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No. 33

From.

The Commissioners
Investigating the Debts of His
Highness the late Nabob of the
Carnatic,

To.

T. Pycroft. Esqre
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

dated march 1857, No. 33.

Sir,

We have the honor to report our Proceedings up to date with regard to the orders contained in Para. 4 of Extract Minu of Consultation of 24th December No. 352 of 1856. We have once visited together the apartments in the Hamai oon Mahal in which the Accounts lately secured by the Government Agent at Chepauk are deposited and have the honor to report that the measures taken for their custody seem perfect. The Government Agent has placed sentries in front and in rear of these two rooms, the doors of which are securely fastened with bolts and locks, and the venetians in front kept open to admit of the sentries inspecting the interior, the doors and the papers being opened only by the orders and in the presence of the Political Agents &c. When documents are required to be removed for the objects of the Commissioners or for other

purpose

purposes, they are brought to the Commiſsion secured in sealed Boxes with a Guard or receive the initials of the Government Agent who takes a receipt for the same which is cancelled on their return. — But their Quantity is enormous and fills two immense Halls in that building.

2 These records and accounts &c. are lodged in Almirahs, Trunks and in some cases packed in cloth; but all of any importance under the seal of the Political Agent. — The numbers of the Cases &c. are given in the Margin, for the information of Government, but as we understand that suggestions have been made by the Agent for the future safe Custody of these extensive records, it does not seem necessary for us to occupy the time of Government by further observations regarding them —.

In Almirahs, large	15
" Do. small	4
" Wooden Trunks or Boxes of sizes	121
" Leather Boxes	35
" Packages of Cloth, large & small	44
Total	219

3 In the course of our investigations since the receipt of the above Extract Minutes of Consultation, we have examined numerous documents, daily Accounts, Journals, Receipts, Abstracts, and vouchers, neceſsary to enable us to investigate claims, Authenticate services, and ascertain the Amount of arrears due to individuals, and we have found the forms in which the different departments have kept their proceedings, to admit of great facility of reference by the respective Officers, and such as to enable us to check the Entries and disbursements of each department, as well by its own accounts as by the Journals of other departments of the Sircar —

4 In the second Clause of the Para under reply, we were commanded to employ ourselves in the preparation of a list of the property, so far as it can be ascertained, of His Highneſs the late Nabob of the Carnatic, of whatever kind, real or personal without reference to the distinction of Sircar or private —. A list of the kind ordered we have the honor to append,* prepared from lists or Statements received from the Dewan of the Durbar including the name of every property believed by him to belong to the late Nabob with our remarks thereon in the Margin; but we have not been able to Authenticate the correctneſs of the items in this list, because much of the landed property had been aſsigned by His Highneſs during his life time to Servants, or other persons, for the purpose of being mortgaged or otherwise raising money on the same; and until we obtain powers to compel the attendance, and the production of all documents in poſsession of parties interested on both sides it is not poſsible for us to furnish a list in minute detail —

* Will be sent in a few days.

5 The Examination of the claims to arrears of wages and allowances, exhibited in the statements submitted by the Government Agent at Chepauk, with his letter of the 6th December last, and the verification of the Alleged services and arrears have engaged our earnest attention, and in accordance with orders, we have now to report on the several claims so far as we have resolved on —.

6 In undertaking this investigation, after a preliminary effort, made with a view of ascertaining the facilities which the Sircar accounts might afford us in conducting the same we resolved that the first portion of the arrears which we should investigate should be those

for the year 1855, on the 8th day of October of which year, the late Nabob Mahomed Ghous demised.

We were guided in coming to this Resolution by the consideration that being the most recent and forming a considerable portion of the total amount of these arrears, the individuals for whom it was claimed to be due, might have had greater expectations of receiving it, and have been depending upon its receipt for their current Expenditure, more than on those other items of arrears accumulating during the previous 13 years of His Highness the Nabob's tenure of the Musnud.—

It is reported to us, to have been the custom of His late Highness, on the dismissal of any of his servants, to pay to them the whole of the amount due at the time of such dismissal; and that, on any pressing emergency or the occurrence of a casualty amongst his servants, whether by death or resignation, He would occasionally give directions to pay to the individuals or their heirs all arrears due to the date of casualty or resignation. From this custom it may be assumed that most of the individuals for whom these arrears are claimed to be due are alive; although few of them could have held reasonable expectations of ever receiving from His Highness such long outstanding arrears as those which began to form from the very commencement of the Nabob's tenure of the Subadaree.—

