

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1228	Press ~~Mis.~~
34-35	
Dated 6-9-1918	

Not to be folded or roughly handled

[Signature]

Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 7th September 1858.

No. 34. Read the following letter from P. RUTHNUM CHETTY, China Bazar Merchant, Black Town; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 3rd September 1858.

SIR,

I humbly beg to address you and to bring to your notice, the following circumstances regarding some gunpowder consigned to me, and beg you will lay the matter before the Governor in Council, for his Lordship's decision.

In the beginning of this year, some gunpowder packing in 1 lb canister, were consigned to me from England; on its arrival here, the Sea Customs office deposited the same in the Government Magazine at the Fort, stating, I am not authorized to sell it.

I also beg to bring to your notice, that the gunpowder was ordered out by me previous to the regulations cancelling the sale of gunpowder by private individuals, or I should have avoided the unnecessary expense of procuring such an unsaleable article.

I further beg to bring to your notice, that I have been several times in communication with the Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance and the Commissioner of Police, on the matter herein referred to. Finding that, on application to the latter named Officer for license to sell in small quantities, I was refused it. I then, at his request, tendered the powder to the Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance for sale to Government at cost price, when he replied that Government declined purchasing it. I again applied to the Commissioner of Police for a license, under these conditions and was again refused. I beg to enclose their respective letters on the matter, and to request you will either obtain for me a license to sell the powder myself, or authorize Government to purchase it from me, as I shall lose much by the powder being kept quiet in the Government Magazine.

From Major G. W. Y. SIMPSON, Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance; to Messrs. P. RUTHNUM CHETTY AND Co., Madras, dated 14th April 1858, No. 1369.

GENTLEMEN,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter, dated 16th February 1858, I have the honor to inform you, that your tender for the sale of gunpowder to Government, is declined, none being required.

From Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police; to M. R. R. S., P. RUTHNUM CHETTY, dated 19th April 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date, and to inform you, that I decline granting you a license to sell gunpowder, under provisions of Act XIII of 1856, Section 71.

No. 35. ORDER THEREON, No. 1225; dated 6th September 1858.

Ordered to be communicated to the Commissioner of Police for report.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

to Dy. to Com: T. M. L.
Judicial. 1850. receipt

Thos Buchanan Chetty
Maurice.

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Representing that the Com: of Police
has refused to grant him a licence
for the sale of certain furniture
assigned to him from England,
which he ordered out previous
to the restoration of peace by Lord
and that the Principal Com:
Ministry of Ordnance has likewise
declined to purchase the furniture
on behalf of Govt. Requested
therefore that he may be per-
mitted with a licence to sell
the furniture himself. or that
Govt may purchase it
from this house. I
write an order.

No 1225

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To the Com:
1 September 1858.

Copy to Com: of Police. Dis. 10/1

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