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Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

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Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 3rd November 1857.

No. 3. EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF CONSULTATION in the Revenue Department, under date the 26th October 1857, No. 1092.

(Vide Diary Revenue Consultation, 29th October, Nos. 27 and 28.)

No. 4. To the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, dated Fort Saint George, 30th October 1857, No. 471.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of Bombay, copy of Extract Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department,* and to request that instructions to the effect contained in para: 5 thereof may be communicated to the Commander of the Steamer "Prince Arthur."

(Signed) E. MALTBY,
Acting Chief Secretary,

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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No. 1092.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 26th October. 1857.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Malabar.

Submits with reference to Ex. Mins. of Consultation dated 18th June 1857 an address from the Beebee of Cannanore to the Honorable the Governor in Council, and reports the result of the personal interview he had with her.

(Here enter 29th Sept. 1857, No. 132.)

Para. 1. In this letter, the Acting Collector of Malabar reports, with reference to the orders of Government conveyed in Extract Minutes Consultation 18th June 1857, the result of a personal interview he has had with the Beebee of Cannanore, with the view of bringing her to a proper sense of her duty.

2. Mr. Robinson mentions the particular points to which he called the Beebee's attention, and states that, notwithstanding his best endeavours, aided by those of public officers standing and experience who accompanied him, he failed to elicit from either the Beebee or her son, the smallest acknowledgment of error, or disavowal of the propriety of what had taken place with respect to the Island of Manikoy; and that their opposition remains unwithdrawn. He encloses an address from the Beebee, which, he says, is a mere repetition of former grievances, and conveys proposals which are obviously inadmissible; he says that the Beebee improperly arrogates to herself the title of "Queen, and Sovereign of the Laccadive Group," and regards the interference of Government as an invasion of her Sovereignty; and he furthermore adds, that the Beebee is supported in her contumacious conduct by an Arab adventurer, who lives at her expense, and buoys her up with hopes of a successful appeal to Parliament.

3. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council cannot but express his regret that all Mr. Robinson's endeavors should have failed to bring the Beebee to a proper sense of her position. His Lordship in Council must decline to receive any communication from the Beebee in which she claims either Sovereign rights, or the rank and title of Queen; and he resolves in consequence to return to the Acting Collector, for delivery to the Beebee, the address which his letter enclosed.

4. The Governor in Council requests that Mr. Robinson will be so good as to call on the Arab adventurer mentioned in para. 9 of his letter for an account of himself, and will inform Government of his antecedents, his means of livelihood, his character, and the general tendency of his acts.

5. As the Steamer "Prince Arthur" is now on her way to Bombay to receive a crew, she will be directed to touch at Calicut on her return, to enable the Acting Collector of Malabar to avail himself of her services in carrying out the order of the 18th June last. The Commander will be instructed to communicate with Mr. Robinson before he leaves Bombay, regarding the probable time of his arrival at Calicut, and Mr. Robinson will be so good as to allow of no useless detention of the vessel.

Ordered that para. 5 of the above resolution be communicated, through the Marine Department, to the Commander of the Steamer "Prince Arthur."

(A true Extract.)

W. S. Lee
Acting Secretary to Government.

To The Marine Department. *No. 27*
M. Lee

Marine Department

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For George 2
30 October 1837

I have &c.
J. M.

A. M. Regier

Extract of the 11th 1837

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To
The Secretary to the Hon. Secy
Treasury

28/30/22 October 1889

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The Govt of India
Representing the views of
certain instructions
to the Commandant of the
Police Station