

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No.	528	Press ~~Mis.~~
Dated	8-7-	1918.37

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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 14th July 1857.

No. 3. From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 26th June 1857, No. 151 of P. C. S.

SIR,

I respectfully request the Right Honorable the Governor in Council not to allow Syed Taha Sahib or any other Carnatic Stipendiary to depart from the Orders in the 2nd para : of the Petition Rules, which prescribe the Channel of communication for addressing Government. The course adopted by Syed Taha Sahib of addressing direct is one that no British Officer would presume to do, and Syed Taha Sahib's rank is not equal to that of any British Officer, he being but the grandson of a servant of the Nabob Wallajah, and, as such, a dependant on the bounty of the State. Although better known amongst Europeans, he is not the equal in social rank of the Wallajah family ; and their communications by Extract Minutes of Consultation, 3rd and 9th January 1846, Nos. 3 and 16, must be sent through the usual Channel.

2. On a recent occasion, when the Civil Auditor introduced a change in the mode of drawing on Provincial Treasuries, Syed Taha Sahib, addressed Government direct, on the subject, (*vide* Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 223, dated 25th July 1856, para : 2) ; on that occasion I waited on Mr. Chief Secretary Pycroft and pointed out the objections to Syed Taha Sahib being allowed to arrogate to himself the right of addressing Government direct, and Mr. Pycroft said that such direct communications would not be again received ; but the same has again occurred.

3. It is very advisable to have one rule for all, under any circumstances ; but there is nothing in Syed Taha Sahib's position to allow him to make any departure from the usual course, and his being so permitted, can only incite others to strive for the possession of a similar right. His intention to do as he has now done was reported to me nearly two months ago, and with one exception* he and his people are the only Carnatic Stipendiaries who have not returned their receipts for my Countersignature, the sons of

* *His Highness Prince Anzeem Jah Bahadoor.*

Nabobs Children and Grand Children of Wallajah, having all at once, taken them, and Syed Taha Sahib is but the grandson of a servant of Wallajah, and owes all he has to Wallajah's bounty and British profusion.

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, No. 528 ; dated 8th July 1857.

The subject of the foregoing communication has been disposed of in para : 3 of Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 6th Instant, No. 522, passed on the Agent's letter of the 26th June, No. 150.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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The great reason that a difference
exists between the present occasion
and the former one to which the agent
alludes, when John Tabor and myself
were employed here, is that the
agent is not here. About the time
the other parties reached the
settlement, an order paper was
sent him, in a letter, in which
he was told that the company of his office
had been under his full consideration.
On such an occasion, the agent
is not likely to present a letter
addressing them directly, if
he has come for employment.
I don't quite remember this, but
that I think he has. While he
was here, the agent hid the
fact that he had been employed here.
The fact that he had been employed here
was not known to the agent.

It is not fair to say that the agent
hid the fact that he had been employed here.
The fact that he had been employed here
was not known to the agent.

8th June 1856 No 546
13th June 1856 No 24223
29th July 1856 No 13414

Collected by 12th July 1856
of 1000 Rupees 243
Repaid to 27th Oct 1856
No 10753

of the petition &
rules, which pre-
scribe the channel
of communication
for addressing
Government.

C. 2nd July
R 4 "

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In 24th June: 1856

POLITICAL 1856 DEPARTMENT.

From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR,

Government Agent at Chepauk.

To

C. Mally Ceyne

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Dated 26th June 1856

Received 29th June 1856

No 11557

Respectfully request
that the Right Honourable
the Governor in Council
will not to allow
Jaha Sahib or any
other Curmudgeon
to depart from the
orders in the 1st para.

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With an Order

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No 528. The subject of the
forgoing communication have
been disposed of in para 3 of Ex.
Min. of Coun. of the 8th Instant No
522 passed on the Agent's letter
of the 26th June No 100.

W. G. George, Esq.
8th July, 1854.

W. G.

To the Govt Agent } Depd. 17th
at Chapank }