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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Indira DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. <u>258-60</u>	Press _____ Mis. <u>Original</u>
Dated <u>1.2</u>	18 <u>94</u>

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10 Rupees

10 Rupees

Madras, December 9th 1893

Borrowed, and received from Chanthi Mulla
Salah Madras some other sum of rupees (2,000).
two thousand, which I promise to pay to him, or
his order by monthly instalments of (Rs 100), one
hundred only, first instalment commencing from
January 5th 1894, each and every instal-
ment should be accordingly on the 5th
of every successive month, payable at Madras,
in default of any instalment, the whole
balance becomes due and payable at once with
interest at 7% per annum for value
received

Rs 2,000

Signed) J. E. Hasted
Asstt Supt. Police

Presidency Magistrate's court Exhibit
Madras 25th Jan 1894

True copy
J. Kelly
Sd/-

(True copy)

Under Secretary

No. 15

City Police Office,

From

Joseph A. M. H. Gordon
THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
MADRAS.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George
Madras.

1 — I have the honor to forward copy of depositions recorded in 50th Indian L. by the Chief Presidency Magistrate at Changanore S. E. Gordon with the Office of Cheating and the punishment secured by that Office on 19th ultimo upon information laid by the Police for the arrest of Gordon alias Ramiah.

2 — Gordon eluded capture by the Police and embarked as a deck passenger in S. S. Arabia which left Bombay on 10th instant but at the instance of the Bombay Government he has been arrested at Suez and is now in custody there awaiting extradition.

3 — The Office alleged is one in respect of which extradition can be demanded

as money was obtained by false pretences
but it will be difficult to send to Egypt
Conclusive evidence that the man in question
there is the man who cheated Chouteau
As Chouteau and his two Cache people
who were present at the time are unwilling
to undertake a sea voyage.

4 — I have directed the Police to get
the Magistrate to record the evidence of the
Coachman who drove the man to Chouteau
house and of Francis the servant
at the Central Hotel at which place
Gordon stayed while in the city.
These depositions will be submitted to
Government when received but I do not
delay my report as they may be able
to decide without having these depositions
before them whether it is necessary to send
either or to the three witnesses to Suez to identify
Gordon.

5 — Unfortunately there is no Police
Officer in Mexico who can identify
the man who passed here by the name
of Gordon but it is possible that
he has made damaging admissions
since his arrest at Suez or that
his identity with Gordon appears

from papers found with him.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

Henry Colver
Commissioner of Police

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enclosed in the
letter of the 1st inst.
to the Consul at
Suez is a copy of
the report of the
Magistrate of the
Central Hotel at
Mexico City.

7-12-93-2558 hrs
17-11-93-2369-92 hrs
27-11-93-2462-63 hrs

Gradual

From

The Commissioner of Police
Madras.

For order.

The Chief Secretary to Govt
Fort St. George

Dated 26th January 1894.
Received 27th Jan 29th



No 15

Enclosures. 2.

Extradition

Forwarding copy of complainant's
deposition recorded by Magistrate at
the Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court
for Cheating & who is now in
custody at Secy, requesting to apply
for his rendition. Enquiring whether
it is necessary to send complaint or his
written statement to Secy to identify the
accused.

For order

No. 16.

City Police Office.

Madras, 27th January 1894.

From Colonel F. W. H. Cox
THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
MADRAS.

To The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.
Madras.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 15
dated 26th January 1894, I have the honor
to forward copies of further depositions taken
by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Egmore, in
the matter of the Complaint of Cheating
preferred against H. S. Gordon.

2. A description of Gordon is enclosed.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

W. H. Cox

Commissioner of Police
Madras

W. H. Cox

CURRENT

The Commissioner of India
Madras

The Chief Secretary to Govt.
Fort St. George.

Dated 29th } January 1894
Received.

No 16.

Enclosure - 2-3
with complete
times.

Extradition

Forwarding Copies of for the
depositions to Complaint of
Cheating preferred against
Fordon.

