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No. 73. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel W. J. WILSON, Commissioner of Police; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 31st August 1863, No. 116.

With reference to the Order of Government noted in the margin, I have the honor to report that immediately on its receipt I examined the applicant Russool Beebee and the two persons who offered to become sureties to the proposed Indemnity Bond, as well as certain other relatives of Russool Beebee, all of whose statements are forwarded herewith together with the original Bond, and the applications of Russool Beebee received with the order under reply.

Financial Department, dated 21st October 1862, No. 747.

2. On the 15th December last I received the original Bond, and have since used every effort to trace the individuals through whose possession it passed before it came into Mr. Kindersley's hands; but owing to the length of time which has elapsed, and other causes, I regret to say, I have not been successful.

3. It appears that on the 17th May 1827, the Bond was sent to Messrs. Binny & Co., of this place, by a Merchant of Trichinopoly named T. Manicum, with instructions to draw the interest, which was done accordingly by means of a Power of Attorney said to have been executed by Russool Beebee in favor of the said Manicum, to whom the Bond was returned by Messrs. Binny & Co., on the 25th September 1827, and these gentlemen duly received his acknowledgment for the same.

4. T. Manicum died several years ago; his son and grandson are also dead, and their heirs are not in possession of any receipt or document to show that the Bond was ever returned to Russool Beebee; but the second payment of interest noted thereon is dated 10th March 1829 and bears a mark in acknowledgment purporting to be that of Russool Beebee; however it will be observed that she positively denies ever having received any interest on the Bond, and it appears on inquiry at the Accountant General's office that the money was paid on the assurances of two Native attesting witnesses; Russool Beebee having been exempted from personal attendance, as being a Gosha female. As these witnesses have simply put their names on the Bond without any addition, from which some clue might have been obtained it has not been possible to trace them.

5. With regard to the husband of the applicant my inquiries lead me to believe him to have been identical with a Pensioner of the 9th Class transferred from the Nawaub's Military establishment in October 1801 on a monthly pension of Rupees 15-6-10, and who died at Trichinopoly on the 23rd September 1827, being two days before the Bond was returned to Manicum by Messrs. Binny & Co.

There are not any records extant either in the Government Office or in that of the Pay Department at Trichinopoly showing the names of the individuals transferred from the Nawaub's service, nor are any such records to be found in the Department of the Chepauk Agent; but in a Roll at the office of the Superintendent of Pensions containing the names of Officers of all grades transferred from the said service in 1801, I found that of Subadar Mahomed Husman, with a remark to the effect that he died at Trichinopoly on the 23rd September 1827. As there is only one man of that name in the Roll in question, and as I am informed from Trichinopoly that there was not any other Nawaub's Pensioner at that place of the rank of Subadar and named Mahomed Husman except the one surnamed "Ghatally" who died there about 35 years ago, I conclude that the Pensioner who died on the 23rd September 1827, and the husband of Russool Beebee, must have been one and the same person.

6. I have not been able to discover either Abdoollah Beg or M. Kistamah, although I have been in correspondence with different public Officers at Tanjore, Trichinopoly and Bangalore upon the subject, and there is no distinct proof of any *bonâ fide* transaction with regard tothe Bond between the period of its return to Manicum by Messrs. Binny & Co., and the payment of the interest to Mr. Kindersley's Agents in 1831.

7. I am informed that Russool Beebee's husband was a well-known money lender, and for this and other obvious reasons it may be fairly assumed that although the Bond was in the name of his wife, yet that any transaction connected therewith would be conducted by him; and considering the absence of any proof to show that the Bond was ever returned to the widow by

"upon the same".
4 T. Manicum died several years ago.

Manicum, or that the marks on the back thereof were really made by her or with her consent, I am inclined to believe that it would not be advisable to charge her with attempting to defraud although the circumstances are very suspicious.

8. The copy* of the Bond which was in Russool Beebee's possession does not bear any endorsement, and I infer that it must have been made by her husband when the original was first sent to Madras through Manicum.

