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Authorising the Superintendent, Government Press to supply the Honorary Secretary the Southern India Skin and Hide Merchants' Association, Madras, with copies of papers of commercial importance placed on Editors' Table.

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The Southern India Skin and Hide Merchants' Association,

16, Thambu Chetty Street,

No. 236 of 19.

MADRAS.

29th MAY 1919.



To

The SECRETARY

to the Government of Madras,

Home (Judicial) Department,

Ootacamund.

Sir,

I have the honor to bring to your notice that this Association, although it represents such an important and valuable industry as Tanning which is the foremost industry of this Presidency and the third in all India, has not extended to it by Government the courtesy of our views being consulted and our opinions taken on the various measures, commercial and otherwise, coming for decision before Government, which are of great interest to our members.

2. We note this courtesy is in this Presidency being extended to less representative and influential bodies who carry on mere import and export business, having nothing to do with any industry being carried on in India and all the prosperity and benefit which such an industry means both to the people and Government of this country. While it may interest you to know that the Indian Tanning industry, of which we are the accredited representatives in this province, is the foremost industry of this Presidency and the third in all India, actually coming before

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before Tea and next to Cotton and Jute. It should not be unknown to Government that the industry has sunk into it a capital running into many crores of Rupees, providing employment to hundreds and thousands of workmen. In fact, the prosperity of many centres throughout the Presidency is directly due to the Tanning Industry, and it is well-known that the existence of this industry in a flourishing condition in India at the outbreak of the War, was the means of timely help being rendered by the tanners to the Empire at a critical period of its history, by furnishing a preponderating proportion of the leather equipment needed for our and the Allied Armies.

3. In the circumstances, I trust the Madras Government will be pleased to extend to this Association the same privileges in this regard which other representative commercial bodies in this City and Presidency enjoy, including the supply of Government Orders, Press Communiques and other papers not merely of a technical character, but also of general commercial importance.

4. How far we are handicapped by our not being supplied with important Press Communiques and other papers of a general character will be apparent from one or two instances cited below:- Last month, a communique was published informing that the British Board of Trade had relaxed import restrictions on all Empire products and had issued a general License for all goods excepting Gold and Spirits, but including Hides. Now it so happened that the question of the free private shipment of non-Armies was pending with the Indian Munitions Board, awaiting the grant of

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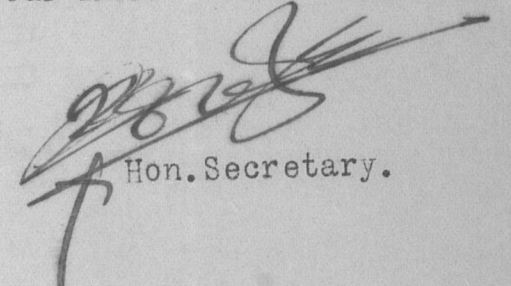
of import licenses by the Board of Trade at Home. And yet we had to learn the news of the issue of import licenses in England by a private Simla Telegram published in 'New India' newspaper!

5. Again, we now understand that certain communications have been sent by Government to the Southern India Chamber of Commerce and others regarding the commission recently appointed to report on the Exchange problem. Many members of this Association carry on a large direct export trade with United Kingdom, America etc, and we are thus greatly affected by the recent rise in the Exchange value of the Rupee. And yet we have heard nothing officially about it!

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Sir,

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Hon. Secretary.

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The Southern India Skin and Hide Merchants' Association,

16, Thambu Chetty Street,

MADRAS.

No. 241 of 1919



30th MAY 1919.

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to the Government of Madras,

Home(Judicial) Department,

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2. I shall also be much obliged if you will be so good as to supply us, when issued with the Southborough Reports, as well as the other papers on constitutional Reforms recently published, as we are vitally interested in very many matters dealt with therein, e.g., the question of the transfer of Industries to Indian Ministers, the adequate and proper representation in the Legislative Councils of Indian Commercial interests etc,etc.

3. Thanking you in advance,

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

for Hon.Secretary.

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Hon. Secretary.

D.R.

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Referred to
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for report. He is requested
to furnish information
as to the status constitution
etc of the Association.

