is obviously a very proper proposal of the Select Committee, as we are changing the legal status of the inhabitants of a portion of the district, that a reasonable time should elapse before that change takes place. I propose after the second reading has been carried not to proceed further with the stages of the Bill at this season of the year. It will be convenient to have the Bill in hand to enable the Council to assemble for the purpose of discussing the Budget and for the convenience of honourable members as regards asking questions during the rains. Honourable members agree that they will prefer to discuss the Budget when they get the figures in detail; that will probably be about the same time in the rains as last year. By having a stage or two of this Bill to deal with I shall certainly be able to assemble the Council. It is very likely there may be other Bills—Port Trust Bills—which will enable me to summon the Council, but I would rather have the certainty of this Bill being on hand to enable me to call you together and give honourable members an opportunity of putting those questions they may desire to ask.

With regard to the subject of questions it will be of very great convenience to the departments of the Secretariat and to my honourable colleagues and myself if honourable members who have made up their minds to ask questions would kindly send them in at once and not wait until the notice of a meeting of Council has been given. We had some ten days or a fortnight this year in which to prepare answers to questions, and I can assure honourable members that with every desire to give all information, we think we may legitimately say it does lay considerable extra stress on the departments to have to work answers up in a very short time. It would therefore be far more convenient if we had the questions sent in to us earlier. My honourable colleague in charge of the Bill has moved the second reading of the Bill and unless any honourable member wishes to speak I will put the motion at once to the Council, that the Peint Bill be read a second time.

Bill read a second time.

The Bill was then read a second time and His Excellency the PRESIDENT adjourned the meeting *sine die*.

*By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,*

C. H. A. HILL,

Secretary to the Council of His Excellency the Governor  
of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations.

Bombay, 16th March 1894.