These considerations have induced us to investigate, at the outset, the arrears due for the year of the Nabob's demise;— We have the honor to report that after a minute and careful examination of the Accounts of the several departments, as enumerated in the statement accompanying the Government Agent's letter of 6th Decr 1856, we find the total arrears due to the Servants &c &c. accustomed to be paid through their respective departments, including a small sum for Purchases and Contingencies, to Amount to Rupees 274,823-8-6. The details of this sum will be found arranged in Appendix No. 2 Subjoined.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council will observe that there are some small differences in the findings for a few of the departments, from those furnished in the statement submitted from the Durbar, through the Government Agent at Chepauk, in his letter of the 6th December last; but these are not of sufficient importance to require comment.—

9 We have not been able to Report upon the Balance in the Department of the Dust-i-khas in consequence of the parties who attended to give Explanations of their receipts and payments not having done so in a satisfactory manner, and we have not allowed any sum as being due to this department.—

10 With regard to the other departments however it is proper to bring to the notice of The Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that the individuals for whom these amounts are claimed to be due have not all of them been actually in the performance of duties;— Some of them are in classes and styled as Bêkars, Sāādāt, and Neeāzāāt, &c. others seem to be Pensioners, but nearly all of them can be regarded but as retainers, to whom payment was optional by the Nabob, even while he was alive, and any payments of their arrears by Government can now only be the voluntary bounty of the State.—

11 It is therefore for the consideration of Government whether the arrears to these classes of people should now be issued.— The total Amount due to them is Rupees 49,358"13"

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and for facility of reference and decision, the statement, given in Appendix 3, will shew the arrears due for the 9 Months January to September inclusive of 1855, for Servants who had actually been preforming duties, to whom therefore payment is due by law; and, 4, those individual classes to whom the term retainers may be applied; and, No 5, the amount due for purchases and contingencies.

12 We have not as yet entered upon the verification of the services of the individuals serving in or attached to the several departments except in so far as we have issued a Notice, calling upon individuals to submit their claims stating the amount of arrears and period for which they are due, the form is given in Appendix No 6. — we have already received 311 of these claims and others are gradually coming to hand, and to some extent these claims will enable us to check the Sircar Accounts, But as the salaries or wages of parties were paid very irregularly, paying for some months and omitting previous months; and frequently only paying small sums on account; it will be obvious that no illiterate person can have kept such a record as would enable him to frame the statement called for; and many even of the educated servants will not have kept their own accounts but have trusted to the Sircar records for obtaining a statement of what was their due. — To some extent, however, the statements submitted by Servants will aid in the verification of the claims; and the accounts of the different departments must be investigated in detail to ascertain the particular items due to such individuals as have not kept their own Accounts.

We have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servants
Edward Balfour
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Commissioner's Office
March 1857
No 154
Mount Road

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From the Commissioners for investigating the Debts of the late Nabob of the Carnatic. No 33

S. O. No 318.

Dated March 3. 57

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Reporting their proceedings up to this date on the several matters connected with their Commission

Pol Lr to Eng of 22d July No 11 of 1857 - Para 207.

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Copy to the Honble Compy's Solicitor 24th Apl/57 No 318

copy of Para 4 - to Mr H. Forbes 12th May/58.

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From

The Commissioners Investigating the Debts of His Highness the late Nabob of the Carnatic

To

T. Pycroft Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Dated 2nd April 1857 No. 40.

Sir

We have the honor in continuation of our letter of the 13th Ultimo No 33 para 4, to forward list therein alluded to of all the property of His Highness the late Nabob.

We have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servants

Commissioners Office
No 154 Mount Road
2nd April 1857

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Pol. Dr. to Eng of 22d July
No. 11 of 1857
Paras 2 & 7

Copy of letter and Statement
to Mr. H. Forbes – 12th May /57
Extracts from the Statement
sent to Collr. of Trichy & N. Arcot
with Cmc. 19 Oct. 1838 No. 183

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In Dt. to Com 28th April
Political 1857 Department

From the Commissioners
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Submitting a list of
the property of H. H. the
late Nawaub of the Carna-
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List of Property

No.	Names of Property	Remarks
1	The Chepauk Palace —	This property was mortgaged to Coondun Lall. The full particulars of the Mortgage we are not in possession of.
2	A ground and House adjacent to the Sea Side —	A House and its Grounds 2192 square feet of land worth about Rs. 2000. Now in the possession of the Circar, at present occupied by Servants.
3	Ameer Bagh —	In possession of the Agra Bank under an agreement between the Dewan of the Durbar on behalf of late Nabob and Mr. Geddes at a monthly rent of Rs. 175. By account furnished by Agra Bank on 31st December 1856, a sum of Rs. 13239-1-2 was due on account of this property which under the agreement, was to be paid off by the rents as same became due. These premises were assigned to Gholam Mahomed by the Nabob and Mortgaged by him to Mr. Ross now dead. The particulars are not with the Commissioners.