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The collector of Madras
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The Southern India Skin and Hide Merchants' Association, 61

15, Thambu Chetty Street,

MADRAS

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No. 241 of 1919

TO

The SECRETARY

to the Government of Madras,

Home (Judicial) Department,

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Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

D. R. Hon. Secretary.

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Station Madras, Dated the 1st July 1919

From (Name) A.R.L. Tottenham Esq., M.A., I.C.S.,

(Designation) Collector of Madras.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
(H.M.S.)
Home Department.

DESPATCHED
4 JUL 1919

Sir,

Southern India Skin and Hide Merchants' Association.
Government Home Endorsement No. 4595-1 dated 12-6-1919.

I have the honour to resubmit the enclosure to the
above. *p 5 ante*

2. The request in paragraph 3 of the enclosure is
reasonable. *p 26*

3. I *append* a list of a few of the members of the
Association showing the incomes on which they paid
incometax for 1918-19.

	Income.
Kahn Sahib M. Haji Jamal Moideen Sahib	1,20,817
Khan Bahadur T. Haji Badruddin Sahib	1,25,603
Aga Muhammad Khalil Shirazi Sahib	2,96,319
Diwan Bahadur P. Theagaroya Chetti	96,393
C. Abdul Hakim Sahib.	1,96,545
M.A. Ahmed Batcha Sahib	4,20,055
Haji Nizamuddin Sahib	62,128
T. Abdul Wahab Sahib	2,27,084
Jalal Haji Abdul Karim Sahib	63,426

P. Haji Pitcha Sahib (coassessed) 1,02,623
M. Abdul Rahima Sahib. 1,10,993
(V.M. Oosman Sahib & Sons)
Ibrahim Sahib (M. Sulaiman Sahib
(coassessed) & Co.) 1,22,432
C.M.K. Ahmed Mohiyaddin Lebbay
(coassessed) 67,769
Bandeyali Sahib (coassessed) 1,34,052

The members include many extremely wealthy and influential merchants. I ~~also~~ enclose the Memoranda and Articles of Association of the Association.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. Tottenham
Collector. 4.7.19.

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MEMORANDUM

AND

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

OF

The Southern India Skin & Hide
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THE
Southern India Skin & Hide Merchants' Association, Madras.

Memorandum of Association

I. The name of the Association is "The Southern India Skin and Hide Merchants' Association."

II. The Registered Office of the Association will be situated in Madras.

III. The objects of the Association are :—

1. To protect and promote the interests of skins and hides trade and of all such trades connected therewith.

2. To encourage a friendly feeling and unanimity among commercial men on all subjects involving their common good.

3. To consider and formulate opinions upon all questions connected with the trade, commerce and manufacture of skins and hides and allied trades.

4. To collect, classify and circulate statistics and other information relating to this and other allied trades.

5. To maintain a Library of books and publications of commercial interest, so as to diffuse commercial information and knowledge amongst its members.

6. To promote or oppose legislative and other measures affecting the trade, commerce and manufacture of skins and hides and allied trades and thus obtain, by all acknowledged means, the removal of grievances affecting the interests of the Association and also the sanction of such legislature or measures conducive to the development of this trade.

7. To adjust disputes or controversies between members of the Association.

8. To arbitrate in the settlement of disputes arising out of commercial transactions between parties willing or agreeing to abide by the judgment and decision of the Association.

9. To establish just and equitable principles in trade and commerce.

10. To form a code or codes of practice to simplify and facilitate transaction of commercial business.

11. To maintain uniformity in rules, regulations and usages of trade.

12. To communicate with public Authorities and Chambers of Commerce and other mercantile and public Associations throughout the world and concert and promote measures for the protection of trade, commerce and manufactures and of persons engaged therein.

13. To provide suitable places and other facilities for holding and conducting sales of property, brokerage or commercial transactions, meeting of creditors, companies or arbitrators and other like matters.

14. To provide, regulate and maintain suitable buildings or rooms for the commercial purposes of this Association.

15. To acquire by purchase, lease, or otherwise, lands and buildings and all other property, moveable and immoveable, which the Association for the purposes thereof, may from time to time, think proper to acquire.

16. To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease or let, under-lease or sublet, dispose of, turn to account, or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property of the Association.

17. To construct upon any premises acquired for the Association any building or buildings for the purposes of the Association and to alter, add to, or remove any such building.

18. To subscribe to, become a member of, and co-operate with, any other Association, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are wholly or partly identical with, or similar to, those of this Association and procure from, and communicate to, any such Association, such information as may be likely to further the objects of this Association.

