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[Despatch Abstract.]

Muhammadan additional member of Council

Informing the Central Muhamdn. Assocn. Madras that the proceedings of its meeting in connection with the appt. of Hon'ble Ghulam Muhammad as addl. member of the Legve Council have been laid before H.E. the Govr.

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CURRENT No.

From Mohiuddin Ahmed Sahib Bahadur
Chairman of the meeting of the
Central Muhammadan Association
Madras

No.

Dated 24 Jan 1898

Received 24 "

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H.E. the Governor.

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The proceedings have been laid before H.E. the Governor.

N.T.
25-1-98

~~To the~~
Mohiud-din Ahmad Sahib Bahadur,
Chairman of the meeting.

25/1/98

I should like to have some information about this Association, & the number of its Members & funds &c.

Further papers in the Legis. cover attached
25/1/98

E. D.O. to Col. Pr. Secy. No. 26.1.98

N.T.
28-1-98

No. 56 dt 28.1.98.

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SUBJECT.

~~Forwarding a copy of the Proceedings of the meeting for transmission to H. E. the Governor~~

Forwarding for transmission to H.E. the Gov. a copy of the ~~Proceedings~~ of the meeting held on the 20 January 1898 to protest against the appointment of the Hon'ble Ghulam Muhammad Sahib Bahadur as additional member of the Legislative Council

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The Proceedings of the meeting of the Central Mahomedan Association, Madra held on Thursday the 20- January '98 to protest against the appointment of Mr. Gulam Mahomed Sahib to the Local Legislative Counci

The following gentlemen were present: Nawab Syed Mahmed Sahib Bahadur; Haji Abdul Azeez Padsha Sahib Bahadur, (Turkish Consul); Sowcar, Haji Cawder Muhiddeen Sahib Bahadur; Muhiddeen Ahmed Sahib Bahadur; Khasim Hawoddeen Sait; Syed Nizamuddeen Sahib B. A. B. L.; Dr. Zainulaubideen Sahib Bahadur B. A.; Abdul Ghani Sahib, B. A.; Mowlavee Syed Fukhroddeen Sahib; Dr. Abdussubhan Khan Sahib; Syed Khadir Hussain Sahib; Meer Sujjad Ali Sahib Bahadur; Meer Husan Ali Sahib Bahadur; Mowlavee Zeauddeen Sahib Bahadur; Syed Shah Peeran Sahib Bahadur; Malik Mahomed Jalee Hussain Sahib; Mowlavee Mahomed Nuruddeen Sahib; Malik Mohamed Ali Khan Sahib and 30 others.

Owing to the absence of Muhamad Mahmood Khan Bahadur, from indisposition, Muhiddeen Ahmed Sahib Bahadur, Secretary

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to the chair. The Chairman said.

Gentlemen:— You already know from the Association's circular the purpose for which we have met here tonight. Resolutions which will be shortly moved will show you the feelings of the communi regarding the nomination of the new member of the Legislative Council. It passes all comprehension how this selection could have ever been thought of by Government. The community has a real grievance in this respect, and it is earnestly hoped that the righteous indignation and the strong agitation manifested by the community will have the desired effect.

Mr. Nizamooddeen B.A.B.L. in proposing the first proposition, "That this Association has received with surprise and regret the announcement of the nomination of one Ghulam Mahammud Saheb, a practically unknown man in the community, in the Local Legislative Council, and records its respectful but emphatic protest against his nomination in preference to a host of far superior and competent men", said that he was not speaking from any personal motive against the present man, who was nominated to represent the Mahomedan community in the Local Legislative Council. All that he knew was that the present gentleman was not known to 99 persons out of a 100 of the Mahomedan community.

This proposition was seconded by Moulavee Syed Fukhrooddeen Saheb, who paid a warm tribute to the retiring member, Mr Mahomed Shareef Khan Bahadur, for his good services.

and emphatically protested against the present nomination.

Dr. Zainool Abudeen Sahib Bahadur B. A., proposed the second proposition, which ran as follows:— "That this Association records its utter want of Confidence in the newly nominated member, and considers that, in its opinion, he does not possess the necessary qualifications to represent the Mahomedan community, and cannot therefore, be recognized as its representative in any sense, which was seconded by Sowcar Haji Khader Mohideen Sahib Bahadur.

The third proposition was proposed by Sowcar Abdul Kadir Sahib, and ran as follows:— "That as the Muhammadan community is now practically unrepresented in the Local Legislative Council, the Association respectfully trusts that H. E. the Governor will be pleased to meet this serious omission by nominating another qualified and competent member either in lieu of or in addition to the present nominee, who is considered incompetent to fill this important position and in whom the Community has no confidence." This was seconded by Meer Hussain Ali Sahib Bahadur.