A Building in Arnachellum's Street in Triplicane	Measuring 9 Grounds 232 2/10 square feet. The Building is used for the Nabob's School, and is now in the possession of the Circar. The School is still kept up.
A House adjoining	Ground measuring 1 Ground 300 square feet.
Houses in Nulthumbee Street	Measuring 7 Grounds 314 1/2 square feet stated to belong to a Mosque.
Ground of the Tomb of Auzzam oon Nissa Begum, Mylapore Road	} Measuring 6 Grounds 1050 square feet.
Wallajah Mosque and Bazars. Poodoopauknum	Stated to belong to the Grand Mosque. Measuring 5 Cawnies 8 Grounds 2338 square feet and by letter of Government Agent 27th Decr. 1822 it is stated that the Villages of Ismaul Coopum and Shynapoorum were entered in the Inam Register as a Jaghire for the Endowment of the Mosque.
Ground of the tomb of Yaseen Begum. Kistnam pettah	Measuring 3 Grounds 1200 square feet.

10	Ground of the tomb of Dolary Begum, Triplicane	} Dolaree Begum's Burying G 3 Grounds 1880 square feet
11	Anwarie Mosque	Measuring 7 Grounds and 7
12	Grounds of the Seven Wells	Measuring the Cawny 16 G
13	Ameer Mahal Where is the	Sold in the life time of the
14	Well and Ground	Measuring One Ground 2340
15	Mamoor Mosque	Measuring 15 Grounds and
16	Burial Ground belonging to Dolary Begum	Measuring 21 Grounds and
17	Rowshun Bagh	This is now occupied by the Nella Azeem Jah. These premises were assigned and by him Mortgaged to Yadol the Mortgage was assigned to Com subject of an Equity Suit Com against Gholam Mahomed

8 Sgre Bagh	Measuring 25 Cawnies 4 Grounds and 2300 square feet Abdool Alli claims to be entitled to Rs 2000 with interest at 18 per Cent from 5th September 1855 on account of money lent by him on the deposit of the Collector's Certificate of these Premises.
9 Moobaruck Bagh 20 Garden called New Garden 21 Garden called Large Garden	These premises are situated at St Thomas Mount purchased 20th December 1792 by His Highness Oomdut ool Oomrah, and rent for about 40 Rs a m
22 Ooroos Bagh	Situated at the Mount, rents for 24 Rs per mont not occupied by the family of the late Nabob. Assigned by the late Nabob to Gholam Mahomed 5th May 1834 for Rs 8000 and mortgaged by Gholam Mahomed to Abdool Alli 5th September 1855 for R 3,500 with interest at 18 per Cent.
3 Izzat Bagh	At the Mount, being 15 Grounds and 713 square feet now in the possession of Mrs Chambers and stated to have been presented to her by the late Nabob some time since.
4 Garden at Streepermatore	Measuring 11 Cawnies and 900 square feet as appears by the Certificate of Collector of Chingleput 29th August 1842. rents for Rupees 77 a Year.
25 A Market in Black Town of Madras	Purchased by the late Nabob, afterwards a sig by him, then Mortgaged and subsequently and since death of the late Nabob Seized and sold in Execu by the Sheriff of Madras.
26 Mafooz Pet	Situated near the Red Hills in Chingleput. Th property appears to have been purchased on 13th January by the late Nabob for Rs 7000 from Kurreem oon Nissa Begum. Abdool Alli makes a claim for Rs 7000 w interest at 18 per Cent on the Mortgage of the property which property has also been stated to be Wakf fo support of a Mosque and Priests.
27 Moortoozah Kttah	This is a valuable property in the possession of Gho Moortuza Khan Bhadoor Moomtaz ool Mulk, is stat to have been inherited by the late Nabob on the death of h Mother who died in April 1849, that the late Nabob a the same to Gholam Mahomed for the purpose of Mor and that the same was by him mortgaged to Vazee Lal Doss with other property said to belong to her Highness Khyrue oon Nissa Begum for one lac o Rupees.