19. To open branches where necessary and to affiliate Associations already started whose objects are in harmony with the objects of the Association.

20. To do all such other things as may be conducive to the preservation and extension of trade, commerce or manufactures or incidental to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

IV. The income and property of the Association, whensoever or howsoever derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Association, as set forth in this Memorandum of Association, and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, by way of dividend or bonus or otherwise howsoever, as profit, to the persons who at any time are, or have been, members of the Association or to any of them or any person claiming through any of them: Provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the payment in good faith of remuneration to any officers or servants of the Association or to any member thereof or other persons, in return for any services actually rendered to the Association.

Provided further that no member of the council of management or of the governing body of the Association shall be appointed to any salaried office of the Association or to any office of the Association paid by fees, and that no remuneration shall be given by the Association to any member of such council or governing body except repayment of out-of-pocket expenses and interest on money lent or rent for premises demised to the Association.

V. The fourth paragraph of this memorandum is a condition on which a licence is granted by the Government to the Association in pursuance of section 26 of the Indian Companies Act, 1913.

VI. The liability of the members is limited.

VII. Every member of the Association undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Association, in the event of the same being wound up, during the time he is a member, or within one year afterwards, for the payment of the debts and liabilities of the Association contracted before the time at which he ceases to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up the same, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories

amongst themselves, such amount as may be required, not exceeding Rs. 24 (Twenty four) only.

VIII. If, upon the winding up or dissolution of the Association, there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Association, but shall be given or transferred to some other Institution or Institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Association, to be determined by the members of the Association at or before the time of the dissolution, and in default thereof, by such judge of the High Court of Judicature at Madras as may have or acquire jurisdiction in the matter.

IX. True accounts shall be kept of the sums of money received and expended by the Association and the matter in respect of which such receipt and expenditure takes place and of the property, credits and liabilities of the Association; and, subject to any reasonable restrictions as to the time and manner of inspecting the same that may be imposed in accordance with the regulations of the Association for the time being, the same shall be open to the inspection of the members. Once at least in every year, the accounts of the Association shall be examined and the correctness of the balance sheet certified by one or more auditor or auditors.

X. We, the several persons, whose names and addresses are subscribed, are desirous of being formed into an Association in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association.

(Sd.) H. M. ZIAUDIN MOHAMMED.

„ M. JAMAL MOIDEEN.

„ C. ABDUL HAKIM.

„ K. HAJI OOMER.

„ YAKUB HASSAN.

„ M. JAMAL MOHAMMED.

„ BANGHI HYATH BADSHA.

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ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

1. In these Articles, unless there be something in the subject or context inconsistent therewith,

“THE ASSOCIATION” means The Southern India Skin and Hide Merchants' Association, incorporated under Section 26 of the Indian Companies Act, 1913.

“MEMBER” means a member of the Association.

“GENERAL MEETING” means a General Meeting of the members of the Association.

“THE PRESIDENT” means the President of the Association.

“THE VICE-PRESIDENT” means any one or more Vice-presidents of the Association.

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"THE COMMITTEE" means the Managing Committee of the Association, elected under these articles.

"THE SECRETARY" means any one or all of the Secretaries to the Association.

"THE TREASURER" means the Treasurer of the Association.

2. For the purpose of registration, the Association is declared to consist of 200 members.

3. The Committee may, when they think fit, register an increase of members.

4. The Association is established for the purposes expressed in the Memorandum of Association.

MEMBERS.

5. There shall be two classes of members, ordinary and honorary.

6. The several persons, firms, joint stock companies or other corporations, whose names and addresses are subscribed at foot, have agreed to become the first ordinary members of the Association, subject to these rules and regulations, and these, together with the others who have signified in writing on or before 31st December 1917 their intention to become members of this Association, shall, *ipso facto* and without election, be ordinary members of the Association.

7. Merchants, bankers, shipowners, tradesmen, representatives of commercial companies, brokers, persons and firms engaged in skins and hides commerce or trade, and manufacture, and joint stock companies or other corporations, and associations for any purpose or object connected with skins and hides commerce or trade, may be elected as members of the Association.

8. Any firm, joint stock company or other corporation eligible for election as an ordinary member may become an ordinary member in their conventional or corporate name.

