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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 3rd August 1858.

No. 66. Read the following letter from W. FISHER, Esq., Magistrate of Canara; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Mangalore, 20th July 1858, No. 53.

SIR,

With reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 29th May 1858, and para. 5 of my letter of the 2nd June last, No. 44, I have the honor to submit for the information of Government, a more detailed account of Deepoo Ranah's family and connexions.

2. Deepoo Ranah is the youngest son of Indrojee Dessai; and the family seem originally to have possessed the whole of the Sattaree Mahal in the Goanese territory. Some time before this country fell into the hands of the British, Indrojee Dessai, who had a daughter, Lutchmee Baye, married to Mahuput Row Dessaye of Kodli in the Soopah talook, took refuge in that village on the occurrence of a disagreement between the Goa Government and Kama Sawunt, a Mahratta chieftain, whose country adjoined the Sattaree Mahal and was subsequently incorporated in the Portuguese territory.

3. After remaining with his daughter for about six months, Indrojee Dessai returned to Goa, and about twenty years afterwards Deepoo Ranah was born in Goa, his parents having already two other sons, Chendrobah Ranah and Shabah Ranah. These men are both dead, but each has left a son. Their names are Ragobah Ranah and Lutchmen Ranah.

4. Mahuput Row Dessaye of Kodli having been hanged at Jugglebett by order of Tippoo Sultan, for having been concerned in an insurrection, his widow, Lutchmee Baye, adopted her nephew, Lutchmen Ranah.

5. Deepoo Ranah brought the boy to Kodli in order to perform the ceremony of adoption, and remained there until he heard of the death of his elder brother, Chendrobah Dessai, who had been managing the affairs of the family in the Sattaree Mahal.

6. Shabah Ranah the elder brother of Deepoo Ranah married Gangoo Baye, the daughter of Yessabah Sawunt of Kodli, and left a son, Lutchmen Ranah, who was adopted by his aunt, as already stated, and is at this moment Potail of Kodli. Nagobah Ranah, also a nephew of Deepoo Ranah resides at Kodli and forms a portion of his cousin's (the Potail) land.

7. Yessabah Sawunt has a son, Bablah Sawunt, who always resides with Deepoo Ranah. Yessabah had two brothers, Bablah and Essa Sawunt. Both are now dead, the former leaving two sons, (Raganah and Abba) and the latter a widow, Jamkey Baye, and a daughter now about ten years old. All this party live at Kodli.

8. Deepoo Ranah and his sister, Lutchmee Baye, are now the sole surviving children of Indrojee Dessai. Deepoo Ranah remained with his sister for twelve years after bringing her adopted son from Goa, and since his return to that country on the death of his brother, Chendrobah Ranah, is said not to have re-visited Kodli.

9. About five years ago he appeared in arms against the Goa Government, who it would appear, took possession of the Sattaree Mahal. After keeping the country in a disturbed state for upwards of two years, he made terms with the Goa Government, and has since received an allowance of two hundred Rupees per mensem, as an inducement to remain quiet and peaceable.

10. The family hold two villages in the Sattaree Mahal as Enam, which are worth Rupees 1,500 per annum, and of this Deepoo Ranah receives his share; but as the family is very large, it does not amount to more than 25 or 30 Rupees.

11. Besides this, the family enjoyed at one time the right to collect certain fees and duties worth about Rupees 900 per annum; and to the withdrawal of this privilege, and the imposition of some taxes on family ceremonies, the recent rebellion in the Goa territory is attributed.

12. The above account of this family was procured by Mr. Robinson from the members of it who reside in Kodli, and it sufficiently shews that Deepoo Ranah has considerable influence in Goa, and a large connexion in this district. It does not appear when Deepoo Ranah returned

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ORDER THEREON, No. 1054; dated 3rd August 1858.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

C 144 June 1858 No. 25 @ 25.
C 144 Dec. 1858 No. 17 @ 18.

Judicial Letter to Eng^r
7th Sept. No. 13 of 1858.
Paras 2 & 4

Enclaves: 32 August 1858. Judicial

From
Magistrate of
Canara

To
Chief Secretary to Govt.
Fort St. George.

Dated 20th July 1858.
Recd. 27th July 1858.
No. 63.

No. 13/14.

Submits for the information
of Government with reference
to Ex. Min. Cou. dated 29th May
1858 and para 5 of his letter
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Wm. H. H. H.
Magistrate