30. Moortaza Bagh a Large House at the Red Hills
31. Spro Bagh. "Brodie Castle"
32. Auzeem Bagh / Hume's Garden / Mount Road.
33. Mahmood Bagh known as General Pater's Garden
34. Market at Triplicane
35. Wallajah Bagh Poonamallee Road Occupied by the Nabob's Shady Widow
40. Jureah Bagh a House at Ennore
41. Oomdah Bagh Moorali's Garden Mount Road.
42. Mahboob Bagh, Tumbulli's across the water at the Adyar.
43. Hammed Bagh, a Small Bun=galow at the Red Hills.

The whole of this Property was at different p assigned by the late Nabob to Gholam Mahom and by him Mortgaged to Messrs George Ric and others and is now the subject of an Equi suit in the Supreme Court.–

38. A House at St. Thome occupied by a relative of the Carnatic Family

This was inherited by the late Nabob on the death of Mother, and is worth about Rs. 1000.–

What place is this?

Mahomed Bagh — At the Adyar inherited by the late Nabob from his and mortgaged with Jewels to Bauboo Row to secu repayment of Rupees 60,000 or Rs. 70,000 This Hou is now rented.

29 Moondies or Rice Godowns — Situated opposite the Shady Mahul in Tripl The rent is received by the Shady Widow of the lat Nabob. These Godowns were mortgaged to Verjee & Doss and are included in the Mortgage of the Pettah. This property was purchased 13th May by Her Highness Enayath oon Nissa Begum for 12,000

36 Moonawar Bagh — Was assigned to Gholam Mahomed, Mortgaged by to Cassee Doss 25th May 1835 for Rs. 16,000, Bill to se filed by Cassee Doss against Gholam Mahomed 3rd 1836 a decree- House sold and the Decree for 7000 and Balance Principal Interest and Rupees 12,606-10-11. declared to be due by Gho Mahomed.–

37 Begum Bagh. The Admiralty House near St. Thome Occupied by Mr. Richardson — This property was assigned by the late Nabob to Gh Mahomed and by him on 15 May 1835 for Rs. 20,000 Govind Ram Jay Gopaul Doss.–

The Gardens at Satghur — [illegible] 10th November 1811 order from Lord Clive to give this Garden to Azeem ood Dowlah, which by his letter I consider to be an honorary appendage to the Rank and Station of the Nabob of the Carnatic —

Trichinopoly Collectorate.

The following is a list of the Property at Trichinopoly now in the possession of the Servants of the Circar as furnished from the Circar Records.

Gardens — Twenty Eight

Garden — One

Village and Choultry

Mosques — Three

Bazars — Two

Piece of Ground

Villages — Eight

Palace and other buildings — One

enquiry should be made of the Coll[illegible] about these gardens & [illegible] the more information is [illegible] to know what & whom they are [illegible] we must be asked [illegible] an [illegible] point of view. The Palace should be secured

Tanjore Collectorate

Nagore near Negapatam

A Mosque — Dedicated to religious purposes. See No 8

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Appendix No. 2.

Balance as due to each department, being Extracts from the Proceedings of the Commissioners investigating the debts of His Highness the late Nabob of the Carnatic; in accordance with the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council as per Margin; the subject first taken into consideration by the Commissioners being the arrears of wages claimed to be due for the nine months from January to 30th September 1855 inclusive as per statement in Government Agents letter dated 6th Decr No. 134 of 1856.

Extracts Minutes of Consultation dated 24th Decr No. 532 of 1856. Para 4. Clause 3.

Schedule.

	Names of Department	Amount due to each department from 1st January to 30th September 1855			Remarks
A.	Mohakamah	5087	11	9.	
B&C.	Durbar Meersawmani	4415	5	3	
D.	Badshahi Buckshie	2719	5	"	
E.	Persian Department	4335	5	3	
F.	Dewanie Mahal	3761	3	"	
G.	Imarut Department	1658	3	6	
H.	Fatiah Department	243	7	6	
I&J.	Treasury	6232	13	9	
	Mahalaht				
H.H.	Khyr. oon Nissa Begum. 90933-6-0.				
	Auzeem oon Nissa Begum 11983-11-3				
H.H.	Prince Auzeem Jah 20.800-"-"				
	The late Saeed oon Nissa Begum 5.792-"-"				
	Mooktar oon " " 7.000-"-"				
	Chouseyah and Khadricah Begums 4.000-"-"				
	Ahmud oon Nissa Begum 2,000-"-"				
	he late Padshah Begum 100-"-"				
	Fatimah Begum 400-"-"				
	Umut ool Fatimah Begum 100-"-"	143,109	1	3	
	rried forward Rupees	171562	8	3	