The fourth proposition was proposed by Mr. Sujat Ali Sahib Bahadur and read as under: "That a copy of to-nights proceedings be at once forwarded to the Hon'ble the Chief Secretary for favour of immediate submission to H. E. the Governor, who was presumably unaware of these facts when sanctioning Ghulam Muhammad Sahib's nomination, and in whose justice, fair-mindedness and regard for Muhammadan public opinion the Community has great confidence". He said that no doubt that Mahommed Shareef Khan Bahadur, the late member, had done good service to the community, and that the present nominee was not the fit man to succeed him. He knew that Gulam Mahomed Sahib was recently employed

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in [illegible] Naga pe [illegible] Na[illegible]swamy Mirdal as a petty clerk loading & unloading goods. This was seconded by Malik Jaffer Hussain Saheb, in a neat little speech, spoken in condemnation of the appointment of the present member of the Legislative Council.

All the propositions were unanimously carried.

The Chairman in conclusion said that this meeting was not characterised by any personal motive, but to place before Government the actual feelings of the community regarding the present unhappy nomination.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the proceedings.

(Signed) Mohieddeen Ahmed Saheb

(True Copy)

Mohieddeen Ahmed Saheb

Chairman

Association, Wallajah
Madras.
24 January 1898

CHIEF SECRETARY
24 JAN. 1898
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

DOCUMENT No. 32

Mohieddeen Ahmed Saheb Bahadur
Chairman of the meeting of the
Central Mohamedan Association
Madras

To,

The Honourable A. T. Arundel I.C.S
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir

In compliance with resolution IV, passed at the meeting of the Central Mohamedan Association, Madras, held on the 20th instant, I have the honor to forward a Copy of the proceedings of the meeting for favor of Early submission to His Excellency the Governor.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant.

Mohieddeen Ahmed Saheb
Chairman

Legislative (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 46

From Certain Inhabitants of Vellore

H.E. the Governor.

Order

Seen by H.E. alongwith Cur. 32

Submitted for perusal with reference to the petition of opposition from the Central Muhammadan association in the linked file

GRV
8/2/98

No.

Dated 26th } January 1898
Received } 27th }
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SUBJECT.

Expressing their great satisfaction at the appointment of Mr. Ghulam Muhammad Sahib Bahadur, as a member of the Legislative Council

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CHIEF SECRETARY
27 JAN. 1898
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

To.

His Excellency the Governor in Council
Fort Saint George.

CHIEF SECRETARY
JAN. 1898
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

May it please your Excellency,

We the undersigned inhabitants of Vellore being to approach your Excellency that a perusal of the notificatio in the Fort Saint George Gazette of last week's issue has given very great satisfaction. We learn with pleasure that Mr. Ghulam Muhammad Sahib Bahadur has been appointed by your Excellency as the Muhammadan Member in the Legislative Council in succession to Mr. Muhammad Sherif Khan Br. In selecting Mr. Ghulam Muhammad Sahib Bahadur to the vacant seat, your Excellency has no doubt satisfied the wishes of the Muhammadan public. The nominee as your Excellency is awa is a descendant of Wallajah Muhamma Ali. We still remember with veneratio the memory of Wallajah, and we respectfully beg to submit that ~~yo~~ your Excellency has not ignored the

the claims of a [illegible] family of
who is still more known in
than in the Metropolis.

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claims of this family by ap
to the Legislative Council
Ali Khan Bahadur the [illegible]
present member, and by the
nomination your Excellency
a further recognition. We beg
to conclude that your Excellenc
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in administrative reasons,
general satisfaction of the loc
Muhammadan community.

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Your Excellency's Obedient

Mohamed Raza Hussain

Mir Zynulabudeen

[illegible] Mir Abbas Husain

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Mir Abbass Hoosain

علی خان صاحب

Ali Nawaz Khan

میر اکبر حسین

Mir Mohamed Raza

محمد اسحاق

Mir Bauker Husain

محمد حسین عرف غلام [illegible] صاحب

[illegible] Hoosain Saib

محی الدین حیدر

Muhiuddin Hossain

محمد [illegible]

محمد شفیع

سید شریف صاحب

[illegible] Mir Muke[illegible] Ali

میر گوہر علی صاحب

محمد زمان حیدر

میر یوسف علی

غفور حسین

عباس علی

Mir Thaki Husain

محمد [illegible]

میر محسن علی عفا الله

میر مظفر حسین [illegible]

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میر کاظم علی

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مرزا واصل بیگ

Meer Moheb Husain

میر خواجہ حسین

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Papers relating to G.S. 18 Legue

23.3.98

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23/3/98

Original

Paymaster Carnatic Stipends
Office, Chepauk 3rd February 1898.

