

Local & Munl. (189 *9*) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. *1692* *Pr*

DATED *15-11-99*

[Despatch Abstract.]

Tax

Recording with reference to Enquiry
letter from the Chairman, Munl Council,
Negapatnam stating that Messrs. Beech & Co
declined to pay the profession — levied
on them by the Municipality.

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Local & Munl. (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 28129

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Chikwara 30/10/99
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Order.

DESPATCHED.
30 OCT. 1899

From

The Chairman,
Municipal Council,
Singapore
No. 770

Recorded with reference
to G.O. no. 1613 m. dated 31st
October 1899.

Dated 19th October 1899.
Received } 1st Nov 99
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SUBJECT.

Informing that Messrs. Butcher
made a demand for payment of Professor's fee
even after the latter had been revised by the Council
in accordance with the 18th Nov. 99 and requesting instructions to enforce
the payment of the fee being enforced.

Note - G.O. no. 1613 m. 31-10-99 in which
the Govt. refused to interfere on behalf
of Messrs. Butcher. The latter was despatched
to the Chairman only on the 3rd Nov.
1899.

To the Chairman, the Singapore
through the office of the
Secy. 17/11/99

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Madras: 11 October 99

Best & Co.
When replying please quote
Reference No. G.O. B. 1613

The Chairman,
Municipal Council,
Negapatam.

Sir,

We are in receipt of your No. 700 dated the 7th inst.
and with reference to the payment by us of profession
Tax.

The admission contained in our petition to Govern-
ment dated 8th October 1898 related to the period of the
assessment we were then appealing to Government against
and not the period of the present assessment. The admission
then made was not in accordance with the facts as the
letter was drafted by an Assistant who had just return-
ed from Europe and who was not fully conversant
with the facts.

The coal delivered by us to the South Indian Railway
Co. in our capacity of Agents for the Madras Presidency
of the Burralkur coal Co. was landed on our behalf
during 1897-98 by our contractors Messrs Srinivasan & Co.
and Messrs Ganapati Pillai & Co. During 1898-99 and
the whole of this year the coal has been landed for us
by Messrs Adamson Metagard & Co. and as we have re-
peatedly informed you we carry on no business of any
kind whatsoever in Negapatam.

On the 1st January 1899 our business in bulk oil was
formally made over to the "Shell" Transport and Trading Co.
Ltd. and they are the sole proprietors of the oil, tanks, drums
etc. within your Municipality.

We have no property at Negapatam and carry on
no business there and we therefore decline to pay any
tax or take any notice of your demands.

We have forwarded a copy of this letter to Government.

1613h
31-10-99

The

We have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

1841 Dec 16

(True Copy)

P. D. Esq.

Chairman

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OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Negapatam 19th October 1897.

From M. A. A. P. Ratnasabhapathi Pillai Avasgal

Chairman, Municipal Council,

Negapatam.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

Madras,

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.

Local and Municipal Department,

CURRENT NO. 2842/M

Through the Head Assistant Collector and the Collector of Tanjore.

Sir,

In continuation of this office letter

in p. 1613h V. No 658/30.9.99 I have the honor to enclose copy
31-10-99
in the linked file of the letter No G.L.B. 1/355 dated 11th October 1899

received from Messrs Best and Co and to inform

you that the Council revised the assessments in

K. accordance with G.O. No 164 No. 110. dated 8th
in the linked file February 1899 and the opinion of the Honourable

the Advocate General and the same were commu-

nicated to Messrs Best and Co on 25th April

1899. Messrs Best and Co instead of preferring

an appeal to the Council under Section 99 of

the District Municipalities Act after depositing

the tax, have been keeping protesting against

the

the assessments and have finally declined
to pay. They say in their letter quoted above
that they have referred the matter to Government
and that the Council will hear from it.

In consideration of their position
I have refrained from enforcing payment by the
coercive process of the Act, and as their taxes
have been long due I request that Government
will be pleased to pass early orders on the matter
and instruct me if I am at liberty to enforce
payment.

I have the honor to be

Mr

Yours most obedient servant

P. D. [Signature]

Chairman

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