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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

UNDER Section 10 of the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1884, the undermentioned gentlem~~e~~an ha~~ve~~s been duly elected a Municipal Councillor~~s~~ of the Municipality of Cochin :—

Mr J. L. D'Silva.

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Cochin 21st. December 1895

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To

The Collector of Malabar
Calicut.

Sir,

We have the honor to conform the telegrams exchanged between us as per Copies enclosed, and in now submitting the accompanying Copies of Correspondence passed between the Chairman Delegate of the local municipal Council and one Mr Ben Manuel whom we nominated as a Candidate for election of a Councillor to have taken place today we beg you will be good enough to give the matter your kind and favorable consideration.

Call for [illegible] the chairman's report on the election.
[illegible]
6-1-96

The enclosures speak for themselves and by way of explanation we would mention that when we nominated Mr Ben Manuel on the 6th instant we were satisfied that our nominee was eligible for election and our nomination was accepted and confirmed by the Chairman and a public notification was made of it, and the polling date was duly fixed for the 21st instant.

To our surprise we were informed on the 16th instant for the first time, that Mr Ben Manuel was eligible only up to the 15th instant and that he having failed to pay his income tax from the months of August to November his name was excluded in the new list which was exposed for public information at the Municipal office from the 16th instant.

The only reason assigned for our nominee's ineligibility is the omission of his name in the new list prepared by the Board.

From the Correspondence exchanged between our nominee and the Chairman Delegate as to his qualification for election it would appear that the arrears in the payment of his income tax were caused through no fault of his and it would further tend to show that the information gathered by the Municipal Council for the preparation of the new list in question is incorrect and unreliable inasmuch that it was obtained without proper enquiry, for the Officer to whom Mr Manuel paid his tax on the 17th instant having himself expressed that the arrears were caused by an oversight on their part and which statement remains uncontradicted, It is quite manifest that if proper enquiries had been made in order to prepare the list in which Mr Ben Manuel's name is omitted our nominee would not have been declared disqualified

Another point to which we would draw your kind attention is that the Chairman Delegate accepted our nomination on the 6th inst notified the same for public information and duly fixed the poling date for the 21st instant instead of informing us at the time that our nominee would not be eligible on the polling date.

Mr. Ben Manuel our nominee having paid his income tax as soon as we called his attention to it and having also submitted an explanation to the Chairman as regards his position. We have the honor to request that you will be good enough under the peculiar circumstances of the case to overrule the objection raised by the Chairman & pass orders for a fresh election &c especially as of the two remaining candidates one of them Mr L. Jackson has withdrawn.

We also beg to point out that as there has been no cause for election today Mr L. D'Silva being the only Candidate remaining his name has been submitted to Government for conformation. If this appointment is conferred on Mr L. D'Silva we regret to remark that this gentleman being employed in Native states & compelled to remain in Mallipuram permanently for at least 4 or 5 months in the year it is open to doubt whether he would be able to attend the required meetings and thus prove himself useful to the Council.

Under these and other circumstanc we have the honor to request you will be good enough to pass orders to have another election.

We have the honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient Servants
C. Minton H. A. Bland

Cochin 18th December 1875

E. Locke Esqre
Chairman Delegate
Municipal Council
Cochin

Sir,

With reference to your memo No 313 of the 18th instant, I have the honor to state that on my again enquiring with the nominors (at whose repeated request and that of the majority of tax payers. I accepted the proposal of nomination) who nominated me as a candidate for the councillorship for the ensuing election to be held on the 21st inst. they inform me that they referred to the list hung up in your office on the 6th inst and were satisfied that I was eligible and therefore nominated me.

The list in which you state that my name is omitted and in which I should have applied to have my name inserted within three weeks of its publication was as far as my nominors can remember not exposed for public information in your office at the time for even if it were and had escaped their notice I fail to see how you had notified that I am a candidate eligible to election for [illegible]

Had I known at the time or been informed that I was not elig hardly say that I should either have taken the necessary steps to qualify my electio or have asked my nominors not to nominate me.

