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Political **DEPARTMENT.**

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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 21st July 1857.

No. 9. From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 8th July 1857, No. 193 of G. A.

SIR,

I have the honor to request you to explain to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that the transaction to which the Dewan of the Durbar alludes in his letter, copy subjoined, is as follows.

2. In 1855, during the life-time of His Highness the late Nabob Mahomed Ghous Khan, the Sirkar Department styled Mudad-i- Kharch, sent in their Abstracts for their salaries in arrears for the month of May 1855. There was not, however, any payment made on these Abstracts, which were allowed to remain in the Sircar Treasury, uncashed. This was the irregular mode of acting in the Sircar, every Abstract received into the Treasury being retained there and not returned, no matter whether any payment thereon was made or not.

3. On examining the Abstract for this Department for salaries in arrears for May 1855, I find that it was lodged in the Treasury under the date of 1st June 1855, and this Abstract for Rupees 7,440-8-0 was cashed as follows:

	Rs. A.P.
1855 3rd September	5 0 0
„ 1st October	3 8 0
„ 23rd „	15 0 0
„ 8th November	6,109 2 0
„ 12th „	315 10 0
„ 13th „	240 0 0
„ 14th „	158 12 0
„ 15th „	56 4 0
„ 17th „	8 0 0
„ 18th „	3 0 0
„ 19th „	12 0 0
„ 27th „	20 0 0
„ 1st December	7 0 0
„ 11th „	8 0 0
1856 9th January	5 0 0
„ 7th February	7 0 0
„ 23rd April	8 0 0
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4. The payment made by the Dewan of the Durbar on that May Abstract is explained by this Officer in the letter subjoined as having been so in November for the October arrears, to save the Department the trouble of preparing new Abstracts.

5. It is clear that all the correction which was required to be made by the Durbar in the Abstracts alluded to, was to strike out the words arrears for *May* 1855, and to substitute arrears for *October* 1855. As this correction was not made, however, the Records of the Sircar as they now stand shew that the Servants of the Department Mudad-i-Kharch, were duly paid their salaries for May 1855, but received no pay for October 1855.

6. As the Commissioners are only investigating the debts of the deceased Nabob, they find the Servants have been so paid for May 1855:—and this finding leaves the servants of this department unpaid for October 1855.

7. I have the honor to suggest the adoption of the following courses.

That if the Accountant General in his investigation of the accounts of the Dewan's Administration, find that payment has not been made on October Abstracts, the Dewan be now permitted to make such payment, or

That the Commissioners be desired to inquire and report whether payment was also made on Abstracts for October, and if not,

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- A. Command Commissioners to consider the May Abstracts as November Abstracts, or
B. Permit Dewan to issue pay for October 1855.

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

From MUDAR OOL OOMRAH, Dewan of the Durbar; to E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Government Agent, Chepauk, dated Chepauk Palace, 2nd July 1857.

SIR,

After the demise of His Highness the late Nabob of the Carnatic, the receipts of the Servants attached to the Madud Khurch Department for May 1855, having been ready with Seals affixed to them, I distributed the salary of these servants for that month instead of October 1855, conceiving that by so doing it would be of no consequence, because both months were due and such practice had existed in the life time of the late Nabob, but the Commissioners will not admit October of that year to be due, because the distribution for October had taken place subsequent to the demise of His Highness. As the salaries of these servants have been paid in November 1855, for May 1855, I cannot now without the order of Government, discharge the salaries of these servants for October 1855, which amounts to Rupees 6800. I therefore beg you will acquaint Government of this circumstance, and communicate their reply to me, that I may act accordingly.

(Signed) مدار الامر
MUDAR OOL OOMRAH,
Dewan of the Durbar.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

No. 10. ORDER THEREON, No. 551; dated 16th July 1857.

The Government resolve to communicate the foregoing letter to the Accountant General and also to the Commissioners for investigating the debts of the late Nawaub, for their report. They will, after careful investigation and examination of the Accounts, state whether the Pay Abstract of the Mudad-i-Khurch Establishment for the month of October 1855, has been discharged, and whether the arrears for May 1855, which are stated to have been disbursed from the allowance for October, are included in the amount of arrears of wages, &c. due to the servants of the several Departments of the Sirkar for the year 1855, the payment of which was sanctioned in Extract Minutes of Consultation, of the 24th April last, No. 318.

2. It must be observed that the Dewan was not authorised to apply the amount allowed for the payment of the salaries of the servants for October 1855, towards the discharge of the arrears due for the month of May in that year, and that the Proceeding was irregular and has no doubt occasioned some confusion in the Accounts.

Exd. W. Komareck.

Political Department

No. 551

*Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
under date 16th July 1857*

*Read letter from the
Govt Agent at Chepauk.
dated 8 July 1857 No. 143.*

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No. 187. ~~and that the~~
~~the amount would be~~
~~the same as before.~~

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JM

To the Govt Agent at Peshawar
" Acct General
" Com^r for investigating the
affairs of N. W. Provinces.

} Despatch 22nd

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