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Judicial **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 120. Read the following letter from the Magistrate of Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Vallam, 1st December 1865, No. 246.

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, Judicial Department, dated 24th November 1865, I have the honor to forward, herewith, for the perusal of Government, a letter which I have received from Mr. Plumer, regarding a private letter addressed by him to Thiagasammantha Mudali in May 1864.

2. As this letter has evidently been inserted by Thiagasammantha Mudali in paragraph 3 of his Memorial to Government, dated 26th October 1865, for the purpose of making it appear that Mr. Plumer was in the habit of having pecuniary dealings with him, and he has moreover (to my certain knowledge) been lately most grossly slandering that gentleman, I have deemed it to be only my duty, in justice to Mr. Plumer, to forward his explanation of what might otherwise be open to misconstruction.

From C. G. PLUMER, Esq., Acting Joint Magistrate of Tanjore, to the Magistrate of Tanjore; dated Negapatam, 28th November 1865, No. 125.

I have just received the Proceedings of Government, dated 24th November 1865, No. 1679, and I trust that it will not be thought out of place if I venture to furnish explanation regarding the private letter addressed by me to Thiagasammantha Mudaliar, as the request, therein contained, that Thiagasammantha Mudaliar would send me Rupees 35, might, possibly, be open to misconstruction. I have the honor, therefore, to request that you will forward this letter to Government.

2. In January 1862, when I joined the District, there was no house to be had here, and Mr. Fraser, the Engineer in charge of the Range, who was living in Thiagasammantha Mudaliar's house, kindly allowed me to occupy a portion of it, I paying a certain portion of the rent. In April or May 1862, I was moved to Mayaveram. I had, during my tenancy, re-matted my portion of the house, and these mats, and a few other small articles of furniture, Thiagasammantha Mudaliar took off my hands. This left him indebted to me in a sum of Rupees 35. As, however, I owed exactly this sum to Mr. Fraser, and as he was to continue to occupy Thiagasammantha Mudaliar's house, I arranged with Mr. Fraser that he should deduct Rupees 35 from the rent which he would have to pay to Thiagasammantha Mudaliar, and thus settle all accounts.

3. In April or May 1864, I was surprised by receiving a letter from Mr. Fraser, asking me to pay him the Rupees 35, due to him. I, at once, wrote and reminded him of the arrangement which I had previously made with him; and, at the same time, as I heard from Thiagasammantha Mudaliar that Mr. Fraser had not deducted Rupees 35 from his rent, I enclosed Mr. Fraser a check on Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. for Rupees 35—this check is dated 21st May 1864, and numbered 10,204,—and, at the same time, requested Thiagasammantha Mudaliar to pay me that amount, which he still owed me; this he promised to do, and this was the Rupees 35, *which I referred to in my letter.*

No. 121. ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1865, No. 1787.

To be recorded.

(True Extract).

A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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Judicial Department

From

The Magistrate

of Tanjore

To

The Chief Secretary

to Government

Fort St. George

Dated 1st } December 1865

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13 December 65 No. 1787

Ft. 246

Enclosure No 2601

Regarding information

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Regarding a private letter

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