* Forwarded herewith.

9. With respect to the persons who agreed to become sureties to the Indemnity Bond, it is quite clear that they must have done so without any sufficient inquiry or consideration; which as far as regards the Clerk in the Civil Paymaster's office appears to be reprehensible. He is a Hindu professing entire ignorance of the antecedents of Russool Beebee and her husband; and the reasons given by him for mixing himself up in the transaction do not seem to be satisfactory.

10. The delay in submitting this report is owing to the extensive nature of the inquiries which were necessary, and most of which were conducted by means of correspondence with Officers at distant stations. It was not until last week that letters from Trichinopoly caused me to abandon the hope of tracing Abdoollah Beg, which former information from that place had led me to entertain.

Arnachellum Chetty of the Civil Paymaster's office being examined saith as follows:—I never saw nor knew Russool Beebee at any time. I know Mahamud Salah and have done so since I was a child. About two years ago he showed me an Order of Government in connection with a Bond for five thousand six hundred Rupees said to have been lost or stolen, and asked me if I would be one of the sureties to an Indemnity Bond to be signed by Russool Beebee, on her applying for a duplicate Bond for 5,600 Rupees in lieu of one which had been lost or stolen. I consented because I knew Mahamud Salah to be a respectable China Merchant. I did not sign any Indenmity Bond. I believe that none was prepared. I only promssed to sign it. I have never been spoken to by Mahamud Salah on this subject since that time. He never told me why he took this interest in Russool Beebee's affairs. I consented to be surety because, although, the loss of the Bond had been published, yet no one had come forward to claim it for two years. I have not any transactions with Mahamud Salah. I did not see the original of the letter sent by Russool Beebee to Government; in which she says she is prepared to execute an Indemnity Bond with two sureties. I have examined the letter* in English dated 16th December 1861 now shown to me. It is in my handwriting. I wrote it at my house. I was desired to write the names of the two intended Mahomedan witnesses, Shaikh Madar and Mahamud Fazuloollah in English, and did so. The Hindoostanee was not written at that time. I do not know who these two men are. This letter dated† 16th June 1862 is also in my handwriting.

* This is the very letter he denied having seen.
W. J. W.

† No. 457.

MADRAS, *24th October* 1862.

Mahamud Salah of Madras saith as follows:—I have an acquaintance named Mahamud Fazuloollah (who is the brother of a Moonshee whose name I do not know). Fazuloollah has no employ; the woman Russool Beebee lives in his house, and it was through his means that I became acquainted with her. She lives at my house occasionally. Fazuloollah lives at Saint Thomas' Mount. One Shaikh Madar is a grandson (daughter's son) of Russool Beebee. He lives with her. His father is a pensioner at the Mount. I agreed to be one of the sureties to an Indemnity Bond to be entered into by Russool Beebee. Arnachellum Chetty was to be the other surety. I asked him. I have only known Russool Beebee for about three years. Fazuloollah told me that the original Bond held by Russool Beebee had been lost. I was told the Bond had been missed for twenty years. I do not know the name of Russool Beebee's husband. I cannot say where the English letter was written, it may have been at my house or at that of the Chetty.‡ Shaik Madar and Fazuloollah were present. Russool Beebee put her mark; I was present. The Chetty was present. I think he wrote it.

‡ Arnachellum.

Fazuloollah did not tell me how the Bond was lost. I made no inquiries. I took it on trust. The loss of the Bond had been advertised for two years, and no one had come forward, so I believed it to be all right.

MADRAS, *25th October* 1862.

