

MADRAS.-- POLICE MAGISTRATE ACT 1849

ACT No. IX. of 1849

(Rep., Act 16 of 1874)

[12th May, 1849.]

Passed by the Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council on the 12th May, 1849.

An Act for enabling one Police Magistrate to exercise in certain cases the powers of two Justices in the Presidency of Fort St. George.

WHEREAS it is expedient to apply the provisions of the Acts No. IV. 1835, No. I. 1837, and No. XXXII. 1838, to Presidency of Madras, It is enacted as follows:

I. All powers whatever in Criminal cases, which by virtue of any law now in force may be exercised by two Justices of the Peace, or by two Police Magistrates within the Presidency of Fort St. George and places subordinate thereto, may be exercised by one Justice of the Peace appointed to be a Police Magistrate within the said Presidency.

II. Any one Justice of the Peace, appointed to be a Police Magistrate within the said Presidency, may issue a warrant of distress for the recovery of Arrears of Assessment accruing under the Act of Parliament 33 Geo. III. Cap. 52; and every such warrant shall have the same force as if it were under the hands and seals of two Justices.