Regarding the payment of my income-tax, I have the honor to state that as a matter of fact that even when I was employed in the firm of Messrs Aspinwall & Co who recovered the tax from me regularly every month on a consideration from Government of 5 % (in which case the payment was compulsary and the nett amount only paid to me the tax used to be remitte to the Deputy Collector sometimes only after 2, 3 & 4 months and as such I quite naturally expected as I had not made any representation to cancel my tax after I disconnected with the said firm that I was to pay it only when the demand was made and as the arrears in the payment was not my negligence but caused by an oversight on the part of the Collecting Office in consequence of certain changes in their staff (which I desire you will kindly refer and ascertain), I submit that under the peculiar circumstances of the case the enforcement of the election rules you refer to cannot be applied in this instance.

With regard to the last para of your memo above referred to the receipt I forwarded clearly shews that the tax last paid by me was for 4 months and not for 5 months as you seem to think and as for your remark that my name was rightly excluded from the present list I beg with all due deference to state that if it had been so you were in error in notifying that I am a candidate for for election and in duly fixing the 21st inst as the poling day

No 314

Municipal Office
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Instead of giving me timely information for qualifying myself for that date or in not fixing the poling date within the time I was eligible for it which I now understand from the permanent Secretary was on the 15th instant.

In conclusion I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to see that there is no objection to my election and favor me with a reply by noon tomorrow

I have the honor to be
Sir
(Sd) Your Most obedt Servant
Sd/ [illegible]

No. 314

Municipal Office
Cochin 19th December 95

Memo

With reference to his letter of the 18th Instant, Mr B. Manuel is informed that the Chairman sees no reason whatever to alter his decision excluding his name from the list of valid nominations at the ensuing election.

(Sgd) S. Locke
Chairman Delegate

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Copy of Telegrams

The Collector of Malabar

"I four others nominate B. Manuel Municipal Councillor ensuing election According list prepared Municipal office are now informed nomination invalid reason contradictory correspondence post pray postponent election tomorrow"

"Pray interferance postponent electoin tomorrow otherwise refer Madras"

№ 313

Municipal Office
Cochin, 18th December 18

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took place on the 10th October 1895.

The Income tax receipt sent by him, which is herewith returned, clearly shows that he had not been paying Income tax for the last 5 Months. His name was therefore rightly excluded from the present list.

(Sgd) E. Locke.
Chairman Delegate.

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Form P.

Income Tax

Form of Receipt to be granted under Section 32 of the Income Tax Act 11 of 1886

No 19 Dated 17th December 1895

Received from Mr. Ben. Manuel - - - - - the sum of Rs (4 - 2 - 8) four annas two & pies eight only; being the amount of the duty assessed on him - - - - - - under Act II of 1886, according to the particulars specified below. —

Source or sources of estimated Income	Place or places district or districts where the income arises	Amount of Income assessed			Year or portion of the year for which duty is payable	Amount of duty payable including penalty, if any			Date of payment	Amount of instalments if any, remaining to be paid on 189
1	2	3			4	5			6	7
		Rs	as	pies		Rs	as	ps		
Salary	Cochin	50	.	.	From August to November 1895	4	2	8	17-12-95	Nil

(Sgd) T. K. Mathai
For Deputy Collector.

DEPUTY COLLECTOR
[illegible]
COCHIN

Cochin, Malabar Coast
17th December 1895.

The Chairman Delegate
Municipal Council – Cochin

Sir,

I am given to understand that my nomination to a Municipal Councillorship which has been already notified for the ensuing election to take place on the 21st inst is invalid in consequence of my name not appearing in some list or other.

My Nominors inform me that when submitting their application for my nomination they were satisfied from the list hung up in your Office that I was eligible for election, but on enquiry now I learn that because one of the Clerks in your Office did not find my name in the list stuck on the Court wall, among those who are assessed for income tax, he omitted my name in the new list prepared by your Office.

If this be the Case I beg to submit that my tax having always been paid into the Court Monthly, there was no necessity for my name appearing in the Court list in question and it has never been so.

I have been paying my income tax for a long time and the accompanying receipt will satisfactorily satisfy you that I am entitled to nomination.