9. Subject to the provisions and restrictions contained in these Articles, the rights and privileges of membership may in the case of a firm elected in their conventional name as a member, be exercised by any partner in such firm or by any person authorised by power of attorney, or letter of procuration or letter of authority

to sign the name of the firm or to sign such name per procuration, and may, in the case of a joint stock company or other corporation elected as a member in its corporate name, be exercised by any responsible Officer of such company or corporation.

10. A candidate for election as an ordinary member, whether an individual, a firm or a joint stock company or other corporation, shall be proposed by one and seconded by another member, and may be elected by the Committee.

11. A firm shall not cease to be a member by reason only of a change in the constitution of the firm, occasioned by the admission, retirement or death of a partner, provided the business of the firm is continued in the conventional name in which such firm was elected a member.

12. A firm, joint stock company, or other corporation shall cease to be a member upon any change being made in the conventional or corporate name of the firm, company or corporation.

13. Any member may withdraw from the Association by giving 6 calendar months' notice in writing to the Secretary of his intention so to do and, upon the expiration of the notice, such member shall cease to be a member.

14. The subscription to the funds of the Association of members carrying on business in Madras shall be Rs. 24 per annum, payable monthly in advance and that of those members carrying on business elsewhere than in Madras shall be Rs. 10 per annum, payable half-yearly in advance. The entrance fee of Madras members shall be Rs. 25, payable with the proposal or their admission and that of the outside members Rs. 10, payable with the proposal.

15. Honorary members shall not be required to subscribe to the funds of the Association.

16. Any member whose subscription shall be six months in arrears and who has not paid such arrears, within one month after written notice calling for such payment, shall not be eligible either to vote or take part at any meeting of the Committee or General Meeting or nominate any one for transacting business or elect a member or to propose or second the nomination of any one to be a member of the Association.

17. Any member, who does not pay his subscription for 6 months after the same has fallen due, shall be served with a registered notice calling for payment within two months of its receipt, failing which the Committee may remove the name of the defaulting member from the list of members.

18. If it shall appear to the Committee that any member has not conformed to these Articles or to the bye-laws or regulations of the Association, or that any member has been guilty of any conduct likely to reflect detrimentally on the Association, it shall be competent to the Committee to request such member to resign, and if the member so requested shall not resign within two weeks after such request, the Committee shall thereupon convene a Special General Meeting, and, if at such meeting, a majority of two-thirds of the members present and voting, vote for the expulsion of the member so offending, such member shall thereupon cease to be a member.

19. Any person, firm or joint stock company or other corporation, who shall resign or be expelled under Article 18 shall be eligible for re-election after the expiry of one year from the date of resignation or expulsion in the usual course.

20. Any member who shall for any reason cease to be a member, shall nevertheless remain liable for, and shall pay to the Association, all monies which, at the time such member ceases to be a member, may be due from such member to the Association.

21. Officials and others indirectly connected with trade, commerce or manufactures in the Madras Presidency or who may have rendered distinguished service to the interests represented by the Association, may be elected honorary members by the Committee, without any ballot, upon the proposal of any two members of the Association.

22. Strangers visiting the Presidency may be admitted by the Committee as honorary members, for a period not exceeding two months, on the proposal of any ordinary member of the Association.

23. Honorary members shall be entitled to receive the last published report of the Association and to attend and speak but not to vote at any General Meeting held during their membership,

and may, upon the invitation of the President, any one of the Vice-Presidents or Chairman, as the case may be, attend, under the like conditions, any meeting of the Committee or of any Departmental Committee or Sub-Committee.

REGISTER OF MEMBERS.

24. A list or register of members shall be kept in which shall be set forth the names and addresses of the members, ordinary and honorary, for the time being, and in which all changes in membership from time to time taking place shall be recorded.

OFFICERS.

25. There shall be the following honorary officers:—a President, 2 to 7 Vice-Presidents, 2 to 4 Secretaries, and a Treasurer and not more than 40 members of the Committee, excluding the President and Vice-Presidents.

26. The President, Vice-Presidents and members of the Committee, including the Secretary and Treasurer, shall retire at each Annual General Meeting. A retiring officer shall be eligible for re-election.

27. Any member, any partner in, or person holding a power of attorney or letter of procuration or letter of authority from, a firm registered as a permanent member in their conventional name, and any person being a responsible officer of any joint stock company or other corporation registered as an ordinary member in its corporate name, shall be eligible for election as an officer of the Association.

