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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 26th April 1862.

No. 359. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th March 1862, No. 1,935:—

Read again letter from the Collector of North Arcot, dated 20th January 1862, No. 14, recommending that a certain Yaumia may be registered in the name of Usmal Saib.

(In Cons. 23rd January 1862, No. 369.)

Read also the following letter from the Acting Collector of the same District, dated Chittoor, 6th March 1862, No. 53.

I have the honor, with reference to the Proceedings of the Board, dated 30th January last, No. 693, to state that the widow of the deceased Yaumiadár having been called on to name some other member of the family who might be registered for the allowance in question in the room of Ismal Saib, has given the name of Syed Kasim her third son: as Syed Kasim is still a minor, Kadar Bi the widow proposes to appoint her brother-in-law Fakir Saib as her son's representative, till he attains his majority.

1. Madar Shah, the last holder of the Service Yaumia attached to the "Mokabira" at Chendragheri, having died on the 30th September 1859, leaving a widow and three sons, the Government sanctioned the registration of the Yaumia in the name of Imam Saib, the eldest son, in their Order in the Revenue Department, No. 1,576, dated 7th August 1861.

In Cons. 8th August 1861, No. 5,003.

2. In the first letter recorded above, the Collector reported that Imam Saib having left the village on a pilgrimage before the receipt of the Government sanction, his brother Usmal Saib (aged 12 years) passed himself off for his elder brother, and appearing before the Deputy Collector with an Arzi from the Tahsildár had the Yaumia registered in his favor, and received the arrears amounting at 37½ Rupees per annum to Rupees 75 to the end of Fasli 1270. The Tahsildár, however, subsequently discovered the deception, and reported it; but the Collector recommended under the peculiar circumstances of the case, Usmal Saib himself being the next in succession, and the money he drew having been legitimately applied, that the matter should be viewed leniently, and Usmal Saib confirmed in the office. The Board, however, considered that this individual's misconduct could not be thus condoned, and accordingly requested the Collector to select some other fitting person for the office in question. The third son Kasim Saib is therefore now proposed, but as he is at present a minor (aged 8 years) his mother requests that her late husband's brother Fakir Saib may be appointed his nephew's representative during his minority, and the Board accordingly recommend that this arrangement be sanctioned.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 360. Order thereon, 26th April 1862, No. 900.

Under the circumstances brought to notice, the Government grant sanction for the Yaumia in question being registered in the name of Kasim Saib, Fakir Saib, the uncle of this individual, to be his representative during his minority.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 693.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th January 1862.

Read the following letter from J. D. ROBINSON, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated Wallajapet, 20th January 1862, No. 14:—

1. In my Tabular report of lapsed Yeomiahs, dated 30th May 1861, I recommended in the case of service Yeomiah No. 536, that Imam Saib, the eldest son of the deceased Yeomiahdar, should succeed to the enjoyment of the allowance, and that the arrears due from the date of his father's death should be paid to him. The Government were accordingly pleased in their Order, dated 7th August 1861, No. 1,576, to sanction the registration of Imam Saib to the Yeomiah, and to authorize the payment of the arrears to him. On receipt of this order the Tahsildar of Chendragiri was directed by my Deputy Mr. Locke to send Imam Saib to my Office, in order that the arrears might be paid to him, and his descriptive roll taken.

Board's Proceedings, dated 10th August 1861, No. 4,344.

2. A person who represented himself to be Imam Saib accordingly appeared before the Deputy Collector with an Arzi from the Tahsildar. His descriptive roll was made out, and the arrears, amounting at Rupees 37-8-0 per annum to Rupees 75 up to the end of Fasli 1270, disbursed to him, the Tahsildar being at the same time directed, as is usual in such cases, to obtain periodically from the village authorities, and forward a certificate as to the performance of the service attached to the Yeomiah and the existence and identity of Imam Saib.

3. Eventually the Tahsildar reported that on issuing orders to the village authorities to forward such a certificate, he was informed that Imam Saib was not present, and had left the village on a pilgrimage before the receipt of the Government Order above referred to, and that the services had since been performed by his brother Usmal Saib. The Tahsildar further stated that the party who had appeared and received the arrears was the said Usmal Saib, who had then falsely represented himself to be Imam Saib.

4. On receiving this information, the Deputy Collector summoned all the parties concerned in view to trying Usmal Saib on a charge of fraud, and committing him to Court. A searching inquiry has been instituted, which shows that Usmal Saib did pass himself off for his absent brother. No fraud was actually committed or was indeed possible, as Usmal Saib was the next in succession, and would have been recognized as his brother's representative had he only been frank enough to avow the truth, and abide the event. The money thus drawn appears to have been legitimately applied, a portion having been spent in liquidating the debt incurred since the death of his father on account of the Mokabira. Imam Saib appears to have left the village without the knowledge of his relatives, and subsequently to the date of my Tabular report referred to at the opening of this letter; but whither he has gone is not known. Meanwhile, the services in the Mokabira, or Makan, have been duly performed by Usmal Saib since his brother Imam Saib's departure.

5. Usmal Saib certainly practised a most culpable deception; and I had doubts whether, seeing the necessity of repressing any attempt that savours of fraud in a department where many grave irregularities have occurred, it was not my duty to recommend the forfeiture of the allowance, and proceed against him criminally; but, after mature deliberation, I have come to the conclusion that there are circumstances in the case which commend it to the Board's indulgent consideration.

6. The family of the deceased Yeomiahdar Madar Shah have expressed a desire that Usmal Saib should now be recognized as their head, and that the Yeomiah should be registered in his name; and if the Board are pleased to take a lenient view of the case, I beg to request that they will recommend to Government the registration of the Yeomiah in the name of Usmal Saib.

The Yeomiah in question being for the performance of service, which appears to have been duly maintained, the Board do not think it right that the institution should suffer for the fault of an individual, but they cannot allow the deception practised by Usmal Sahib to pass unnoticed, and they consider that some other member of the family should be selected as the incumbent in the place of Imam Sahib who is not forthcoming. The Collector will please to select a fitting person other than Usmal Sahib.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To J. D. Robinson, Esq., Collector of North Arcot.

Exd. J. Wright.

No.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 30th *January* 1862.

No. 693.

Directing the selection of a Member of the family of the late Yeomiahdar Madar Shah other than Usmal Saib to succeed to the service Yeomiah No 536 in the place of Imam Saib.

No. 1,935.

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Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. Fraser, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot.

Exd. J. Wright.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 24th March 1862.
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No. 1,935.

Submitting with the Board's recommendation proposal of the Acting Collector of North Arcot to register the Yeomiah last held by Madar Shah in that District in the name of his third son Kasim Sahib.

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26th March 1862
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