I further beg that you will be pleased to enquire from the Collector of Income tax here and ascertain whether the

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arrears in the Collection of my tax was not Caused by an oversight in his Office.

Under the above Circumstances I beg you will be pleased to inform me if any such objections to my nomination as reported are existing and if so I beg you will be pleased to overrule them.

I have &ca
s/. B. Manuel

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I have &ca
s/. B. Manuel

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Municipal Office
Cochin 19th Decr 95.

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s/. S. Locke
Chairman Delegate

(True Copies)

S. Locke

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DEPUTY COLLECTOR
23-DEC-1895
COCHIN

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No 315.

Municipal Office
Cochin, 23rd December 1895.

S. Locke Esquire,
Chairman Delegate, Municipal Council,
Cochin

To,
The Collector of Malabar.
Calicut.
(Through the Revenue Divisional Officer)

Sir,

Mr. P. A. Stevenage who had been elected as a Councillor and gazetted on the 27th November 1894 having resigned his seat in the Council, his resignation was accepted by yourself in your Proceedings dated 26th November 1895.

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2. An election notice was consequently issued that nominations to fill the vacancy would be received up to the 6th Instant and that the Polling would take place on the 21st Instant in the event of a contest.

3. By the appointed date, 6th Instant, three nominations were received, whose names are given below,

Messrs J. L. D'Silva.
L. Jackson.
B. Manuel.

Their names were accordingly posted up under rule 19 of the Election rules.

4. On the 16th Instant it was brought to my notice that the last named individual Mr. B. Manuel

was

Statement showing the present Constitution of the Cochin Town Council. (Sanctioned maximum number 16).

DEPUTY COLLECTOR
23-DEC-1895
COCHIN

	Names.	Date of Appointment by Government.	Date of Election	Date on which appointment by Election was Gazetted.
	Ex-officio.			
1.	M. R. Ry. M. Srinivassa Row Avergal	8th Octr. 95.	-	-
	Officials.			
2.	Surgeon Major R. Emberton	31st January 93.	"	"
3.	M. R. Ry. T. K. Mathai Avergal	"	16th Jany 1894.	20th Feby 1894.
	Non. officials			
4.	Mr. E. A. Black. (resigned).	14th May 95.	"	"
5.	" S. Locke	19th Feby 1893.	"	"
6.	" D. R. Viegue	"	13th March 93.	11th April 1893.
7.	M. R. Ry. K. Kaku Kaku Avl.	"	Do.	Do.
8.	Mr. G. F. Fernandez	"	Do.	Do.
9.	K. Moidin Kutti Sahib	"	29th Septr. 93.	24th Octr 1893.
10.	M. R. Ry. Ramchandra Mahadeva Avergal	"	Do.	Do.
11.	Revd. K. Kuruvella	"	Do.	Do.
12.	M. R. Ry. P. S. Pandernath Avl.	"	17th Novr. 93.	12th Decr. 1893.
13.	Mr. P. A. Stevenage (resigned)	"	31st Octr 94.	27th Novr. 94.
14.	M. R. Ry. K. Bastion Avl.	"	Do.	Do.
15.	E. Ahmed Kutti Hadji Sahib	"	10th Decr. 94.	22nd January 95.
16.	Mr. M. Gomez.	"	21st June 95.	23rd July 1895.

Municipal Office
Cochin, 23rd December 1895

S. Locke
Chairman Delegate.

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From
The Chairman
Municipal Council
Cochin

To
The Collector of
Malabar

Dated 23-12-95
Read.. 26 [illegible]

Forwarding the name of Mr J. L. D'Silva for publication in the Gazette as a duly elected member of the Municipal Council

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Ref on Cur 2324/Rev
Submitted to the Collector. Mr Manuel has paid the arrears of tax due by him on the 17th Instant and after issue of a notice to his present employer on the 14th Instant from this office. There is no doubt that his name was not in the list, prepared under the rules, of candidates eligible for election, he having ceased to pay income tax since August last and I do not think that his subsequent payment of tax entitles him for election on the date already notified.

Cochin
29-12-95
M. Srinivasa
Dy Collector.

