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No. 161. Read the following letter from Mr. JAMES RICHARDSON; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 17th February 1863.

Under the Codicil of the late Dr. Stokes' Will, the late Mr. Serle, in his official capacity of Registrar of the Supreme Court, took charge of all the monies belonging to the Estate and became Trustee to my wife, and paid the interest regularly.

In January 1860 I applied to Mr. Serle to know what Bonds he had belonging to this Trust. He referred me to Mr. T. Brass, his Manager, by whose reply (copy of which is enclosed) I was led to believe that the Bonds were then in the office. After the death of Mr. Serle, on my applying for the overdue interest, Mr. A. M. Ritchie wrote to me that he had no monies belonging to the Trust. Upon this I inquired at the Accountant General's office and there ascertained that so far back as 1849, the interest on the Bond for Sicca Rupees 5,000 was transferred to Calcutta at the request of Messrs. Bainbridge & Co., who were then Mr. Serle's Agents, and that the interest on the other two Bonds was likewise transferred to Bombay in 1857, at the request of Luchmedut Davay Soucar.

As I understand that the subject of the late Mr. Serle's proceedings in regard to certain Estates is under the consideration of Government, I beg to lay the foregoing statement before the Honorable the Governor in Council and respectfully draw His Excellency's attention to the date of Mr. Brass' reply to my inquiry, viz., 14th January 1860, and to the dates of the transactions by which the interest, on the Government Promissory Notes, was transferred to Calcutta and Bombay, viz., 21st June 1849, and 14th March 1857, with the hope that His Excellency will kindly order such measures to be taken as may be necessary for obtaining for my wife the restitution of her property.

14th January 1860.

My Dear Mr. Richardson,

There appears to be three Notes in hand.

2 of 35-36—4 per cent... ... ...Co.'s	Rupees	1,200 0 0
1 of 23-24—4 per cent., S. Rupees 5,000... ...	„	5,325 0 0
	Rupees	6,525 0 0

I believe Mr. Teed is better. I have not heard from him more than a week. He was lately very sick, and I think he is now improving.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed) T. BRASS.

Loan of 13th September 1824.

No. 682 of 670 for.....S. Rupees	5,000	Interest transferred to Calcutta as per application of Messrs. Bainbridge & Co., 21st June 1849.
„ 15,370 of 35-36 for.....Co.'s	„	500	Interest transferred to Bombay on application of Luchmeedut Davay, 14th March 1857.
„ 6,769 of 35-36 for..... „	„	700	

COPY.

Estate of Surgeon Stokes in Account Current with William A. Serle, Esq., the Registrar of the Supreme Court and the duly constituted Attorney of Thomas Wilson, Esq., the surviving Executor in India of the deceased.

1845, January 17th.—By balance of Cash in favor of the deceased's Estate paid over to Mr. Thomas Brass upon Trust to pay the same to William Ambrose Serle, Esq., the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the time being and as such the Trustee duly appointed under the deceased's Will, to be by him applied according to the Trusts thereof as per his receipt... ... ... 24,272 15 8

(Signed) A. M. R.

dist of 31st March

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT,

Judicial Letter to Engd 24/27th Oct. No. 532 of 1863

Dated 24 March 1863.

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Mr. Brass manager of the Administrator General's Office called upon for an explanation of his conduct in reference to the Securities belonging to Mrs. J. Richardson.

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