28. During the tenure of office as President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, or as an ordinary member of the Committee, by any partner in, or person holding a power of attorney, letter of procuration or letter of authority from, a firm registered as a member in their conventional name or during the tenure of office as President, Vice-President, Secretary, or as an ordinary member of the Committee by any person being a responsible officer of a joint stock company or other corporation registered as a member in its corporate name, no other partner or person representing the same firm, company or corporation, as the case may be, shall be eligible for election as a member of the Committee.

29. If the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any ordinary member of the Committee shall be absent from the Meetings of the Executive Committee for a period of six consecutive months, the Committee may declare his office vacant and he shall thereupon cease to be an officer of the Association.

ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

30. At each Annual General Meeting, the members shall fill up the places vacated by the retirement of the President, Vice-Presidents and ordinary members of the Committee.

31. The retiring members of the Committee shall, before their retirement from office, and before or contemporaneously with the issue of voting cards by the Secretary under the next succeeding Article, intimate to members of the Association the interests for which it may, in their opinion, be desirable that special representatives shall be elected as members of the Committee.

32. The election of the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, and members of the Committee shall be determined by a majority of the votes of members present and voting at the General Meeting. Such votes shall be given by voting cards to be numbered and signed by the Secretary or Secretaries.

33. The Committee appointed by the general body shall elect, at a special meeting of the Committee, as soon as it is convenient, one or more of its members as the Honorary Secretary or Secretaries to the Association. The Secretary or Secretaries so elected shall remain in office until another Secretary or Secretaries has or have been elected, notwithstanding anything contained in these articles to the contrary. The Committee shall have power to pay such honorarium or remuneration to the Secretary or Secretaries, as it thinks fit.

34. If any vacancy shall occur in the office of President during the interval between two Annual General Meetings, the Committee shall elect one of the Vice-Presidents to fill up the vacancy, until the next ensuing Annual General Meeting. The election shall be determined in the manner prescribed in Rule 32, and the result may be communicated to members by a letter signed by the Secretary or Secretaries.

35. If any vacancy shall occur in the office of Vice-Presidents during the interval between two Annual General Meetings, the Committee shall elect one out of its members to fill up the vacancy until the next ensuing Annual General Meeting, the election to be determined in the same manner as prescribed in Rule 32

36. Any vacancy in the Committee, including the Secretary or Secretaries, other than in the office of President or Vice-Presidents, occurring in the interval between two Annual General Meetings, shall be filled up by the Committee electing a member to supply the vacancy.

37. The Auditor shall, from time to time, be appointed by the general body.

PRESIDENT.

38. The President shall preside over all meetings of the Committee, General Meetings and over all deputations. At the Annual General Meeting, he shall address the members on such subjects as he may deem proper to bring to their notice, but such address shall not be taken to represent the views of the Association or of the Committee, unless such representation is expressly indicated.

39. The President shall also at any time, when he shall deem proper, communicate to the Association or to the Committee such matters, and shall make such suggestions as may, in his opinion, tend to promote the prosperity and welfare and increase the usefulness of the Association and shall perform such other duties as may be incidental to the office of President.

40. When the Office of the Secretary is vacated and until a new Secretary is elected, the President shall possess and exercise the powers of the Secretary, as defined in the Articles, or may delegate his powers to one of the Vice-Presidents.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

41. One of the Vice-Presidents, in the absence of the President, shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the President.

TREASURER.

42. The Treasurer shall keep with him not more than Rs. 500. Any amount exceeding Rs. 500 shall in the first instance be deposited in the Bank of Madras, in the name and to the credit of the Association and subsequently be invested in immoveable properties as the Committee may decide.

THE COMMITTEE.

43. The Committee shall meet once a month, at such times as they may deem advisable and may make such regulations as they think proper, as to the summoning and holding of Meetings of the Committee, and for the transactions of business at such Meetings, and the record of their proceedings shall be open to the inspection of members, subject to such regulations as the Committee may, from time to time, deem expedient.

44. The President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, shall be *ex-officio* Chairman of the Committee. In the absence of both President and Vice-Presidents, the Committee shall elect their own Chairman.

45. Ten members of the Committee, including Office-bearers, shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

46. A yearly report of the management and proceedings of the Committee shall be prepared, printed and circulated for the information of the members of the Association, at least seven days previous to the Annual General Meeting. Such report shall be submitted to the Annual General Meeting for confirmation, and shall be confirmed or otherwise dealt with or disposed of, as the Meeting shall determine.