D.O. No 3 of 1898.

My dear Tremenheere,

With reference to your D.O, without date, received on 31st January 1898, requesting me to give some information about the Central Muhammadan Association - Madras - I beg to state that the Association was originally established in 1886 and revived in 1893 under the patronage of some philanthrophic and influential Muhammadans of Madras with an object of promoting the interests of the Community and bringing forth to the notice of the authorities their grievances.

2. The President of the Association is Muhammad Mahmúd Khán Bahádur the Persian Consul, and its Vice Presidents are:- (i) Hájí Abd-ul-azíz Bádsha Sáhib the Turkish Consul, (ii) Ahmad Muhi-ud-din Khán Bahádur, (iii) Ghulám Mahmud Khán Sáhib the Manager of the Surgeon-General's Office, (iv) Nawab Saiyad Muhammad Sáhib Bahádur the Ex-Sheriff of Madras, (v) Muhi-ud-din Ahmad Sáhib, (vi) Muhammad Yásin Sáhib B.A. and (vii) Muhammad Nizam-ud-din Khán Bahádur. The Association has too many members, the Chief of whom are:- (1) Saiyad Nizam-ud-din Sáhib B.A., B.L., (2) Haidar Sheriff Sáhib B.A., B.L., (3) Muhammad Auzam Sáhib B.A. (4) Muhammad Anwar-ud-

din

-din Sáhib, (5) Auzam Husain Sáhib Secretary to the Prince of Arcot, (6) Hájí Abd-ul-hádí Bádsha Sáhib, (7) Hájí Qádir Muhí-ud-dín Sáhib, (8) Hájí Abd-ul-quddus Bádsha Sáhib, (9) Lálji Wálji Set Sáhib, (10) Saiyad Fakhr-ud-dín Sáhib, (11) Khája Khán Sáhib B.A., (12) Muhammad Abdulla Sáhib, (13) Abd-us-subhán Khán Sáhib and (14) Malik Jáfir Husain Sáhib.

3. The Association in 1895, started a monthly journal called "The Muhammadan Advocate" under the proprietorship of the last named Malik Jáfir Husain Sáhib, a man of no means or status. It is printed now at the Association situated at Walajah Road, Triplicane and circulated both in Madras and at Moofussil. The paper as well as the Association is specially supported and patronized by (i) Muhammad Mahmúd Khán Bahadur (ii) Nawáb Saiyad Muhammad Sáhib Bahádur, (iii) Hájí Abd-ul-aziz Bádsha Sáhib, (iv) Ghulám Muhammad Khán Sáhib and (v) Muhammad Sharif Khán Bahádur the Ex-member of the local Legislative Council, Madras.

4. The landlord of the premises, which the Association has rented, lately brought a Civil Suit against Malik Jáfir Husain Sáhib for the recovery of the arrears of rent amounting in all to about Rs. 500/- including costs &c. and is now trying to get an ejectment order in the Courts. The financial position and the general status

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of the Association is, I am told, not good.

Yours Sincerely

To,
J. H. A. Tremenheere Esqr.
I. C. S.
&c &c &c

D.O.

Confidential

Local & Municipal Department
Fort St George
3. Feb 1898.

My dear Pryce

Your note dated today. Will you kindly let me know the number of members in the Association; your phrase "the Association has too many members" is indefinite.

When I asked you about its status, I hoped you would let me know what influence the Association carries in the Community, and how far its resolutions may be taken to voice the feelings of the Community. Kindly let me know this, as your last para seems to refer chiefly to financial matters.

I think the reply should come from your own hand, as the matter should be kept to yourself.

Yours sincerely
(signed) H. Tremenheere

Madras
12th Feby 1898
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Dear Tremenheere

Your note re Central Mahommadan Association — as far as I can find out it has about 35 members in Madras but it is not confined to this Presidency alone — the influence it carries in the Community would appear to be superficial and its resolutions represent the feelings of the Community

Yrs truly

Myles. Dyer

[L. & M. 200—23-9-97]

NOTE FOR ~~THE~~ His Excellency The
Governo

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1. Seen
2. The receipt of the Memorial should be acknowledged.

A.S.H.
22.3.98

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His Excellency desired some information about the Centra Mahommedan Association, t number of its members, its objects etc.

2. The enclosed demi-official correspondence has taken plac with Col. Pryce, from which it may be gathered

that the objects of the Association are to further the objects of the Mahommedan Community –

that it has about 35 members in Madras, mostly respectable people such as Consuls –, besides members in other parts of the Presidency & beyond it –

– that it may be taken to have a representative status –

but that financially it is not flourishing.

H.T.
14.2.98.