Brought forwd. Rs.	171.562	8	3	
K. Hafizes of Tombs	6242	2	"	and a sum of Rs. 22-4-3 is due for small contingent expenses.
L. Darodies (& Servants) of Chepauk	5676	15	9	
M. Sherishtadaries Department	897	8	3	
N. Dust-i-Khas Department	"	"	"	We have been unable to complete the examination of the accounts for the purpose of ascertaining the balance in this department, in consequence of the parties who attended to give explanation of their receipts and payments not having done so in a satisfactory manner.
O. Buckshegerry	18,890	13	6	
P.Q & R. Ahsham Department	1165	14	9	
S. Mudud-i-Khurch	51.190	11	6	
T. Hoozoor Meersawmani	8444	13	6	
U. Sadarut	7484	8	"	
V. English	3277	9	"	
Total Rupees	274823	8	6	

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Commissioners

Appendix No 3

Amount due to Servants in employ

Names of Departments	Amount			Total			Remarks
A. Mahakamah							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	5087	11	9	
B & C. Durbar Meersawmani							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	4008	4	2	
D. Badshahi Buckshi							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	2719	5	"	
E. Persian Department							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	4335	5	3	
F. Dewanie Mahal							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	3761	3	"	
G. Imarut Department							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	1658	3	6	
H. Fatiah Department							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	243	7	6	
I & J. Treasury							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	842	6	"	
Mahalaht	"	"	"	143,109	1	3	
K. Hafizes of Tombs							and a sum of Rs. 22-4-3 as due for small contingent expenses.
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	6242	2		
L. Daroodies (& servants) of Chepauk							
For Salaries of Daroodies	5452	15	9				
" Salaries of Servants	224	"	"	5676	15	9	
M. Sherishtadaries							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	897	8	3	
N Dust-i-Khas	"	"	"	"	"	"	We have been unable to complete the examination of the accounts for the purpose of ascertaining the balance in this department, in consequence of the parties who attended to give explanation of their receipts and payments not having done so in a satisfactory manner.
O. Buckshegerry							
For Servants Salary	"	"	"	18,751	8	"	
P.Q.R. Ahsham Department							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	1155	14	9	
S. Mudud Kurch							
For Salaries of Ahl i Khidmut	12.204	"	"				
Moonshee & Clerks	3706	4	"				
Casualties	24	3	6				
Mahomed Hoossain	30	"	"	15,964	7	6	
T. Hoozoor Meersawmani							
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	"	4421	13	6	
Carried Over Rs.				218,875	5	2	

Brt Over Rupees			218,875 5 2
U. Saadarut			
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	1850 6 9
V. English			
For Salaries of Servants	"	"	3277 9 "
Total Rupees			224,003 4 11

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J. McLeod
Commissioner

Appendix No. 4.

Amounts due to Bekars, Nyazants, Saadat &c.

Names of Department.	Amount	Total.	Remarks.
I & J. Treasury.			meaning
1. Bekars	2853 4 "		1. Without Employ
2. Nyazants	1446 " "		2. Vows.
3. Pensions	6 7 9		
4. Slave women	88 12 "		
5. Alms	81 " "	4475 7 9	
O. Buckshegerry. Becars	" " "	139 5 6	
S. Mudud-i-Khurch			
1. Poets	1288 " "		
2. Saadits	5930 2 "		2. Descendants of Mahomed
3. Bekars	19,803 " "		
4. Women Pensioners	8,205 2 "	35,226 4 "	
T. Hoozoor Meersawmani			
1. Nyazant	450 " "		
2. Becars	3573 " "	4023 " "	
U Saadarut			
1. Nyazant	4620 13 9		
2. Lungar Khanah	968 3 6		2. Poor House.
3. Alms	45 " "	5634 1 3	
Total Rupees		49,498 2 6	

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Appendix No 5

Amount due for Purchases Contingent expenses and School.

B & C. Durbar Meersawmanee						
1. For Purchases	218	6	6			
2. " Contingencies	188	10	7	407	1	1
I & J. Treasury department						
For Mudrusa or School	"	"	"	915	"	"
Total Rupees				1322	1	1

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Appendix No. 6.

The form of Application from Servants.

To

The Commiſsioners Investigating the arrears of the Servants of the Circar of His Highneſs the late Goolam Mahamud Ghouse Khan Bahadoor Nabob of the Carnatic.

Gentlemen

I beg you will be pleased to discharge the arrears of my wages due by the Circar of the late Nabob of the Carnatic according to the following statement.