47. The management of the business and funds of the Association shall be vested in the Committee who, in addition to the powers by these Articles expressly conferred upon them, may exercise all such powers and do all such acts and things as may be exercised or done by the Association and are not hereby or by law expressly directed or required to be exercised or done by the Association in General Meeting.

48. If any member of the Association fails or refuses to abide by the decisions of the Committee, he shall be liable to any

further decision or decisions that the Committee may come to, in consequence thereof.

49. Without prejudice to the general powers conferred by Article 47 hereof, the Committee shall have power :—

- (a) To elect a Secretary or Secretaries, as provided in Article 33.
- (b) To appoint any Departmental Committees or Sub-Committees, of the members of the Committee or of the members of the Association, and such Departmental Committees or Sub-Committees may be permanent or temporary or for special purposes, as the Committee may determine.
- (c) To delegate, subject to such conditions as they think fit, any of their powers to Departmental Committees or Sub-Committees, and to make, vary and repeal bye-laws or rules for the regulation of the proceedings of Departmental Committees or Sub-Committees.
- (d) To make, vary and repeal bye-laws or rules for the regulation of the business of the Association.
- (e) To enter into arrangements, upon such terms and subject to such conditions as the Committee may deem desirable, for working in connection with any Association organised for the protection or better development of any branch of trade, commerce or manufactures, in and out of Madras, or with like objects, that may apply to be allowed to work in connection with the Association, provided the objects for which such Association is or shall be formed are not inconsistent with the objects of the Association, as defined in its Memorandum of Association.
- (f) To make such bye-laws as the Committee may consider expedient for the regulation of the joint working of the business of any Association connected with the Association, or for the purpose of defining

the terms and conditions of the joint working of the business of such Association, or as may from time to time be agreed upon between such Association and the Committee.

- (g) To appoint an Assistant Secretary, on a remuneration to be fixed by them.
- (h) To consult, appoint and nominate Counsel, Vakils, Solicitors and Pleaders, to advise them on all or any matters connected with the Association and authorise all or any of them to represent the Association in all duly constituted Courts of Law, either Civil, Criminal or Revenue, and Arbitration Courts, either as plaintiffs or defendants, and to represent them before any officer or body of men or in the Legislative Councils of the Presidency or before the Supreme Council (Viceroy's Council) or before the Sub-Committees or Standing Committees, in connection with the objects of the Association.
- (i) To appoint or dismiss the staff and servants engaged for the Association.
- (j) To incur all necessary expenses, for the maintenance and carrying out of the objects and intentions of these Articles and Memorandum of Association.
- (k) To collect subscriptions and all and any other sums of money, due in connection with the Association.

SECRETARY.

50. The Secretary shall devote himself to the business and affairs of the Association. He shall have charge of all correspondence and shall keep an account of the funds of the Association. He shall keep accurate minutes of all meetings of the Association and of the Committee, of the Departmental Committees and Sub-Committees and obtain and keep copies of minutes of the Meetings of all Associations connected with the Association. He shall have the care of the rooms, furniture, library, pictures and all documents belonging to the Association. He shall give notice of all meetings of the Association, of the Committee, of the Departmental Committees and Sub-Committees, of the Association. He shall duly

notify members of their election, and shall collect all dues from members of the Association or from any Committee or any Association working in connection with the Association. He shall prepare the Annual Report of the Association, under the guidance of the Committee.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

51. The Assistant Secretary, in the absence of the Secretary, shall perform all or any of the duties of the Secretary, and all such of the duties of the Secretary as may be assigned to him, from time to time, by the Secretary, with the sanction of the Committee.

AUDITOR.

52. The Auditor shall audit the accounts of the Association of Departments of the Association, and of all funds connected with or controlled by the Association.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

53. The first General Meeting shall be held in April 1918 and all the Annual Meetings, subsequent to the first General Meeting, shall be held not later than in the month of April in every year at such place as the Committee may determine, at which a report of the proceedings of the Committee, including the Departmental and Sub-Committees, and the yearly accounts shall be submitted for confirmation. Such meeting shall be called the Annual General Meeting.

54. The Committee may, whenever they think fit, and they shall, upon a requisition made in writing by any fifteen members of the Association, convene a Special General Meeting.

55. Any requisition made by the members shall express the object of the Special General Meeting proposed to be called and shall be left with the Secretary.

