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PART V.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

The following Report of the Select Committee of the Council of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay on the "Bill to further amend Act XIII. of 1856," and the Bill as amended by the Committee are, in accordance with Rule 25 of the Rules for the Conduct of Business at Meetings of the Council, published for general information :—

Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider Bill No. 8 of 1878, a "Bill to further amend Act XIII. of 1856."

The Select Committee appointed to consider and report upon Bill No. 8 of 1878, a Bill to further amend Act XIII. of 1856, beg to report that they approve of the Bill as now altered by them.

2. In Section 1 of the Bill no change is suggested.

3. The Commissioner of Police, Bombay, recently brought to the notice of Government the circumstance that under the provisions of the existing law the members of the Bombay City Police Force are in one respect placed at a considerable disadvantage as compared with members of the District Police Force. The latter in accordance with the Rules contained in the Civil Pension Code may, if compelled by ill health to retire after a service of less than fifteen years, be granted gratuities the amount of which is determined by the number of years of service completed. Under Act XIII. of 1856 as amended by Bombay Act I. of 1872, however, members of the Bombay City Police Force obliged by ill health to retire before the completion of fifteen years' service, cannot be given any gratuities whatever. Sir F. Souter accordingly requested that in the matter of the grant of gratuities to Police officers forced by sickness to retire before having served fifteen years, the Bombay City Police might be allowed the same privilege as is conferred upon the District Police under the Civil Pension Code. With this request Government were unable to

comply, bearing in view the provisions of the law in force regulating the grant of pensions and gratuities to the members of the Bombay City Police. To enable the proposed privilege to be allowed an alteration in the law was necessary. As however a Bill was before the Legislative Council further amending Act XIII. of 1856, the present was deemed a fitting opportunity for determining whether the law might at the same time be so altered as to admit of the grant of the concession asked for by the Commissioner of Police, Bombay. The papers were therefore submitted for consideration to the Select Committee.

4. The Select Committee are of opinion that in respect of the grant of gratuities to Police officers invalidated after a service of less than fifteen years, the privilege given under the Civil Pension Code to the District Police should be extended to the Bombay City Police. To legalise the grant of gratuities in such cases, a section has been added to the Bill, which will, the Committee consider, accomplish this object, and meet all requirements.

(Signed)	L. R. ASHBURNER.
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„	DOSABHOY FRAMJEE.
„	MORARJEE GOCULDASS.

14th January 1879.

Bill No. 8 of 1878.

A Bill to further amend Act XIII. of 1856.

WHEREAS Act XIII. of 1856 (*an Act for regulating the Police of the Towns of Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay*) was amended, so far as concerns the Bombay City Police Force, by Bombay Act I. of 1872, and it is expedient to further amend the said Act in manner hereinafter appearing; It is enacted as follows:—

1. For the word “pay” in the Section substituted by Section 2 of Bombay Act I. of 1872 for Section

Amendment of Section 17, Act XIII. of 1856.

seventeen of the said Act the words “salary and authorized allowances” shall be substituted.

2. For the words “upon a reduction of the Force” in Section seven of Bombay Act I. of 1872 the words “for any reason other than his own misconduct” shall be substituted.

Amendment of Section 7 of Bombay Act I. of 1872.

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

JOHN NUGENT,

Under Secretary to Government.

Bombay Castle, 14th January 1879.