Name of Applicant and of his Father	Employ=ment	Depart=ment	Monthly Salary	Amount of Arrears	Months for which is due
Huſsain Alli Khan son of late Huſsain Alli Khan	Poet	Durbar Meersummie	50 . 1½	3030 13½	From 19th September 1850 to the 6th November 1855 total 68 Months & 18 days—

Dated 4th March 1857—

(Signed) Huſsain Alli Khan

It is quite unaccountable to me
why the Commissioners do not at
once enter upon the investigation
of these claims - they have been directed
by Govt. to do so and the direction
ought now to be repeated - Every
Retention & Tenant's case should
be at once enquired into and reported
to Govt. and no time should be
lost in paying off debts of the
description alluded to in these
documents as soon as the Com-
missioners bring their investigation
of them to a close & submit their
report on each case to Govt. -

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[illegible] 2, 4 & 5 to
the Deputy General [illegible]
May 1857 No. 391

I think the Comm^rs may [illegible] proceed to investigate and dispose of all claims [illegible] requiring from all applicants an agreement to abide by the decision of the Comm^rs if this be considered necessary but as the claims are against the [illegible] who is not subject to the jurisdiction of any Courts, it is difficult to see what such applicants could do if they did object to the award.

The only objection I see is that applying to the Durbar [illegible] interest in some of the claims of an individual nature [illegible] and it is not usual in any part of the world to make persons so situated the arbitrators either wholly or in part of their own claims.

This proper [illegible] of an applicant in some instances [illegible] witness in all. [illegible]

I cannot recommend any thing to prevent the Commissioners commencing investigation into the arrears due to servants of establishments & I doubt the advisability of taking any agreements from the recipients. This would rather imply a suspicion of the want of power in the Commissioners to act. Such made on [illegible] in arrears would of course require complete receipt in full of all demands & those who don't give such a document will not get their arrears. I would therefore direct the Commissioners to commence their work without delay. The arrears to the [illegible] Johnnie are not very large nor is there much due

[illegible] 24 & 25 [illegible] Mar 1857 No [illegible]

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to his retentions ^according to the list^ if it
were not for the sake
his son & relatives took
in moving of causes for
the Nabob I should not
have thought this so
momentous obstacle
to his position on the
Commission — The interest
however of his son
& relatives in the "title"
of the list is indeed a
matter of consideration
whether he should continue
a member of it — The
views of the Mr. [illegible]
the President should be
ascertained on this point
12/12/56 W. [illegible]

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Political Department.—

Remark by the Right Honorable the Governor.—

In the list of property I have marked some which it appears to me it would be desirable for Govt. to secure the list should be shown to the Commissioner of Police and to the Collector of Madras in order to give their opinion — it might be desirable for the Assessment Commissioners to get possession of all the burial grounds and wells except the 7 wells which Govt. should secure.—

(Signed) Harris.—

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
dated 24th April 1857.

Read the following Letters from the Commissioners for investigating the debts of the late Nawaub of the Carnatic.

(Here enter ~~10~~th March 1857.)
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& 2d April 1857. No. 40

The Commission report their proceedings, taken up to the date of their letter, in pursuance of the orders contained in Ex: Min: Cons: 24th December No. 352 of 1856.

2. The Commissioners describe the measures adopted by them for the due custody of the accounts and other documents lately

Secured

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secured by the Government Agent at Chepauk – Their quantity is enormous and fills two immense Halls in the Humaioon-Mahal – They are lodged in Almirahs, trunks, and in some cases packed in cloth, but all of any importance under the seal of the Political Agent.

3. The Commissioners have examined numerous documents, daily accounts, Journals, Receipts, Abstracts, and Vouchers necessary to enable them to investigate claims, authenticate services, and ascertain the amount of arrears due to individuals, and they have found the forms in which the different Departments have kept their proceedings to admit of great facility of reference by the respective Officers, and such as to enable them to check the entries, and disbursements of each Department, as well by its own accounts, as by the Journals of other Departments of the Sircar –

4. In conformity with their instructions the Commissioners submit a list of the property of His late Highness, of whatever kind, real and personal, without reference to the distinction of Sircar or Private; it has been prepared from lists or statements received from the Dewan of the Durbar, including the name of every property believed by him to belong to the late Nawaub, with ~~his~~ remarks thereon in the margin, but the Commissioners have not been able to authenticate the

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the correctness of the items in this list, because much of the landed property had been assigned by His Highness during his life-time to servants, or other persons, for the purpose of being mortgaged, or otherwise raising money on the same; and until they obtain powers to compel the attendance, and the production of all documents in possession of parties interested on both sides, it is not possible for them to furnish a list in minute detail". The list + as now furnished will be communicated to the Hon: Co's Solicitor for his information, and to assist him in giving effect to the instructions which have already been furnished to him relative to this property.

