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No. 33. From T. J. KNOX, Esq., Acting Collector of Masulipatam; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 10th September 1857, No. 27.

Sir,

Para: 1. I have the honor to request you will favor me with instructions as to the enforcement of the Notification regarding Sulphur published in the Fort Saint George Gazette on 28th August 1857.

2. I am in doubts as to the nature of the License to be given under para: 4 of the Notification for the protection of Sulphur already in the possession of persons. Is the License to include permission to sell or simply permission to keep the Sulphur for some future day when the restriction on it may be removed? Para: 6 absolutely prohibits all sale of Sulphur, though from an expression in para: 3, I am led to conclude that the words "except as above" in para: 6, may mean as above "licensed" or "protected."

3. As I presume Government did not intend to prohibit the use of Sulphur for any purposes, but that the object of the Notification was to know where it existed in large quantities and secure it if necessary, I have ventured to allow 25 persons, *viz.*, small retail dealers who have given notice that the Sulphur among them all, is less than Rupees 7 and Annas 8 in value to use it as hitherto.

4. There are in this Town, 6 wholesale dealers who have in all 8 Candies, 14 Maunds, value about 300 Rupees, and 7 large Shopkeepers who have in all Maunds 15, value about 26 Rupees, and I should feel much obliged for instructions how these cases are to be dealt with, under the Notification, and till I receive the orders of Government, I shall forbid the use of the above mentioned Sulphur.

(Signed) T. J. KNOX,
Acting Collector.

No. 34. Order thereon, No. 388; dated 22nd September 1857.

Resolved to inform the Acting Magistrate that the first three Paras: of the Notification* regarding Sulphur relate to the future Importation of that Article, and the rest of the Notice to Sulphur already in the Market.

* *Fort St. George Gazette, 28th August* 1857.

2. The 'License' alluded to in Para: 4, is a License empowering the party to retain his Sulphur until the present restriction upon all dealings in that commodity (except when Government is concerned) shall be removed; and not by any means a License to sell. "The Transport or Sale of Sulphur (Para: 6) except on account of Government, is absolutely prohibited, "and all Sulphur sold or transported, except as above," (that is, on account of the Government) "will be confiscated."

3. But although the Sale of Sulphur is entirely prohibited, its use in Manufacture is not. If, therefore, the Petty dealers referred to in Para: 2 of Mr. Knox's letter are *bonâ fide* Manufacturers of substances wherein Sulphur is an ingredient, such use of the Article need not be prohibited. Gunpowder is only to be made for the Manufacture of Fire Works, and not for Sale.

4. Regarding the quantity* held by wholesale dealers, and others in Masulipatam, Government will refer to the Inspector General of Ordnance, who will communicate direct with the Acting Magistrate. If Colonel Balfour should acquaint Mr. Knox, that the Sulphur is not required by his Department, Mr. Knox will issue Licenses for its protection under Para: 4, of the Notification.

* 9 *Candies and* 9 *Maunds, valued at* 326 *Rs.*

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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If Col Balfour should acquaint Mr Knox that the sulphur is not required by this Dept, Mr Knox will issue licenses for its distribution under Para 4 of the Notification.

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To the Collr of Masulipatam
" Inspector Gen of Ords & Mag:
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