Mahamud Fazuloollah saith as follows:—I am 37 years of age. Russool Beebee is the mother of my sister's husband Bawadeen, now deceased; there is no other relationships between us. I live in Saint Thomas' Mount. Russool Beebee lives in the same house with me as a tenant. Sometimes she lives with Mahamud Salah. Her husband's name was Mahomed Husman. He was a Subadar in the Nawaub's service, and died about 29 years ago. I speak from what I have heard. I was only five or six years old when he died at Trichinopoly. Russool Beebee has a son* at Trichinopoly, and a daughter here. I do no know any Subadar named Abdoollah Beg, nor did I ever hear of one of that name as far as I remember. I have examined the document B now shown to me. The words "Elamut Dust Khut Russool Beebee" and "Gavah Shod Mahamud Fazuloollah" in Hindoostanee are in my handwriting. The words "Gavah Shod Shaikh Madar" are in the hand of Shaikh Madar. He is Russool Beebee's daughter's son. The signatures were written in Mahamud Salah's house. Russool Beebee put the mark O in my presence. Mahamud Salah and Shaikh Madar were present. No Hindoo was there. I do not know Arnachellum Chetty. I do not know who wrote the English. Mahamud Salah got it written some where and brought it. I have been at the Mount about four years. Russool Beebee has been there about three years. I have known Mahamud Salah about three years. I left Trichinopoly about 28 years ago with my brother who is a Regimental Moonshee. Russool Beebee remained in Trichinopoly. I saw her once at Trichinopoly about five years ago when I went there on a visit. I did not again see her until she came to Madras and the Mount about three years ago. I never saw the Bond now said to have been lost. I saw a copy which was shown to me by Russool Beebee about three years ago at the Mount. She said it was the original, but I told her it was a copy; it was not printed but written. It was in English with the exception of a line in Persian to the effect that it was the copy of a Bond at Madras. She then said she would complain and get a proper Bond from the Accountant General. Russool Beebee must be eighty years old.

* Since dead.

MADRAS,
27th October 1862.

Russool Beebee saith as follows:—I am eighty years old. I was born in Trichinopoly. I came to Madras about four years ago, and have lived at the Mount and at Madras. My husband's name was Mahomed Husman. He was a Subadar in the Nawaub's service. *My husband died about thirty-six years ago.* I became mad then and went about without knowing what I was doing. About five or six years ago I found this document (copy of Promissory Note marked C) in a box, that is my son-in-law Burray Saib came to see me at Trichinopoly and on looking for old papers or Bonds he showed me this. I did not know what it was. I never knew my husband had got such a Bond drawn up in my name. I never received any interest on the Bond. My son-in-law told me that the paper was a Bond, and so I came to Madras to get the money for it. I afterwards requested Mahamud Salah to arrange the matter for me. My husband died in Trichinopoly. He could write. I do not know of any Subadar named Abdoollah Beg. My husband never told me he had purchased a Bond in my name.

MADRAS,
27th October 1862.

Shaikh Burray saith as follows:—I am a Pensioned Sepoy from the 19th Regiment and live at the Mount. Russool Beebee is my mother-in-law. I have been pensioned about twelve years. I at first lived with the Regiment, then with my mother-in-law at Trichinopoly, and then at the Mount. About ten years ago my mother-in-law appeared out

"on the same"
4 T. Manicum died several years ago.

* Copy of the Bond in question.

of her mind. I saw her with this document C.* She used to ask me to go and get the money upon it from Government. I used to say I could not do so without her. She was getting the better of her madness when she lost another son and became worse again. I did not find the document. My mother-in-law showed it to me. She said it was a Bond for money deposited by her husband with the Government. She said she had got it from her late husband whom I never saw.

Witness being confronted with Russool Beebee, afterwards stated that he had found the Bond when looking for other papers and had then given it to her.
(Signed) W. J. W.

Shaikh Madar, aged nineteen years, corroborates the statement of Fazuloollah as regards the document B., viz., the letter offering to execute an *Indemnity* Bond.

Barree Beebee, wife of Burray Sahib, and daughter of Russool Beebee, states much the same as her husband.

MADRAS, 27*th October* 1862.