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5. The Commissioners have likewise entered upon an examination of the claims to arrears of Wages and Allowances exhibited in the Statements submitted by the Govt: Agent at Chepauk with his letter of 6th Decr last. The portion that they have selected for investigation is that for the year 1855 up to the 8th of October of that year, being the day on which the Nawaub Mahomed Ghouse died. They report that after a minute and careful examination of the accounts of the several departments as enumerated in the Statements accompanying the Govt: Agents letter of 6th Decr 1856, they find the total arrears due to the servants &c &c, accustomed to be

paid

paid through their respective Departments, including a small sum for Purchases and Contingencies, to amount to Rupees 2,74,823-8-6. The sums for each department are exhibited in Appendix No. 2, and do not differ materially from those contained in the Statement submitted by the Agent on the 6th Decr last. The balance in the department of the Dust-i-Khas has not been submitted in consequence of the parties not having afforded satisfactory explanation.

6. It is however represented that the individuals for whom these amounts are claimed to be due, have not all of them been actually

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in the performance of duties. Some of them are in classes, and styled as Békars, Sáádáti and Neázáát &c, others seem to be Pensioners, but nearly all of them can be regarded but as Retainers, to whom payment was optional by the Nawaub, even while he was alive, and any payment of their arrears by Government can now only be the voluntary bounty of the State. The amount due to these parties is Rupees 49,358-13-

7. The Commissioners have not yet entered upon the verification of the services of the individuals serving in, or attached to, the several departments, except in so far as they have issued a notice, calling

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upon individuals to submit their claims stating the amount of arrears, and period for which they are due. They have already received 311 of these claims, and others are gradually coming to hand.

8. On examination of the Schedule in Appendix No 2, it is remarked that in the Department Mahalaht Her Highness Khyroon Nissa Begum has her claim set down at Rupees 90,933-6-0. It has been understood that the allowance actually assigned to this Lady by her late husband was only Rs 7000 - the remaining Rs 5000 being disbursed by him to others of her servants or retainers - Rupees 7000 for nine months would only amount to Rs 63,000 - It is therefore to be inferred that the above sum Rs 90,933 includes ~~includes~~ the arrears of allowances for 1855 due to Khyroon Nissa Begum's retainers, as well as to herself; but if this be so, care must be taken that none of the parties who participate in this sum draw the same arrears in another department -

9. The arrears Rupees 49,498 to the Bekar, Neeagaiat, Saadat &c will lie over for consideration hereafter on the Govt. being furnished by the Agent with the list of proposed pensions to those parties called for in Ex: Min Cons: 19 ult^o No 230 P 17 & 18.

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note - but the Agent has
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has [illegible] Report been
called upon for a state-
ment of the pensions
that wd be payable [illegible]
these parties or the
State that he has pro

10. Subject to the understanding expressed in Para

Rupees -	As.	Pie
274,823 -	8 -	6
143,109 -	1 -	3
131,714 -	7 -	3
49,498 -	2 -	6
82,216 -	4 -	9

Para 8. the Government authorize the arrears of allowances Rs (1,43,109-1-3.) one lac, forty three thousand, one hundred and nine, annas one, and pice three being disbursed to the family. They also authorize the arrears of Wages, except those Rs 49,498-2.6. alluded to in the preceding para, being paid to the various servants in the several Departments as fast as their services are verified. The payments will be made by the Chepauk Agent, who will report what amount he will require to have placed at his disposal for this purpose ~~as addition to the surplus now in the Treasury~~

Commissioners for inves-tigating the debts of H H the late Nawaub of the Carnatic
A. Begbie

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Dispd 25th

copy of the Comrs. letter & list of property

11. The Agent will gi all parties to whom these arrears are disbursed most dis-tinctly to understa that these payment are made by Govt solely of their own grace & bounty, an in no degree as clai-able as a matter o right on the part of the recipients — He will also take from each payee a state-ment in his own Lan-guage showing how the amount or balance to be paid him has been arrived at, with an admissio

Statement of its accuracy – The form of these Statements will be settled by him in communication with the H.L. Solicitor to whom Dr Balfour will also apply direct for any aid or advice that he may require in the matter

(Signed) J.P.

Chief Secretary

the President's note on the Memo should have been submitted to be shown to the H.L. Solicitor before despatch to the Comr & Govt Agent.

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Extract Mins: of Cons.

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April 18. 1857

My dear Mr Pycroft

Carnatic papers.

I have perused and herewith return the papers noted at foot.