56. Upon the receipt of such requisition, the Committee shall forthwith proceed to convene a Special General Meeting with seven days' notice and such meeting shall be held within 15 days from the date of the receipt of such requisition, unless it be convened to consider, revise or amend.

57. At Special General Meetings, only the business of which notice has been given or such questions as naturally arise thereon, shall be discussed.

58. Subject to the provisions of the Indian Companies Act, 1882 as to the power to alter regulations by special resolution, one month's notice at the least, specifying the place, the day and the hour of meeting and the nature of the special business, shall be given of any Special General Meeting, convened to revise, alter or amend the regulations of the Association, as contained in these Articles of Association.

59. Except as herein and in the Indian Companies Act, 1882 provided, resolutions passed at any Special General Meeting shall take effect and come into operation on the dates on which they shall be passed, unless the time from which they shall take effect and come into operation be otherwise expressly stated in such resolution.

60. The non-receipt of a notice convening any General Meeting by any member shall not invalidate the proceedings of any such meeting.

61. 15 members present and entitled to vote at an Annual General Meeting shall constitute a quorum, but at any Special General Meeting, 20 members shall constitute a quorum. No business shall be transacted at any Special General Meeting, unless a quorum of members is present at the commencement of such business.

62. If within one hour from the time appointed for a Special General Meeting a quorum of members is not present, the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of members, shall be dissolved. In any other case, the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the following week, at the same time and place, unless it happens to fall on a Mohammedan festival or holiday, when fresh notices will be issued specifying the day, place and hour of the adjourned meeting. At adjourned meetings, no quorum shall be required to be present.

63. The Chairman may, with the consent of the meeting, adjourn any meeting from time to time and from place to place, but

no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting, from which the adjournment took place.

64. Every question submitted to a General Meeting shall be decided by a majority of members present and voting at such meeting.

VOTES OF MEMBERS.

65. Every member shall have one vote.

66. Any number of representatives of a firm registered as a member in its conventional name, or any joint stock company or other corporation registered as a member in its corporate name, may attend any General Meeting, but only one of such representatives shall be entitled to vote.

67. The President shall have a casting vote.

NOTICES.

68. A notice may be served upon any member, either personally, or by sending it through the post in a prepaid letter or post card, addressed to such member at such member's registered address.

69. Any notice sent by post shall be deemed to have been served at the time when the letter or post-card containing the same would be delivered in the ordinary course of the post.

SEAL.

70. The Committee shall forthwith provide a common seal for the Association. The seal shall be deposited with the Secretary and shall never be affixed to any document, except in the presence of the President or Vice-President, and in pursuance of a Resolution of the Committee or of the Association in General Meeting.

71. Deeds, bonds, and other contracts under seal, made on behalf of the Association, sealed with the common seal of the Association, and signed by the President or Vice-President and countersigned by the Secretary or the person acting as Secretary, shall be deemed to be duly executed.

OFFICE BEARERS.

President.

Janab Moulvi Haji Ziauddin Mohammed Sahib.

Vice-Presidents.

Janab Khan Sahib M. Haji Jamal Moideen Sahib. *No 982432.*

„ Khan Bahadur T. Haji Budruddin Sahib. *No 125603.*

„ K. Haji Abdul Kader Sahib.

„ N. Mohammed Mian Rowther. *Tr.*

„ K. Haji Mohammed Oomer Sahib. *2*

„ Agha Mohammed Khalil Shirazi Sahib. *No 296319.*

M.R. Ry. Rao Bahadur P. Theogaraja Chetty Garu, B.A. *No 96843-1*

Hon. Secretaries. *assisted*

Janab C. Abdul Hakim Saib. *No 196545*

„ N. M. Kaja Mean Rowther.

„ M. A. Ahmed Batcha Sahib, B.A., *No 420055.*

„ Haji M. Jamal Mohammed Sahib.

Treasurer.

Janab Bangy Haji Hyath Batcha Sahib. *N.A.*

Other Members of the Managing Committee.

Janab Haji Mohammed Hanif Sahib.

„ Haji Nizamuddin Sahib. *No 62128.*

„ T. Abdul Wahab Sahib. *No 227084.*

„ Abdul Hussain Khalil Shirazi Sahib.

„ V. Haji Oosman Sahib.

„ Jalal Haji Abdul Karim Sahib. *No 353856*

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„ R. Raja Ratnam Chettiar Avergal.