Russool Beebee saith further as follows:—My husband left Madras about the time of the death of the Wallajah, and went to Trichinopoly where I married him. He used to get nine Pagodas a month. He was afterwards pensioned and received four and a half Pagodas. He used to trade and to lend money. He used to make journeys to Hyderabad, Madras and elsewhere. He managed all the affairs of the house. I never saw the original of the document which my son-in-law found as stated by me before. My husband told me there was a Government Bond in my name together with his other papers; but I never saw it. I do not know of any one called Abdoollah Beg or Kistamah who had dealings with my husband. I never came to Madras in my husband's time.

(Signed) W. J. WILSON,
Commissioner of Police.

MADRAS, 17*th December* 1862.

No. 74. ORDER THEREON, 18th September 1863, No. 612.

Under the circumstances stated by the Commissioner of Police, it does not seem advisable to institute proceedings against Russool Beebee.

2. The conduct of Arúnachellum, the Clerk in the Civil Paymaster's Office, is suspicious; and he will be informed that the Governor in Council views it with dissatisfaction.

3. A copy of Colonel Wilson's report will be forwarded to the Government of India.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 75. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort Saint George, 18th September 1863, No. 613.

With reference to paragraph 3 of Mr. Under Secretary Wyllie's letter of the 29th November 1862, No. 1,100 G, I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit, for the information of the Honorable the President in Council, a copy of a letter and its enclosures from the Commissioner of Police, reporting the result of his inquiry into the transaction connected with Russool Beebee's application for a duplicate of the Government Promissory Note, No. 6,200 of 1825-26, for Rupees 5,600.

Dated 31st August 1863, No. 116.

2. Under the circumstances stated by the Commissioner of Police it does not seem advisable to institute proceedings against Russool Beebee. The conduct of Arunachellum, the Clerk in the Civil Paymaster's Office, is suspicious, and he has been informed that the Governor in Council views it with dissatisfaction. At the same time the evidence of Arunachellum's complicity in the attempted fraud, if indeed the application was fraudulently made which has not been fully established, is not, in the opinion of the Governor in Council, sufficient to justify any further notice being taken of his conduct.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. McMootry.

No. 116.

Madras Police Commissioner's
Office, 31st August 1863.

From

Lt. Colonel W. J. Wilson
Commissioner of Police

To

The Honorable A. J. Arbuthnot
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

Fin. Dept. d/ 27th October 1862 No. 747.

With reference to the Order of Government noted in the margin, I have the honor to report that immediately on its receipt I examined the applicant Rupsool Beebee and the Two persons who offered to become Sureties to the proposed Indemnity Bond, as well as certain other Relatives of Rupsool Beebee, all of whose Statements are forwarded herewith together with the Original Bond, and the application of Rupsool Beebee received with the Order under reply.

2 On the 15th December last I received the original Bond and have since used every effort to trace the individuals through whose possession it passed before it came into Mr. Kindersley's hands, but owing to the length of time which has elapsed, and other causes, I regret to say, I have not been successful.

3 It appears that on the 17th May 1827 the Bond was sent to Messieurs Binny and Co. of this place by a Merchant of Trichinopoly named T. Manicum with instructions to draw the Interest, which was done accordingly, by means of a Power of Attorney said to have been executed by Rupsool Beebee in favor of the said Manicum, to whom the Bond was returned by Messieurs Binny and Co. on the 25th September 1827, and these Gentlemen duly received his acknowledgement for the same.

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have been made by her husband when the original was first sent to Madras through Manicum.

9 With respect to the persons who agreed to become Sureties to the Indemnity Bond, it is quite clear that they must have done so without any sufficient enquiry or consideration, which as far as regards the Clerk in the Civil Paymasters Office appears to be reprehensible. He is a Hindoo professing entire ignorance of the antecedents of Rupool Beebee and her Husband, and the reasons given by him for mixing himself up in the transaction do not seem to be satisfactory.