Telegram from J. Blasted, Palghat,
17th December 1893 to James Short Esq, Solicitor.
"Not in Madras 9th never executed
promissory note"

Copy forwarded to L. Hawth Mull
Sallah for info and further instruction

lit B.
-1-94
(Initl) N.E.C.

(true copy)

Under Secretary.

25-1-94
South. Mull Lala. Solemnly affirmed.

I am a money lender reside in 121 Mint Street Black Town. On the 8th of December 1893 I and my Gurmasta, Munuswamy Chetty were seated in the parlour of my house between 3 and 4 P.M. One Subroyalu Pillai a money broker came and informed me that a Mr. Hastid, Superintendent of Police had come to Madras and wanted a loan of Rs 2000. He further told me he would send his brother, Bundaswamy Pillai into Mr. Hastid next day and I was to give the gentleman Rs 2000 and not be afraid. At 11 O'clock on the 9th Bundaswamy Pillai and Venkiah Kaidu came to me and I made enquiries from them as to status of gentleman as Bundaswamy told me his brother Subroyalu Pillai had sent him regarding the gentleman who wanted money. Bundaswamy told me he had found the gentleman was at the Club and was a Superintendent of Police drawing Rs 500 a month; my Gurmastah referred to Army list and found Mr. J. E. Hastid was Superintendent of Police at Palghat drawing Rs 500. Both left saying they would bring the gentleman. I asked them to take my Gurmastah they said this was unnecessary they would bring the gentleman themselves. At 1 P.M. the same day 9th the gentleman, Venkiah Kaidu and Bundaswamy Pillai came. The gentleman said he was Mr. Hastid, Superintendent of Police and on my asking for his papers, he said he had left them at home. Bundaswamy told me in Hindustani. I need not be afraid he and his brother knew him and they had been to the Club.

club and found his name in the register there. On this I gave money to Venkiah to get stamped paper. This was procured and the gentleman wrote Exhibit A at my dictation & signed J. E. Hastid, Assistant Superintendent of Police. I then gave him 1180 in notes and 20/- in cash and they left after paying me 10/- for stamped paper.

My gumastah about 1/2 an hour after came in and asked me if I had seen the gentleman's papers. I said no, and then becoming suspicious got a carriage and went to the Club. On my road I met Subraya Pillai and told him I had paid the money and was going to the Mount Road. He said it was alright. In enquire at Club found the name not in the Register and no such gentleman had come there. Then went to Wellington Hotel did not find gentleman there. Went to Subraya Pillai's house and informed him I found no gentleman at the Club. He said don't be afraid. I will send my brother tomorrow and satisfy you about the matter. Next day Gundeswamy and Venkiah came to my house and told me the gentleman had left but Subraya would come next day and take me to the Chief Office and satisfy me the gentleman had come to Madras. Next day Subraya Pillai came and I sent my gumastah with him to the Head Office and there found no arrival had been reported. Then my gumastah informed me. Then we found the coachman who drove the gentleman and he said he had driven the gentleman from the Central Hotel

Hotel to Subraya Pillai's house and thence to my house and that after getting the money. Subraya Pillay had joined the gentleman and they separated in the People's Park. Then we enquired of Francis Butler and learnt from him the gentleman's name was G. E. Gordon. Then I consulted with Mr. Short my lawyer on 14th December and he told me to write to Mr. Hastid at Palghat and act after getting his reply. I accordingly did so sending a stamp for reply by telegram and received in reply telegram Exhibit B.

I then complained to the Police and on the 19th December obtained a warrant of arrest against Gordon.

(Sd/) Southemulla Lala.

(Sd/) W. E. Clarke.

Ag. Chief Presidency Magistrate.

25-1-94.

(True copy)

(Signed) F. Kelly
Chief Clerk.

(True Copy)

Under Secretary.

