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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 10-86	Press Mis.
(Ms.) 113-115	
Dated 11-2	19-86.

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Read the following papers:—

No. 113. From the Commissioner of Police, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 14th June 1866, No. 68.

The Madras Agents of Messrs. Fakeer Mahomed and Co., Licensed Dealers at Ootacamund, having applied to me for a Transit License to enable them to forward 250lbs. of Gunpowder to the said Fakeer Mahomed and Co., I have the honor to request you will be good enough to obtain the necessary sanction.

Referred to the Magistrate of Coimbatore, for his opinion as to the advisability of complying with this application, and for information as to where Messrs. Fakeer Mahomed and Co. intend to keep the powder, and whether such place is safe.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
19th June 1866.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 114. From the Magistrate of Coimbatore, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Coimbatore, 2nd July 1866, No. 59.

In reply to your Official Memorandum, of the 19th June 1866, I beg to inform you that I see no reason to refuse to let Fakeer Mahomed have the 250lbs. of Gunpowder alluded to, but I certainly think that he should not be allowed to have more than 50 or 60lbs. at a time in his shop. The interests of the community generally demand this precaution, I think.

2. The original letter of the Joint Magistrate of Ootacamund is forwarded for the information of Government.

From the Joint Magistrate of Ootacamund, to the Magistrate of Coimbatore; dated Ootacamund, 30th June 1866, No. 67.

In reply to your Official Memorandum, No. 124, dated 25th June 1866, I have the honor to report that I have examined the place in which Messrs. Fakeer Mahomed and Co., of Ootacamund, intend storing the 250lbs. of Gunpowder, referred to in letter, No. 68, of 14th June 1866, from Commissioner of Police, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

2. Fakeer Mahomed and Co.'s shop (as you are aware) has lately been built close to the public road, below Mr. Etienne's establishment, and close to it is a house occupied by the late Mr. Lowry; and the establishments of Messrs. J. Eagan and Sons, and of Messrs. Aboo Sait and Co., may be about 80 or 100 yards distant from Messrs. Fakeer Mahomed and Co.'s shop.

3. The store in which Messrs. Fakeer Mahomed and Co. intend placing the Gunpowder is a small godown, close to their shop, without windows, so that no one can have access to the Gunpowder, except through the door, which will be locked.

4. I am not aware of what precautions are necessary for Gunpowder Magazines, but the Godown in question seems to me a safe enough store for Gunpowder. However, powder is a dangerous neighbour, and may prove treacherous, when one least expects it.

No. 115. ORDER THEREON, 11th July 1866, No. 1086.

The Magistrate's letter will be communicated to the Commissioner of Police, Madras, with reference to his letter, dated 14th June 1866.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
11*th July* 1866.

2. A license may be granted for the transit of 50lbs. of powder at once, and for the rest at such intervals, and in such quantities, as the Commissioner, in communication with the District Magistrate, may approve..

(True Extract).

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Commissioner of Police.
„ Magistrate of Coimbatore.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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From

The Commr of Police
Madras

To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George.

Dated 14th & 15th June 1866
No 1297

Requests sanction
to grant the Agents of
Messrs Graham & Co
a transit License
to forward to Arcot
& Coimbatore 2500lbs
Gunpowder -

Recd 25 July
Rg

The Magistrates & Council
Coimbatore do direct
the expenditure of 50 lbs of Gunpowder
this month was by order of the Chairman
who come after Mr. Ryder - all the Members
pose on the Committee. These were
Order - 11th July 1866 No 1086 - comm.

Comm? of Police Madras
Ltr rep. & his letter of 16
June 1866.

a licence may be
granted for the transport
of 50 lbs of Gunpowder at once
for the use at each
Station in such quantities
as the Comm?. in comm?
with the D? Engineer may
N? approve - 2/6

Court of Police -
Capt. the Magis? of Coimbatore 3 Sept 14/66