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Fort St: George, Judicial Consultation, 21st September 1858.

No. 65. Read the following letter from G. A. BALLARD, Esq., Special Commissioner, North Canara; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Madras, dated Jugglebett, 9th September 1858, No. 71.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that I have just been told that Tulgámcár Nána, a notorious leader of the Bund in Canara, who (as I mentioned in a Postscript to my letter to you of the 19th Ultimo,) gave himself up, with four others, to the Commandant of Phonda in Goa, has been pardoned, that not only has a house been given him, and a pay or pension formerly paid him by the Goa Government promised to be continued; but the amount which he had not received for the months he was absent in rebellion paid as arrears due!

2. I am also told that offers are being made of a similar nature to the Sawanth brothers themselves. I hope this may be false, but I fear it may be true. If true, it needs no comment.

3. I am the more inclined to mistrust the conduct of the Portuguese from the reply I received from the Commandant of Phonda to a letter I sent him requesting that Tulgámcár Nána might be made over to me as one who had entered this territory with a warlike band, and made war against the British Government, and committed crimes in British territory, of which I had full proof. The Commandant's answer I did not very well understand, but he declined making over the criminal.

4. I did not press the matter immediately, because I thought it not improbable that policy might have dictated the refusal at the time, and that other insurgents, seeing no immediate steps taken against their comrades, might be induced to give themselves up also, when I intended urging my demand for all worth demanding.

*Copy of letter enclosed,
No. 70

5. But from the reports just heard, I have thought it necessary to address* the Governor General of Goa on the subject, and I trust that should he decline to accede to my request, Government will press the matter in a manner that it will secure its being complied with.

6. I need hardly observe that the peace of the District cannot be reckoned on for a day if an organized gang is to be permitted to start from the Goa country, loot our villages, levy contributions from the principal inhabitants, burn Government stations, fire on Government Troops, and kill Government servants; and then, when driven across the border again at considerable expense and trouble, find its leaders pardoned and pensioned, ready for a similar raid when opportunity offers.

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From G. A. BALLARD, Esq., Special Commissioner, North Canara; to His Excellency Viscount TORRES NOVAS, Governor General of Portuguese Indies, dated Jugglebett, 9th September 1858, No. 70.

MOST EXCELLENT AND ILLUSTRIOUS SIR,

I heard some weeks ago, that Tulgámcár Nána and 4 other rebels, had given themselves up to the Commandant at Phonda. As Tulgámcár Nána was a most active leader of the rebels in Canara, of which I have clear proof, I wrote to request he and the other rebels might be made over to me for trial, and such punishment as the crimes proved against them might deserve.

2. I received a letter from the Commandant which I could not very well understand; but from which I learned that he declined to make over Tulgámcár Nána. I have now been informed that this man is to be pardoned, that a house has been given him in Phonda, and pay promised him.

3. I hope this is a mistake. I cannot believe your Excellency, who has shown and expressed so much desire to co-operate with the British Government, will sanction the refusal to make over a man, who, starting from your Excellency's country, entered the British territories with a warlike band, and made war on British subjects, and against the British Government, for above a month and a half.

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4. I trust your Excellency will be pleased to issue orders that Tulgámcár Nána be made over to me, and also that you will expressly forbid any promise being made to the three Sawanths, which can in any way interfere with the punishment which their crimes against the British Government demand.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) G. A. BALLARD,
Special Commissioner.

No. 66.

ORDER THEREON, No. 1286; dated 18th September 1858.

The Government will await the receipt of the reply that may be made by His Excellency the Governor General of the Portuguese Indies, to the Commissioner's letter of the 9th Instant, before passing orders on the above communication.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Judicial Department

From G. A. Ballard Esq.

Special Commissioner
Portuguese.

dated 9th September 1858. No 1663.

For orders

We must await the reply to
Mr Ballard's application to the Gov.
Govt. I can hardly suppose it will
act as injudiciously
Mr Ballard seems inclined
to take up these reports too readily
we must not complicate our relations
with Bombay or Goa by acting on his
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10 September 1888

Special Com. N. Lavaca
The order was signed by
the Governor General of the
Portuguese Indies to the
Commissioner of the
Portuguese Indies

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