Ref on Cur 450/ML of 95

Malabar Collector's Office,
Camp Manantoddy 11th January 1896

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 157 M

From
A. F. Pinhey, Esqre. I.C.S.,
Ag. Sub-Collector in charge,
Malabar Dist.

To
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department,
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith for the orders of Government the report of the Chairman delegate of the Cochin Municipality (together with its enclosures) regarding the Election held at that place on the 21st December.

2. I do not propose to recapitulate the facts set forth in the report but it will be seen that the nomination of one of the candidates was invalidated and a petition has been put in by two of his supporters and as the case appears to me to be a hard one I subjoin the following remarks:—

3. In the first place I am precluded from enquiring into the petition under Sec. 36 of the Election rules because the objection does not fall under one of the heads mentioned in rule 36. Moreover the petition itself does

does not comply with rule 35.

4. The petition more properly falls under rule 20 but as the Election is over it is too late for my interference. That the petition is too late however is not the fault of the petitioner; the validity of Mr. Ben Manuel's nomination was not questioned till the 16th December (the date of Election being 21st) and two telegrams were despatched to me in the interim to postpone the Election. I was and still am unaware that I had power to postpone an Election and even had I the power could hardly have done so on an exparte telegram at such short notice.

5. The facts are these. On 6th instant Mr. Ben Manuel had been nominated and the nomination being valid under the register then in force his nomination was posted under rule 19 by the Chairman; no objection was taken next day as contemplated by rule 20. On the 15th the new register came into force and Mr. Ben Manuel's name no longer appearing the nomination became invalid, a fact which was brought to the Chairman's notice on 16th and was communicated by him

to

to the parties interested. The validity of the nomination was not however (apparently questioned in the proper way laid down i rule 20 and there was no sufficient time left between 16th and 21st December for an appeal to the Collector under that rule.

6. Into the merits of the case it is im-possible to go without an enquiry but it certainly looks as if Mr. Ben Manuel had an enemy very much on the alert some-where in the Municipal Office, when it is borne in mind that though he paid income-tax monthly on his salary as a clerk in Messrs. Aspinwall and Co. till Augus 1895, his name was removed from the registe prepared in October and when it is furthe remembered that on the 16th December the day after the new register came into forc the fact of his name not being on it was at once brought to the notice of th Chairman without the formalities laid down in rule 20 being gone through.

7. It is further observed and the truth could only be ascertained after enquiry that there is apparently a dispute of fa

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on one important point viz whether the new register that came into force on 15th December was or was not posted outside the Municipal Office at the time the nomination was made as it should have been. The nominators aver that they scrutinized the list posted up and found Mr. Ben Manuel's name upon it, and from the fact that the Chairman published the nomination on the 6th December under rule 19 it may be assumed that either the old register was still posted or the Chairman omitted to consult the posted list altogether.

8. The case appears to me a hard one as I have not recommended the publication of the name of the Elected Candidate in the ordinary way.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt. servant,

A W Pinhey

Ag. Sub Collector in Charge

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1896
CURRENT No. 159 M

From,

The Collector of
Malabar

To,

The Chief Secretary to Govt.
L & Mul Depts
Madras

Dated 11 Jany 96
Despd 14-1-96.
Recd 16 JAN. 1896
CHIEF SECRETARY GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Reference No. 450/M 95.

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Encl. 3 & petition, with its enclosure.

Subject.

Forwarding for orders the report of the Chairman delegate of the Cochin municipality regarding the election held there on the 21st December 1895.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

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FOR ORDERS.

The facts of the case are fully an clearly stated in the Chairman's report The points for decision are:-

i. Whether the Chairman's action i invalidating the nomination of Mr.Ben Manual, was legal and

ii. Whether, if it was not legal,th validity of the election can be questioned on that ground.