Having learnt from you that the former M. of C. Government has recorded its views on the matters to which these papers relate and its conclusion that the Relatives, Servants and Retainers of the late Nabob have no claim upon the State for any Arrears of pay to which were due to them at the death of the late Nabob and that the course which Government has resolved to pursue is matter of grace and favor &c, I do not see any objection to any part of the Orders which Government now proposes to pass upon these papers with the exception of the concluding words "in "addition to the surplus now "in the Circar Treasury", which I think had better be omitted. Under present circumstances there can be no Circar Treasury. Its existence ceased with the death of the Nabob and the use of such expressions as these may lay the foundation of arguments of a troublesome character altho' easily met and explained.

I think Mr. Balfour should require each person to whom a payment is made to sign a statement in the language which such person speaks, shewing how the amount or balance to be paid to him has been arrived at and an admission at foot of such statement of its accuracy. I consider this necessary to prevent questions hereafter the more especially as further accounts in respect of Arrears which became due prior to the 1. January 1855 will have to be gone into

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well acquainted with many of
these same persons

I think it would also be
desireable for Dr. Balfour
to let me see and approve of
the forms of Statements &c
Receipts which he proposes
to take from the parties to
whom the payments in questn
are to be made and it might
save trouble to Government
if Dr. Balfour were authord
by Government to apply to me
direct for any aid or advice
that he may require

I shall be glad to have a
List of the property of Kelat
Nabob as soon as convenient
I mean a copy of the List
furnished to you by the
Commissioners

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Commissioners

Believe me
Yours very truly
L.R. Boyson

Dr. Balfour's letter to Governt
of 6 December 56 No. 134.
Mr. Seeds letter to Government
of 20 December 56 No. 731.
E. M. C. 24 Decr. 56 No. 132.
Commissrs letter to Government
of 13 March 1857 No. 33 and
enclosures.
Ditto 2d April 1857 No. 40 &
enclosures.
Proposed Orders of Governt
on the 2 last mentd comm

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Political Department

Memorandum

From the Commissioners for investigating the debts of the late Nabob of the Carnatic dated 13th March 1857.

1 The Commission report their proceedings taken up to the date of this letter in pursuance of the orders contained in Ex. Min: Cons: 24th Decr. No. 352 of 1856.

2 I have detained the report for a few days awaiting the receipt of the promised list of the Nabobs property, but it has not yet come to hand. Mr. Boyson is anxious to have a copy of it, when it does for

Since received

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for his guidance.

3. For the present, what the Commission seem to have done, is to ascertain the arrears of wages and allowances in the aggregate due for the year 1855 up to the Nabob's death, to all dep~~endants~~artments save one the Dust-i-khas or Department to conduct the expenditure of H. H. pocket money. These tally pretty closely with the returns previously made by the Agent with his letter of 6th December. The verification of Services has however yet to come.

4 The total amount is Rupees 274,823 – 8 – 6 viz

To Servants in Employ	2,24,003 – 4 – 11
" Pensioners, Beegums Sadats	49,498 – 2 – 6
Carried over	2,73,501 – 7 – 5
Brought over	2,73,501 – 7 – 5
Purchases – Contingent expenses and school Madrassa	1,322 – 1 – 1
Total Rs	2,74,823 – 8 – 6

It is advisable that the arrears due to the members of the family should be pa as soon as possible – & als to the servants & dependen

In the memo. it is st here – the verification of services has yet to come

Does this mean – that the investigation of the Commissio has not included the con-sideration – that the sums [illegible] by them as due may or may not be paya in consequence of their [illegible]

liability of Rowe's not having
been performed.

I am in favour of paying
the Saadat up to the
date of the Nabob's death.
[illegible] done at once
with a warning that they
will receive nothing further.

All payments should be made
thro: the Deputy Agent &
not thro: the Commander & it
would be well as a rule invariably
to communicate the intentions
of Govt. thro' the Agt. for any
remarks before the orders are
issued

H.

W. G. L.

only to the pay-
:ment of the servants
There is nothing about the
arrears due to the family. They
too sh.d be paid for the same period
15. for 1855 up to the date of the Nawab's
death.

The papers do not seem complete
The docket says "with one enclosure"
but there are 5 apparently
should be 6 - appendix No 7 & these
not being forthcoming

Ext. drained

c 28 March
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These papers

P. L. Dr. to Eng of 22d July No 11 of
1857 Paras 2 C 7

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F. No. 902 of /57

Extract Mins: of Cons:

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F. No. 411
F. No. 830 of 1857

Sanctioning payment
rears of wages and allowance
the Carnatic family
vants with instruction
arding them and in co
ction with the property
H. H. the late Nuwaub.

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