10 The delay in submitting this Report is owing to the extensive nature of the enquiries which were necessary, and most of which were conducted by means of correspondence with officers at distant stations. It was not until last Week that Letters from Trichinopoly caused me to abandon the hope of tracing Abdoollah Beg which led me to entertain.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

W. Miller

Commissioner of Police

ago; his Son and Grandson are also dead and
their Heirs are not in possession of any Receipt
or Document to shone that the Bond was
ever returned to Rupsool Beebee; but the
Second payment of Interest noted thereon is
dated 16th March 1829 and bears a mark in
acknowledgement purporting to be that of
Rupsool Beebee; however it will be observed
that she positively denies ever having received
any Interest on the Bond, and it appears on
enquiry at the Accountant Generals Office
that the money was paid on the assurances
of Two native attesting Witnesses; Rupsool
Beebee having been exempted from personal
attendance as being a Gosha female. As
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not been possible to trace them.

5. With regard to the Husband of
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believe him to have been identical with a
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There are not any Records extant
either in the Government Office or in that
of the Pay Department at Trichinopoly
shewing the names of the individuals
transferred from the Nawaubs service,
nor are any such Records to be found in
the Department of the Cheque Agent;
but in a Roll at the Office of the Super-
-intendent of Pensions containing the
names of Officers of all Grades transferred
from the said service in 1801 I found that
of Subadar Mahomed Hussain with a

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7. I am informed that Rupsool Beebees
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I am inclined to believe that it would not be
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Defraud although the circumstances are
very suspicious.

8. The Copy of the Bond which was
in Rupsool Beebees possession does not bear
any Endorsement, and I infer that it was

x Forwarded herewith

have

Arnachalum Chetty Esq.
the Civil Paymaster's Office being

No. 122.

Madras, Police Commissioner's
Office, 24th September, 1863.

Official Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to return the Promissory Note No. 6208 of 1825/26 received with the Order of Government dated 18th Instant. No. 682, Financial Department.

Commissioner of Police

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

sign it. I have never been spoken to by Mahamud Salah on this subject since that time. He never told me why he took this interest in

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From
C. Cotton Esq. Mad. Civ. Service
Commissioner of Police
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Forwarding Receipt for Government Promissory Note for Rupees 673

Rupees 673/-/-

Dated 8th Oct. 1862.

Rec'd. 10th Nov. 1862.

No. 116

Encl. 1

Rupees 673/-/-

Dated 10. Nov.

Returned the receipt of an endorsement made on the accompanying note by the Paymaster Civil Police to obtain a duplicate for Government Promissory Note.

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Arnachalum Chetty 15th

the Civil Paymaster's Office being examined saith as follows.

I never saw nor knew Rajsool Barber at any time. I know Mahamud Salah and have done so since I was a child. About two years ago he showed me an order of Government in connection with a Bond for Five thousand ~~——~~ six hundred Rupees said to have been lost or stolen, and asked me if I would be one of the Sureties to an Indemnity Bond to be signed by Rajsool Barber, on her applying for a Duplicate ~~—~~ Bond for 5600 Rupees in lieu of one which had been lost or stolen. I consented because I knew Mahamud Salah to be a respectable China Merchant. I did not sign any Indemnity Bond. I believe that none was prepared. I only promised to sign it. I have never been spoken to by Mahamud Salah on this subject since that time. He never told me why he took this interest

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Madras
24th October 1862

Mahamud

* This is the very letter he denied having seen.

J.W.

x No 457

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Mahamud Salah of Madras saith as follows. I have an acquaintance named Mahamud Fazul oollah (who is the Brother of a Moonshee whose name I do not know) Fazul oollah has no employ. The woman Rajsool Beebee lives in his house, and it was through his means that I became acquainted with her. She lives at my house occasionally. Fazul oollah lives at St. Thomas Mount. One Shaikh Madar is a grandson (Daughters son) of Rajsool Beebee. He lives with her. His father is a Pensioner at the Mount. I agreed to be one of the Sureties to an Indemnity Bond to be entered into by Rajsool Beebee. Arnachella Chetty was to be the other Surety. I asked him. I have only known Rajsool Beebee for about 3 years. Fazul oollah told me that the Original Bond held by Rajsool Beebee had been lost. I was told the Bond had been missed for

