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Dated 13 — 10 — 1859

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No. 59. Read the following letter from P. GRANT, Esq., Magistrate of Malabar ; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, Fort Saint George, dated Calicut, 5th October 1859, No. 95.

* Dated 11th Chingom, 1034, (20th August 1859.)

In submitting the enclosed original address,* with a Translate in English, I have the honor to solicit the instructions of Government, whether the use of the Seal therein adverted to, can be allowed.

† Alleel Amah.

2. The party† who has sent the address, is a woman of rank, the present head of the Alleel family, and on the receipt of a Malikana of Rupees 888, Annas 5 per annum.

3. The impression of the Seal corresponds in dimension and appearance with those of the Talook Police Seals generally, and differs but little in size from that of the Government cadjan stamp. From the resemblance which it thus bears to public Seals, it is open to much abuse, and therefore highly objectionable.

4. Act XVIII of 1835, prohibits the wearing by private individuals of badges resembling those worn by Government servants, but whether this Statute can be considered to apply, in its spirit, to Seals, is a matter of question, and I doubt whether its penal provisions can be enforced in cases of the nature under reference, without a fresh enactment authorizing the step.

To P. GRANT, Esq., Collector and Magistrate of Malabar.

Petition of Alleel Amah, holding the Moopil Stanom (senior rank) in Poyavaye Alleel, in Calicut, and named Ithoo Cootty.

With the view of guarding as much as possible, against the fabrication of documents, which is resorted to from the circumstances of the times, and the hardship and loss which such frabrication leads to, I, as a measure of precaution, have got a Seal made for the purpose of stamping all the documents I may in future sign. In order that the impression of the Seal may remain as a proof on (your) record, I have affixed it hereunder. Besides this, I have stamped with it a piece of Cadjan, which is also herewith forwarded. Having resolved to affix the Seal in question to all the documents, which I may sign from this day forward, I request that the stamped cadjan above mentioned, may in proof of it be recorded with this Petition.

Signature.

The impression of the Seal.

Dated 11th Chingom 1034, (26th August 1859.)

(True translation.)

(Signed) P. GRANT,
Magistrate.

No. 60. ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1859, No. 1391.

Referred for the report of the Superintendent of Stamps, and for the opinion of the Government Pleader.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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The Superintendent of Stamps – with Petition & Seal to be returned. 15 Oct 59

" Govt. Pleaders.