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Thanthony solemnly affirmed. I am coachman of one Treasurer. about a month and $\frac{1}{2}$ ago Francis Butler engaged my carriage for Mr Gordon. He was not at the Hotel and told to drive on and we met him in Lungiar Paupur Street, Pursawakam asked me to drive him from thence to a Sowcar house in Albion Street, Black Town. This was on Saturday about 12-30 P.M. Two Hindus were with Gordon when he asked me to take him. They were brokers and got into the carriage with him. I went Sowcar's house in Albion Street and Gordon and brokers got out and went in. I would identify all 3 if I saw them again. I waited about $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour then all 3 got into bandy and drove to the Hotel in Rundell's Road. On my way a man driving a travelling carriage called me I did not hear but the Hindus in my carriage stopped me and the occupant of the travelling coach got into ours and the Hindu occupants of my carriage interchanged into the travelling carriage. I drove gentleman and remaining Hindu who told me to drive towards the Hotel. On our way through the Peoples Park to the Hotel the Hindu alighted and asked me the hire. I said if the gentleman gave him $\frac{1}{2}$ and this

was

was offered. to me and I took and said
I would get balance at the Hotel. subse-
quently the gentleman paid me balance
at 1100 Simpson's.

The mark of Shanthy.
Sd. W. E. Clarke
Ag. Chief Presidency Magistrate

Copy made by }
Sd. J. Kelly. }
26-1-94. }
Chief Clerk.
/ True Copy /

Under Secretary

Description of Gordon alias. Rummell
alias. Macpherson.

Age about 30. Scotchman. Height 5 feet &
9 inches. Complexion fair. Eyes blue. Hair brown
well built and well dressed. Gentlemanly
appearance. Very ha ha in conversation. Has
a peculiar habit of holding the back of his
skirt with his fingers. Was dressed in a
tweed suit made at Shaik Moideen's.
sample of tweed is attached. He also had
a double breasted Khakee Coat made in the
same shop. The Tweed coat may have the
name "Shaik Moideen" on the inside of
collar. Had a small tin box with him.
It is said his hands are very smooth.
Appears not to have done any hard work.

/ Signed / H. W. H. Cox, Colonel.
Commissioner of Police.
/ True Copy /

Under Secretary

Francis.

Sworn

I am a butler. I work at central hotel. Mr. Gordon came to Madras on December 5th to the central Hotel. He was 4 days and left on evening of December 9th. During time Gordon was at hotel he got a carriage and drove about to various places. On 6th December Gordon sent me with a letter to Mr. Stopford, Manager of Mail Office and I went to the Mail office on Beach. Mr. Stopford gave me a letter and I brought this back to Mr. Gordon at central Hotel when he was discussing with 2 brokers. I saw him open the letter and take out of it one currency note for 10/- He asked me if this was all and was very dissatisfied and said he wanted more. On 7th broker came and took Mr. Gordon about he returned at 2 P.M. and after tiffin they took him about again. on 8th also 2 brokers took Mr. Gordon about I don't know the names of these men but I can identify them.

On 8th 2 brokers who came and took him away were the same men. On 9th brokers did not come and Gordon sent me to the house of Soobroya Pillay. Soobroya Pillay was not one of brokers who came personally. I saw Soobroya Pillay.

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Pillay and told him my master wanted him.
he replied tell your master. I will come at
11 A.M. He did not come so Gordon sent
me again to Soolroya Pillay. I saw Soolroya
Pillay he said tell your master to drive here
and get a good carriage and drive to my house.
I got a carriage but my master (Gordon)
was not at the Hotel and I heard from
hotel servants he had gone with 2 brokers to
Soolroya Pillay's house.

