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[L. & M.]
300-16-2-98.

Department of the Police Inspector of Surangam
Municipal Council LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. *dated* 189 ,
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Current No. 760.9m of 189 8, dated 10th February 98, from the Inspector General,
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ORDER.

No. 672 Muis 230/3/98

The appointment of the
Inspector as a municipal council
of Surangam was made after
deliberation and enquiry and
the recommendation of two collectors.
His Excellency the Governor in Council
does not therefore consider it
expedient or desirable to interfere
with the ^{present} appointment, which must stand.

2. It is observed that the
-intendent of Police, was consulted
in this case before the Police In-
spector was appointed.

(From orders).

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The Inspector General of Police
Collector of Trichinopoly

C. No. 760. m of 1898

SUBJECT.

Appointment of the Police
of Srirangam as municipal
councillor.

H. P. G. Governor

FOR ORDERS.

This appointment was made after
much deliberation and enquiry, and
on the recommendation of two collectors.
The present movement against the
appointment, probably arises from the fact that
element in the Council, to which I
consider it would be waste and unwise
to give way. The appointment should therefore
hold good.

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16.3.98

A vacancy having
occurred on the municipal council
of Srirangam on the 9th April 1898,
the expiry of the term of office of
a nominated councillor, the Collector
of Trichinopoly (Mr Macleod) recom-
mended the appointment of Mr
C. Sambasiva Aiyar, Police Inspector
of the town, for the place, stating
that the Superintendent of Police
had no objection to the nomination.
Some of the inhabitants however
sent in a memorial strongly
protesting against the appoin-
ment of the Police Inspector, on
grounds, that in no municipality
in the Presidency had a Police
Inspector been appointed as a
councillor, that the nominee had
been Police Inspector of the town.

arly five years and was
ly to be transferred from it
e long, that it was unnecessary
ention what Police officers were
ble of doing, what amount
fluence they commanded
their division and how they
ld use that influence, and
t in a place like Srirangam,
ch was the hot bed of factions
d sectarian disputes, the ap-
itment of a Police Inspector
influence as a councillor would
all probability tend to widen
differences that already exist
in the council. They therefore
requested that the Collector might
directed to submit a fresh
mination. The Collector of
ichniopoly was accordingly
requested to report whether an-
her equally good nominee -
uld not be selected for the office.

3. In reply to this, the Collector
ated that there were four can-
dates for the office of municipal
uncillor of Srirangam, that as two
them were underaged, while the
rd was overaged, besides being

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busy with his own duties,
commended the only other
date, (his nominee), that there
only one official member
the council, excluding the Regional
Divisional officer, that the
strength of the council being
sixteen, the maximum number
of officials to be appointed by
Government was four, and
that as Srirangam was a hot
bed of faction between the
Vadagalais and the Tengalais,
he selected the Police Inspector,
a Sivavite, who was neutral
to both the parties and who
could, in his (Collector's) opinion,
infuse efficiency into the con-
stitution of the council. He
further pointed out, that he had
selected the best candidate avail-
able for the vacant office, and
requested that his nominee might
be appointed. Some of the in-
habitants again sent up a
telegram objecting to the appoint-
ment, as the salary was so high and is so
a local Police officer

Note
These are the two sections of the
Vishnava Community.

ly qualified and willing
The Collector was there-
requested to state whether
considered any one of the
mentioned by the in-
bitants in their telegram, to
a suitable nominee for the
office.

4. The Collector then stated
that, for some reason or other,
none of the persons mentioned
by the inhabitants was quali-
fied to be appointed as a
municipal councillor of Srirangam,
that he had already invited
the attention of Government
to the fact that Srirangam was
a hot bed of faction between
the Vadagalais and the Tungalais
and it was therefore inadvisable
from an administrative point
of view that there should be
any further preponderance of
the factional element on the
council, which had already
a fair representation of those
d was overaged, besides being

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should be considerably
proved by the introduction
the full complement of off-
members and that on a ca-
further consideration of the
question, he would venture
suggest that his original nominee
Mr. C. Sambasiva Aiyar, Esq.
Inspector, who was the best avail-
able candidate, might be ap-
pointed. Some memorials pur-
porting to be from the inhabitants
were also received praying that
the Collector's nomination might
be approved and His Excellency
was of opinion that "under the
circumstances it would be
safer to accept the recommendation
of the Collector and appoint
the Police Inspector," but as
numerous petitions, some in
favour of and some against
the nomination, were subse-
quently received, before the ap-
pointment was gazetted, Mr.
Vey, who succeeded Mr. Macleod
as Collector, was asked (D.O. 15-
10-97) to consider the matter.

ould confidently recom-
to the appointment of
aswā Aiyar, Police Inspector,
he had made enquiries,
that he considered that
the official element on the
council undoubtedly needed
strengthening, the choice was
good one. The nomination
of C. Sambaswā Aiyar was ac-
cordingly approved and noti-
fied in the Fort Saint George
Gazette.