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Madras
25th October 1862

* Arunachellum

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lives

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Beebee must be 80 years old -

Madras
27th October 1862

Rajpool Beebee saith as
follows - I am 80 years old - I was
born in Trichinopoly - I came to
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Madras - My husband's name was
Mahamud Usman - He was a
Subadar in the Nawab's Service -
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Madras
27th October 1862

Shaikh Burray saith as follows. I am a Pensioned Sepoy from the 19th Regiment and live at the Mount- Rajpool Beebee is my Mother in law- I have been pensioned about 8 years- At first lived with the Regiment, then with my mother in law at Trichinopoly and then at the Mount- About two years ago my mother in law appeared out of her mind- I saw her with this Document* C- She used to ask me to go and get the money upon it from Government- I used to say I could not do so without her- She was getting the better of her madness when she lost another Son and became worse again. I did not find the Document- My mother in law showed it to me- She said it was a Bond for money deposited by her husband with the Government- She said she had got it from her late husband whom I never saw-

* Copy of the Bond in question

Witness being confronted with Rajpool Beebee afterwards stated that he had found the Bond when looking for other papers and had then given it to her- W.W.

Shaikh Madar aged 19 years corroborates the statement of

Statement of
Annachellum Clerk
Allowance Civil
Paymaster Office
Madras Signed Official
Report Russool
Beebee Summy
Kunjo Chetties
&
Ramayy Pedden
Dated 18th October
December 62

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following
letter from the Com=
missioner of Police.

(Here enter 31st August 1863 No. 1167)

Order thereon 18th Septr. 1863 No. 612.

Under the circum=
stances stated by the Com=
missioner of Police, it does
not seem advisable to
institute proceedings
against Russool Beebee.

2 The conduct of Ana=
nachellum, the Clerk in
the Civil Paymaster's Office
is suspicious, and he will
be informed that the
Governor in Council views
it with dissatisfaction.

3 A Copy of Colo. Wilson's
report will be forwarded
to the Govt. of India.

To, The Commissioner of Police.
Civil Paymaster with two documents
dated 21

Russool Bubee's attempt to obtain a Duplicate Promissory Note.

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

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Financial Department:

No. 613.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India.

Financial Department,

Sir,

With reference to para 3 of Mr. Under Secretary Wyllie's letter of the 29th Nov. 1862, No. 1100 G, I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit, for the information of the Honorable the President in Council, a copy of a letter and its enclosures from the Commissioner of Police, reporting the result of his enquiry into the transaction connected with Russool Bubee's application for a Duplicate of the Govt. Promissory Note, No. 6200 of 1825-26. for Rupees 5,600.

2. Under the circumstances stated by the Commissioner of Police it does not seem advisable to

Dated 31st August 1863 No. 116.

to institute proceedings against Russool Beebee. The conduct of Arunachellum the Clerk in the Civil Paymaster's Office is suspicious and he has been informed that the Governor in Council views it with dissatisfaction. At the same time the evidence of Arunachellum's complicity in the attempted fraud, if indeed the application was fraudulently made which has not been fully established, is not in the opinion of the Governor in Council sufficient to justify any further notice being taken of his conduct.-

Fort St. George
18th Sept. 1863

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" 6 Augt 62 - 20-21
" 20 June 62 - 70-71
" 15th Feb 62 - 0 145
" 4th Jany 62 - 0 1-
21st Jan 60 - 0 28.

Clerk in the Civil Paymasters Office

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Government observe that it does not seem advisable under the circumstances stated by the Commissioner of Police to institute Proceedings against Russool Bebee with reference to the attempt made by her to obtain a Duplicate of a Govt Promissory Note for Rs 5,000 and view with dissatisfaction the suspicious conduct of Anachellum a Clerk