I took carriage to Soolroya Pillay's house
when I saw Gordon, Soolroya Pillay and
the two brokers who had always hitherto come.
Gordon and the two brokers got into carriage
I brought and ordered me to drive to Sowcarpet.
Soolroya got into a pilka and followed.
At 2.30 on 7th Gordon returned; paid hotel
bill 30/ and told driver to go Mrs Simpson's
mess as he owed her 10/ for carriage hire. I was
with him, he paid Mrs Simpson and got another
carriage from her and drove to Popham's Broad-
way where he tried on a suit of clothes at
Haikh Mohideen's shop. On the way to the
roadway we met the 2 brokers and
carriage stopped and they got into the
carriage with Gordon. And afterwards
stopped carriage and left and we went on
to the tailors shop. At tailors shop whilst
trying

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trying on clothes Subroya came and spoke
to Gordon, then Gordon hurriedly took off
clothes he was trying on and bundled them
into the carriage. Subroya shut the windows
and asked driver to drive to Pallanaram
or Chingleput or anywhere to catch a
train. I said the horse could not go so
far and advised Gordon to remain in
Madras next day. He then told me to
drive to the house of a prostitute in Patter's
Road. I went and left him there. This
was about 5 P.M. I went back to Central
Hotel and got Gordon's box and took
it to him at this woman's house.

Next morning I saw Gordon at this
woman's house he gave me money to get
cigarettes but I could get none as shops were
closed so I did not go back again.

Next morning Monday 11th I went
to the woman's house at 7 A.M. The woman
said Gordon had left on the previous
(Sunday) evening.

By M. Francis Butler.

By W. E. Clarke
Chief Presidency Magistrate
(True copy)

Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court
Ceylon
27th January 1894
(True copy)
By J. Kelly
Chief Clerk

Under Secretary

Despatched 30/1

Urgent telegram to Gov^r of
Bombay

N^o 4th Reported one Gordon arrested
Suez for cheating & forgery
at Madras at instance
Bombay Gov^r. Please
report what is known
& whether formal warrant
for arrest has been
sent to Suez by Bombay
Gov^r.

to
30 Jan.

Code Class. INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number.

To (Office) Telephone From (Office)

Words.	Day.	Hour.	Minute.	Official Instructions.
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To (Person) Under Secretary Govt From (Person) Commr of Police

Word Form

I have not been in direct communication with the Bombay Govt on the subject of Gordon's extradition. In consequence of information received from my Deputy, the Commissioner of Police Bombay, made enquiries and learning that Gordon had left in steamer Arabia requested the Bombay Govt to telegraph to the British Consul at Ceylon to cause Gordon's arrest on arrival there.

F.C.B.

The Bombay Govt stated that as Gordon had left the limits of British India they would communicate the facts to the Govt of Ceylon leaving it to that Govt.

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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number.

To (Office)					From (Office)				
Words.	Day.	Hour.	Minute.	Official Instructions.					
To (Person)					From (Person)				

to take any action considered necessary.

The Commissioner of Police Bombay subsequently reported that Gordon had been actually arrested at Suva. I can send a Police officer to take charge of Gordon.

F.C.S.

It is for Govt to consider whether it is necessary or desirable to send also the coachman and the butler Francis. It must be indemnified for loss of time.

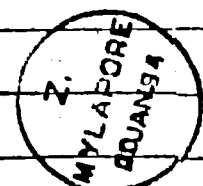
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Telegraph Master.

INDIAN TELEGRAPH. Monthly Local No. 279				
To madras				From Bombay
Station mylapore				Station
Words.	Day.	Hour.	Minute.	Official Instructions.
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To (Person) Madras				From (Person) P. J. Prasad

629 your telegram regarding Gordon had action was taken at the instance of your Deputy Commissioner Police to whom please refer.



RECD. FROM			L. N.			SENT TO			L. N.		
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Current No. *127*
Judicial DEPARTMENT.

From *Govt of Bombay*

No.

Dated 30. 1. 94

Received 31. 1. 94

Enclosures —

SUBJECT.

*Shading that action
w re to the arrest of Gordon
was taken at the instance
of the D. Com. Madras*

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated

18 , No.

Again G.O., dated

18 , No.

