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[Despatch Abstract.]

IMPERIAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Communicating to the non-official Additional Members of the local Legislative Council, letter from the Government of India stating that an absolute majority of members entitled to vote is essential and requesting them to meet again at 11-30 A.M. on the 8th April next, for selecting a successor to the Honourable V. Bhashyam Aiyangar.

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Current No. 220

DEPARTMENT.

From

J. M. Macpherson Esq

No.

Dated 15.3.95

Received 26/3

Recd 21/3

Enclosures 1

SUBJECT.

Re. the nomination of an
addl member of council
to take the place of the
Hon. V. Baskyam Aiyangar
in the Imperial Leg. Council.

Despatched 15/3

The following telegram
will be despatched to
Calcutta.
Legislative.
135x My letter Number
12 regarding election of
additional Member of
Viceregal Council & please
will reply as soon as
possible.

Read *only*
2 heads only

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Current No. 69

Legislative DEPARTMENT.

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From the *Legislative*

Legislative Dept.

No.

Dated 17

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SUBJECT.

Continuing the transmission of
reporting election of additional members
in the necessity of fresh election

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in the necessity of fresh election

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No. 623

CURRENT NO

FROM

J. M. Macpherson, Esquire,

*Offg. Secretary to the Government of India,
Legislative Department*

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
Madras.

Dated Calcutta, the 15th March, 1895.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, Legislative Department, No. 12, dated 20th February, 1895, in which, after stating that at a meeting of six of the twelve non-official Additional Members of the Legislative Council of the Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George five voted in favour of recommending Mr. R. R. P. Anantha Charlu, Rai Bahadur, for nomination by H. E. the Governor General as an Additional Member of the Governor General's Council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Honble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, B. A., B. L., Rai Bahadur, orders are solicited as to whether, having regard to Rule V (a) of the rules for the nomination of Additional Members in the said Council, Mr. R. R. P. Anantha Charlu can be

held to have been duly recommended. Enquiry is at the same time made as to whether the votes of the non-official additional members of the local Council who did not attend the meeting referred to, can now be obtained by letter if the recommendation of the majority of those who did attend, in favour of M. R. R. P. Anantha Charlu, cannot be accepted.

2. In reply I am desired to state that the Governor General in Council is of opinion that in the case of such recommendations an absolute majority of the members entitled to vote is essential, and that it would not be proper now to obtain by letter the votes of the Members who did not attend the meeting at which M. R. R. P. Anantha Charlu purported to be elected. I am accordingly to request that the Governor in Council will take the necessary steps to cause a fresh election to be made by the non-official Members of the local Council.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,

J. M. Macpherson
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Demi-official from S. Harvey, James, to the Honble H. J. S. Cotton, C. S. I., dated 7th August, 1893.

I regret the delay in this reply to your demi-official of the 5th instant, but, as you pointed out, the question raised was important, and it had to be submitted to the Governor General in Council.

The Government of India think that the procedure proposed in the penultimate paragraph of the note of the 3rd instant, signed "H. C." will not by itself solve the difficulty, and that if several candidates are in the field, and there is a divergence of opinion amongst the non-official Members, a meeting of those Members may be necessary in order to avoid hopeless confusion.

It seems, however, to the Government of India that it might not be necessary to call a meeting of the non-official Members for the purpose of the making of their recommendation until after some such procedure as that proposed in the penultimate paragraph of the note to which

which I have already referred has
first been tried. If sufficient notice
were given, it would probably be
found that the non-official Members
had contrived to arrive in some informal manner
at an understanding and that the recommen-
dation received from individual
Members in writing disclosed an
absolute majority in favour of one
of the candidates. Should this be
the case, the recommendation of the Candidate in question might be ac-
cepted without further proceedings, but should the votes
given in this manner not disclose
an absolute majority in favour of
one of the candidates, the non-official
Members might be called together
for the purpose of deliberating and
voting. They might be invited by the
Assistant Secretary, on the part of
His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor,
to assemble at a given date in the
Council Chamber for this purpose.
The Assistant Secretary would attend
and take votes, and report the
result of the voting to His Honour
the Lieutenant-Governor.

It would be a question for
His Honour's consideration whether
Members who could show good
reason

reason for their inability to attend
should be allowed to vote by letter.

(True Copy)

A. H. Wilson
Registrar,
Legislative Department India.

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No 220.



CALCUTTA

The 15th March 1895.

Dear Sir,

CHIEF SECRETARY
20. MAR. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

In continuation of the official letter which I have today addressed to you, on the subject of the nomination of an Additional member of Council to take the place of the Honible U. Bhashyam Aigangar, B.A., B.L., Rai Bahadur, who was appointed to the Imperial Legislative Council on the recommendation of the non-official Additional members of the Council of the Governor.

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Governor of the Presidency of
Fort St. George, I am desired
to send you the accompany-
ing copy of a demi-official
letter from Mr. S. Harvey James
to the Honible Mr. H. J. S. Cotton,
C.S.I., dated the 7th August,
1893, regarding the procedure
to be followed in obtaining
a recommendation from
the non-official Additional
Members of a local Council.
yours truly,

J. M. Macpherson

To the Honible Mr. J. F. Price,
R. C. S. C. S. I.

Current No. 70

Legislature DEPARTMENT.

From

The Govt of India,
Legislature Dept

No. 623

Dated 15th March 1895

Received 19th — a —
Regd 19th — a —
Enclosures — a —

SUBJECT.

Regarding election of an
additional member to the
Vice-regal Council and the
necessity of fresh election

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Read again G.O. 20/4/95
No. 1112 Leg. (P)
Read C. Nos 69 (Q) &
70 (A).

Office
Register
D.O.
in

Order 22nd March 1895, No. 21.
P.S.

Come? to the non-official
Additional members
of the Council with the
request that they will, if
convenient, meet again
for the purpose of selecting
a successor to the Hon.
V. Khasiyam Aiyangar,
Rai Bahadur, at 11.30
am. on Monday the 8th
April at the Council
Chamber. H.E. the Governor
will, however, be prepared
to accept votes recorded
in writing by Hon. Members
who ^{show satisfactory that they have been} unavoidably
prevented from attending
the meeting.

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Letter to the non-official
Addl. members of the
Leg. Council.

Note It appears ^{from} ~~there~~ to be
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out H.E.'s instructions &
G.O. J. letter was read
Leg. Council.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
 GUINDY.

22. March 95

My dear Butterworth

His Excellency
 wishes to let all the non-official
 members of the Council know
 that they will be permitted,
 on good cause being shown,
 to record their votes at the next
 special meeting by letter - This
 privilege has already been
 accorded to the Rev. Dr. Miles
 at the last Council meeting
 and His Excellency announced
 his intention of allowing votes

to be so recorded on this special
occasion - but I am to say
that this announcement was
not sufficient and further
notice should now be given
in writing to each non-official
member.

Please take the
necessary action as soon as
possible - it is for instance
very necessary to let the members
of Virginia know in time.
Yours sincerely
R. C. C. L. A. N.