5. In his letter read above,
the Inspector General of Police now
states that in his notes of the
inspection of Srirangam, he
expressed the opinion that it
was better that the Police In-
spector in charge of a town
like Srirangam should have
nothing to do with the muni-
cipal administration, that it
placed him in a difficult
position when he had to vote
on one or the other side in the
council that he felt the Inspector

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neglect of local exis-
Inspector's part and
District Magistrate as
(the Inspector General),
the sooner the Inspector
his seat on the Council
it was for all parties.
District Magistrate how-
does not agree with his
apparently thinks it an
advantage that the Inspe-
should be on the Council.
Hammick states that he
not consulted before the Ins-
was nominated or he should
have objected, that in his op-
it is only in the very rare
cases that it is advisable
any Police Inspector should
on the local Council, that
Srirangam is not one of
cases, and that as an Ins-
has very often to interfere
in matters which very grave-
cern the wellbeing of mem-
the local council, it is best in
this country, where factions
runs so high and is so
a local Police

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 on the day of his
 of the Srirangam Station
 Inspector was sent for
 council meeting to give a
 a matter on which local
 was very bitter and the
 his vote was quite essential
 settlement, and consider-
 at the Inspector may at any
 it have to take a leading
 in the event of any criminal
 cropping up, in which one or
 of the members of the Council
 concerned, and his independence
 other party on the Council may
 become a matter of great
 importance, he considers that the
 Inspector should resign his seat
 on the Council and suggests that
 in no case should an Inspector
 be nominated as a councillor
 on any municipal Council.
 without the permission of the head
 of the Department.
 6. As to the arguments adduced
 by the Inspector General in support
 of his proposal appear to have
 no force, the accompanying
 is submitted for approval.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

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In the circumstances
 stated, the Government has no ob-
 jection to the proposal of the Inspector
 General that the Police Inspector
 should resign his seat on the mu-
 nicipal council.

2. It is observed that the
 Superintendent of Police was
 consulted in this case, before the
 Police Inspector was nominated.

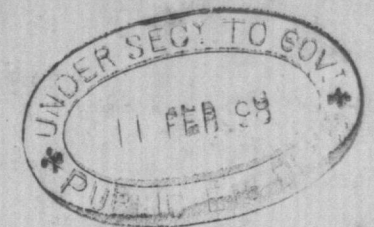
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 10/3/98

H.T.
 11.3.98

The Collector of Trichinopoly
 and the Inspector General of Police
 Judicial Department

Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 760M



From

M. Haunick Esquire. I.C.S.
Inspector General of Police,
Madras.

Order

No. 522.

Dated 10th February 1898 -

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SUBJECT.

Objecting to the appointment
of the Inspector of Police, Sivasang
-am, Trincomalee District, as
a Municipal Councillor and
considering that the Inspector
should resign his seat on
the Council —

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Trichinopoly

DISTRICT MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE.

1898.

FROM R. H. Shipley Esq.

THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,

Trichinopoly,

To

THE Inspector-General
of Police,
Madras.

Dated 30th

Despd. 1st January 1898.

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Disposal No. 25 of 98
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ENCLOSURES.

Sir,
With reference to sub
para 2, paragraph 25 of your
Notes of Inspection of this dis-
-trict, dated 11-1-98, N^o 88,
in which you have criticized
the appointment of the Sri-
-rangam Inspector as a
Councillor of that Muni-
-cipality, I have the honor
to state that I do not agree
with you in thinking it
undesirable that he should
be on the Council. It seems
to me, on the contrary, that
the nomination was in

most ways an excellent one. Of course his enemies
made capital out of it. The Telegraph Department
is also making revenue out of it. But I do not consider
that either circumstance tells against the appoint-
ment.

However, of course, if you object, the Inspector
must resign. I understood that he had obtained
permission from his superiors to be nominated.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt Servt,

M. Hammick
J. A. G. B. Magistrate.

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No. O-49.

DEPARTMENT.

No. 522.

FROM

M. HAMMICK, L.C.S., Esq., J.C.S.

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,

Madras,

TO

THE ~~Chief~~ Secretary

to Government.

Local & Municipal Dept.

Fort Saint George -

SIR,

ENCLOSURES.

I have the honor to say that when recently
inspecting in the Trichinopoly District I found
that the Srirangam Inspector of Police had
been appointed a Municipal Councillor.
I expressed my opinion in my note in the
following terms -

"I was sorry to find that he had been
made a Municipal Councillor. In my
opinion it was better that the Police
Inspector in charge of a town like Srirangam
should have nothing to do with the
Municipal administration. It places
him in a difficult position when he has
to vote on one or the other side in the
Council. The immediate result of his
being a member of the Council is that

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I receive telegrams presumably from his opponents in the Council, alleging great neglect of local crime on the Inspector's part. If the District Magistrate agrees, I think the sooner the Inspector resigns his seat on the Council, the better for all parties."

2. The District Magistrate does not agree with me and apparently thinks it an advantage that the Inspector should be on the Council. I enclose Mr. Shipley's letter on the matter.

3. In this case I was not consulted before the Inspector was nominated or I should have objected. Personally I think it is only in the very rarest cases that it is advisable that any Police Inspector should be on the local council.

Spiraugam is certainly not one of these cases. An Inspector has very often to interfere in matters which very gravely concern the well being of members of the local Council and in this country where faction feeling runs so high and is so bitter, it is in my opinion

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in every way, best that a local Police officer should be as independent as possible. In the case of Spiraugam, I know myself that the morning I was inspecting the station the Inspector who sent for ^{to} the Council meeting to give a vote on a matter on which local feeling was very bitter and on which the Council was so evenly divided that the Inspector's vote was all important. Considering that the Inspector may, at any moment, have to take a leading part in the event of any criminal case cropping up in which one or more of the members of the Commission may be concerned, his independence of either party on the Council may become a matter of great importance. For these reasons I consider that this Inspector should resign his seat on the Council and I would suggest that in no case should an Inspector be nominated as a councillor on any municipal commission

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without the permission of the head of
his department.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedt. Servt.

W. Samuels
Inspector of Police.

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