Current No. *417*

of 1894, dated *26 Jan* from *the Comd. of Police, Madras.*

Current No. *460*
— *491*

of 1894, dated *27 Jan* from *Sitto. Govt. of Bombay.*
Order 1st Feb 94 No 258

Note

*The rules regarding
procedure in such
cases will be found
at the places marked
in the bound file.*

*I have not seen that the
letter ought not to go to the
Ambassador at Constantinople.
Better add a para asking the
Minister in Egypt to send on
to the Ambassador if it is
properly done & then*

*What is being ^{done} about the natives
who were apparently the
accomplices of the man
Gordon? apparently they
should be prosecuted. His
arrest is not in anyway
necessary for that.*

*It is desirable in cases of
this description that formal*

*A letter will be despatched
to Her Majesty's Minister
Plenipotentiary at Cairo
with a view to obtaining
the arrest & despatch in
custody to Madras of the
man A. L. Gordon alias
Rammell.*

*2. A police-officer should
be detailed by the Commission
to proceed to Cairo & he
should be furnished with
a copy of the warrant & of
the depositions & with a
letter ^{from the Comd. of Police} declaring the purpose
of his journey. The Govt. also
thinks it expedient that
the Police officer should be
accompanied by some
person capable of identifying
the fugitive & the Commissioner
will arrange accordingly. The
Govt. will of course be
prepared to indemnify such
person in a reasonable
amount for expenses &
loss incurred by him on
account of the journey.*

4. The police officer deputed by the Commissioner should be instructed ^{to present himself} before ~~departing~~ from Bombay, at the office of the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, in order to ascertain whether anything further has been heard of ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~case~~.

to the Court of Police (Q 100) etc
copy to the Chief Clerk Mag. 2/12

My Lord,
With advantage to section
10 of the Ottoman Order in
Council, 1882, I am directed
to request that your Lordship
will be pleased to endorse
the enclosed warrant for
the arrest of one Shirees
Gordon alias Rammell
in the manner prescribed
in section 3 of the Fugitive
Offenders Act, 1881, in view
to the apprehension &
deportation to Madras of
that individual.

2. Your Lordship will observe that the man Gordon is charged with having committed the offences of Cheating by Personation, Cheating &

depts of the native accomplished
 1/2/93

2. The following papers are enclosed for information: -

- (1) The Chief Presidency Magistrate's Warrant for the arrest of Gordon;
- (2) a true copy of the deposition

- of South hull Lala;
- (3) a true copy of the document said to have been forged by Gordon;
 - (4) a true copy of a telegram from J. Hasted, Asst. Supt. of Police;
 - (5) a true copy of the depositions on oath of one Francis & one Anthony;
 - (6) a description of Gordon's personal appearance;
 - (7) a copy of a letter by the 26th January 1894 from the Commissioner of Police, Madras, & the Chief Secy to the Madras Govt.

I have etc

LD
31 Jan.

Letter N^o 260
To the Secy & the Govt. of Bengal, India.
Sir.

I am directed, with advertisement to your telegram N^o 629, of the 30th Jan^y 1894, to forward to you a copy of the Proceedings of the Madras Govt. of this date & to ^{request} that the Govt. of Bombay will be pleased to instruct the Comd^r of Police, Bombay, to furnish to the police officers deputed to arrest the fugitive Gordon such assistance as may be necessary on ^{his} departure from & return to Bombay.

I have etc

LD
31 Jan
31/1/94

5. In conclusion I am to request that your Lordship will be so good as to forward this letter to Her Majesty's Ambassador in Constantinople if, in your Lordship's opinion, it should have been addressed to ~~that~~ that authority.

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ORDINARY, MS.

<i>Judd</i> DEPARTMENT.
G.O., DATED <i>1. 2. 94</i>
No. <i>258-60.</i>

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Passing orders re the arrest at
Muz of A. L. Gordon alias Ramach
addressing H. R. M's Minister
Plenipotentiary, Cairo, & the Govt
of Bombay in connection therewith