The Chairman can himself decide on the validity or otherwise of a nomination previous to the publication of the list of nominations under No.19 of the Election Rules, or do so on the objection of a registered voter on the day next after such publication under Rule 20. The validity of Mr.Manual's nomination was not impugned in either of these ways but five days previous to the date of election the Chairman acting ostensibly under Rule 20 removed his name from the schedule of valid nominations. The Chairman's action was not at all authorized by rule 20 and was consequently ultra vires. Moreover,on the merits, the Chairman seems to have acted on the supposition that the mere omission of a man's name from the list of persons qualified for election is a con-

No: it was rather under Rule 21. He in effect gave ~~him~~ notice that Mr Manuel's name cd. not be on the list of valid nominations published under Rule 21.

S.P.L.

onclusive proof of his disqualification which it is not. Vide G.O.No.644 M.dated 15" June 1888. Even if this were so the Chairman had no authority to interfere and the only remedy was for registered voters to question the validity of his election, should Mr.Manual happen to be successful. As however the Chairman states that he acted under rule 20, it is for consideration whether the Collector may not be instructed to regard the petition now forwarded by him as one under the same rule and to cancel the Chairman's order declaring Mr.Manual's nomination invalid. ~~It is submitted that this can be done.~~

~~[illegible]~~ These reasons having been held insuff[icient?]

11. The validity of ~~the~~ election cannot be questioned except on one or other of the grounds specified in No.36 of the Election Rules. No such grounds have been alleged in this case, and it has been held that an irregularity in the conduct of the election is not a sufficient reason for cancelling it, ~~As however Mr. Manual was prevented from standing for election only by the illegal act of the Chairman, it is for consideration whether whether the election may not be set as aside on this ground~~ & the election must be held to be valid.

V.R.
14/2/96

W.H.S.
17-II-96

We cannot inquire into the reasons why ~~a man's~~ an elector's name was originally omitted from the list if he has failed within the period prescribed

Rule 21 appears to throw on the Chairman the duty of preparing the list of valid nominations.

S.K.

If this is done, the election ~~will also have to be~~ might be considered invalid, as it was held before the answer to the appeal under sec. 20. was given, but it was held in G.O. No 1452 M of 11.10.94 that an election could not be cancelled because the chairman had erroneously excluded the name of a candidate from the list of nominations, & the rule was proposed to be amended, so as to necessitate postponement of an election until after orders had been passed on petitions under sec 20.

by law to appeal against the omission. This is the only manner in which the omission can be called in question.

In omitting Mr. Manuel's name from the list of valid nominations the Chairman was acting under Rule 21. He does not appear to be bound to omit only names objected to under rule 20. If he found a nominee was disqualified e.g. under Rule 6 he would be bound, I think, to omit him, for Rule 6 lays down that certain persons in certain events "are disqualified" & if this were so in any case the Chairman would be bound to take notice of the fact in making up his list under Rule 21, whether voters objected or not under Rule 20. The voters are frequently ignorant.

The subsequent election cannot be now questioned

W.H.
4/3/96

S.K. 28/2/96

414 M. dated 13-3-96

Order.

~~With~~ The Govt. cannot interfere into the question of whether ~~the omission of~~ Mr. Mannel's name was properly or improperly struck as alleged from the list of persons qualified for election, which came into force on Dec. 15th 1895 ~~was legal or not~~. It was clearly Mr. Mannel's duty to ascertain the omission & appeal against it within the prescribed time if he thought fit, but this was not done. In omitting Mr. Mannel's name from the list of valid nominations the Chairman was only acting under the provisions of Rule 21 of the Election rules: this being so, the subsequent election cannot now be questioned, & the usual notification of Mr. D. Silva's election will be published in the Fort St. George Gazette.

(proper orders)

WWS
9.3.96

11.3.6

~~Note~~ Note. The Collr. himself says in para. 7 that it is doubtful whether the new lists were properly published in accordance with rules 8 & 14, in which case Mannel had no chance of discovering the omission, specially considering the facts set out in para. 6 of the Collr.'s letter

WWS
9.3.96.

Govt. has nothing to do with the lists or the ~~[illegible]~~ correct entry of persons on the lists. Voters & Electors must look after themselves. If there is e.g. a fraud & if they have any remedy it is probably in the civil Ct.

Election of Councillors

Cochin Municipality

FOR ORDERS

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P.R.O.

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The Collr. of Malabar.
& Chairman M.C., Cochin

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