Janab P. Haji Patcha Sahib. *No 102623.*

„ V.S. Mohammed Ibrahim Rowther.

„ C. Chanda Mian Sahib. *B.M.*

„ G. Mohammed Oosman Sahib.

„ S. Mohammed Ismail Saheb.

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„ H. E. Abdul Shakoor Sahib.

„ Moulvi Modi Mohammed Ibrahim Sahib.

„ Malayalam Abdul Rahim Sahib.

„ Ajji Ismail Sahib.

„ Muthu Mohamed Yakoob Sahib.

„ Meerlabbai Abdul Rahiman Sahib.

„ Ibrahim Sahib (Messrs. M. Suliman Sahib & Co.)

„ E. E. Mohammed Meera Rowther.

„ C. M. K. Ahmed Mohiyaddin Lebbay.

„ Haji Nanney Mian Sahib.

„ Minnur Haji Abdul Rahman Sahib.

„ Bandeyali Sahib.

„ M. Abdul Aziz Sahib.

„ M. J. Mohammed Abdulla Sahib.



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[CNo 4595] From the Hony. Secy., The Southern India Skin and Hides Merchants' Association No 236 dated 29th May 1919.

[CNo 4602] From the same, No 241/ Dated 30th May 1919

[Encl No 4595-1 dated 12 June 1919]

[CNo 4992] From the Collector of Madras No A 1618/19 dated 1st July 1919

U.S.

Please see the Collector's reply on p 6-7 Cf. The Collector considers the request of the Southern India Skin and Hides Merchants' Association to be reasonable. ~~and may be accepted.~~

2 A draft order is subd for approval.

3 With reference to the request of the Association on p 4 Cf. it is subd. The requests are for consideration in Rev (Special) and Public Dept. A copy of that letter may go to these depts with the order.

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Why award the Assocn general
E. T. privileges? They desire only
papers of general commercial importance.

Should not this file be dealt with
in Rev Spcl?

Wm
10/7/19

Subd such order issuing
in Home (ms) - vide p. 2
precedent Sp. 52/22.1.1917 (u)
Sp. 483 of 22.5.17. (M)

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US.

Please see the portions marked on p 265.
From the vague manner in which the
request was put, it was thought that
the Association wanted general E.T. privileges.

Of however it is considered that the
Association may be supplied only with
papers of commercial importance the
remarks of Rev (Special) may be invited us.

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Home (ms) no. 4595-2
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Pub (us)

Rev (ms)

No. 2290. II
15.7.19

Rev Spcl.

Does the S.I. Chamber of Commerce get all
E.T. papers of commercial importance? If so
I think the S.I. thin skids merchants too may
receive the same treatment.

Wm
16.7.19

To US

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The S. I. Chamber of Commerce gets not only all E. T. papers of Commercial importance but all papers placed on E. T. and also bound copies of departmental reports - vide p. 7 of Co No. 575 Home (dis) d. 26-7-18. The S. I. Skin & Hide Merchants' Assoc. however asks only for copies of Cos, press Communiqués & other papers of general Commercial importance. Submitted that we may recommend the grant of this concession.

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22-7-19

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2. With regard to para 4 of the Assoc's letter of 29-5-19 please see Cos. Nos. 83 d. 17-1-19, 1027 d. 21-5-19 & 1156 d. 10-6-19 from which it will be seen that notifications of the Govt of Commercial importance are communicated to the Assoc. As press Communiqués of the Govt relating to trade and Commerce are usually republished in the Port St. George Gazette and as the Govt themselves issue corresponding notifications on the same subject, which are communicated to the Commercial bodies in the Press, the press Communiqués are generally not communicated to any one.

3. The Association's request in para 1 of their letter d. 30-5-19 is dealt with in the linked file.

This file may be passed on to Public



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This file is sent to this
 Dept. for considering the association
 request in para 2 of this letter
 P 4 of 30.5.19. for the supply of
 the Southborough Committee's
 Reports & Connected Despatches.
 It is subd. that no spare copies
 of these are available for
 supply. Copies are however
 for sale with the Supt. Govt.
 of India Press, Calcutta. Home (Mis)
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 the association accordingly
 in their final reply

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Home (Mis) Dept.

Please see para 1 of Rev (Special) Dept
 note on p 3 ante. They recommend the supply
 of papers of commercial importance only to the
 Association. Subd. this may be accepted.
 = A draft order is subd.



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