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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 11th January 1859,

No. 7. Read the following letter from Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police; to D. F. CARMICHAEL, Esq., Deputy Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 20th December 1858, No. 178.

SIR,

In returning the accompanying petition from Jonan Joseph, a Native of Syria; I have the honor to state that the petitioner was arrested in the district of Tanjore by the Magistrate, Mr. Phillips, and forwarded to Madras. On the 7th September last, I reported his arrival to Government, and in due course received instruction to release him from custody. Vide Extract from Minutes of Consultation, of date 23rd Idem, Judicial Department, No. 1304. Since that time, the said Jonan Joseph has been at large, and I have every reason to believe that he has conducted himself well. Upon enquiry, I learn that he has neither friends, relatives nor persons of same caste and country to seek relief from in this city.

No. 8. To the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, &c., &c., &c., Fort Saint George.

The humble Petition of Jonahan Joseph, a Native of Syria, but now residing in the Village of Lang's Garden.

HUMBLY SHEWETH,

That your poor and humble petitioner considering the British Government as the guardians and protectors of their own subjects, and those of all other foreign nations, who temporarily take refuge in the British territories in this part of India, and as your Lordship in Council is the representative of the paramount authority, he appeals to you as a Christian foreigner for justice and protection, and he begs leave with sentiments of the utmost respect and submission, to submit for the consideration of your Lordship in Council, that he is a Native of Syria, and came down to the Madras Coast, with the view of procuring a livelihood, in consequence of certain pecuniary difficulties, in which he was involved in. That accordingly he came down to a part of the Madras Coast, with the view of coming up to the Presidency of Madras, but was unfortunately arrested at Tanjore, and sent down to Madras as a prisoner in custody. That on his arrival here, he was placed in the Jail of the Commissioner of Police, for about a month, and after a respectful Appeal to Government, he was released but under the surveillance of the Police. That for the last two months he is subsisting on the public charity, leaving his poor wife and children, and a large aged relations with considerable debts in his native country to all the horrors of sorrow, misery and want, and your petitioner is here in the British dominions without the refuge of a friend or relative to beguile or comfort him in his misfortunes, and he is thereby reduced to the painful and degrading necessity of begging his food from door to door. That subsequently he appealed to Colonel Boulderson, to allow him a passage to Masulipatam, so that he might return to his native country, but that worthy gentleman refused his request, he thereupon made a second appeal, praying that he might be sent to Bombay at least, so that he may seek his way to his native country under the protection of the British Government, but to his great misfortune, even this humble prayer was denied to him by the Commissioner of Police, and at length driven to despair and misery, he implored of Colonel Boulderson, to give him some means of subsistence in this strange country, but to his painful sorrow, this humble request was also rejected by the worthy Commissioner, and he is now reduced to that dreadful necessity of perishing in the open streets belonging to the charitable British Government, a name so renowned throughout the whole world. He is a Christian by faith, and came down to this part of India of obtaining a livelihood. Under these circumstances, Honorable Sir, he prays and implores you will pity his poor miserable condition, and for the love of the Almighty God pass an order to the Commissioner of Police, to procure your poor petitioner a passage to Bombay, from whence under the protection of the Government, he may be enabled to join his poor wife and children in his native country, and for such act of justice and charity, your petitioner as in duty bound,

Madras, }
2nd December 1858. }

Will ever pray, &c.

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 11th January 1859.

No. 3195.

Forwarded to the Commissioner of Police, for report.

By Order,

Fort Saint George,
16th December 1858. }

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL.
Dy. Secretary to Govt.

No. 9.

ORDER THEREON, No. 13 ; dated 5th January 1859.

This man Jonan Joseph, was arrested last year at Tanjore, and has been under the eye of the Police here, ever since.

2. His story is that he is a Nestorian Christian, an inhabitant of one of the outlying districts of Persia; that, to discharge his debts at home, he set out on a begging expedition to India, that Dr. Wilson of Bombay opened a subscription for him, and has 38 Rupees in deposit for him; that Dr. Hook of Mangalore opened another subscription, the proceeds of which, a considerable sum, have been remitted to the said Dr. Wilson on his account; and that he was going via Tanjore, to Madras and Calcutta, when he was taken up by the Police. And he prays to be sent back to his own country.

3. The Governor in Council resolves, under the provisions of Section XII, Act XXXIII of 1857, to cause Jonan Joseph, to be removed from the British territories in India. The Commissioner of Police will arrange for his passage to Bombay, in communication with the Superintendent of Marine, reporting the name, &c., of the vessel; and the Government of Bombay will be moved to transport him to Persia, at the earliest opportunity and at the expense of this Government.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Judicial Department.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Dated 5th Jan^y 1859.

Read Petition of Jonan Joseph - 2 Dec^r 1858.

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Colonel J. C. Boulderson
Commissioner of Police

/Here enter 20th Dec^r 1858 No. 178/

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To the Comr of Police }
Supt of Marine } Signed 8th

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Memo:

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3. The Govt. have the power, if they think fit, to order him to remove himself from India by such route as they may direct. As all his money is at Bombay, he might be allowed to travel there, his license specifying the particular route. But, as he has no other means of subsistence at present than begging, he will be a long time on the road. D. H. 20/12/58.

He might be sent on an offering - with offering - 8/10

George Washington
Dec 20 1797

My dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th inst. in relation to the matter of the late Mr. [Name] and to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
[Signature]

Oct 20 1797

Received of [Name] the sum of [Amount] Dollars for [Purpose]
[Signature]
[Date]

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Feb. 24. To Lewis: 11 "Penny 1/59.

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Dated 5th January 1859.

Deciding under the provisions
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to Bombay, repaying me of
the cost of his passage, and
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India at the expense of the
Govt.