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From

E. MALTBY, Esq.,

Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George,

To

G. F. EDMONSTONE, Esq.,

Secretary to the Government of India.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 20th July, and to state that immediate measures were taken to examine the papers and small chest of Hadgee Meer Gholam Allee at Masulipatam, and ascertain the object of his visit to that place, and the proceedings of the parties adverted to in his intercepted letter.

2. From the communications made by the Acting Magistrate it appears that this person and his Master, Nawab Saedood Dowlah, arrived at Masulipatam in April last on their return from a pilgrimage to Mecca. They appeared before the Collector and Magistrate without any concealment or mystery, to ask for passports onwards to Calcutta, and produced passports in due form given by Colonel Sleeman, Resident at Lucknow, whence they started on their pilgrimage, by the British Resident at Bagdad, and by the authorities at Sholapore and Hyderabad.

3. Nawab Saedood Dowlah went onwards by land, and his servant, the writer of the intercepted letter, remained behind with the baggage, waiting for an opportunity to proceed to Calcutta by sea. Nothing suspicious has been found in his papers or in the chest, and he showed the Acting Magistrate the Persian cats to which he alludes in his letter, explaining that they had been brought by him from Bussorah for the Begum his Master's wife, who is now in Calcutta.

4. The titular Nawab of Masulipatam, a pensioner of Government, has allowed Hadgee Meer Gholam Ally to occupy an out-building in his premises, out of respect or friendship, it appears, for his master, Saedood Dowlah.

5. Of the parties named in the intercepted letter, Agha Mohomed Hossein is a respectable inhabitant of Masulipatam, who follows his father's occupation of colouring chintzes. Fuzl Ally Khan, is a relation of the titular Nawab, and Rannuk Ally Khan is described as being in the service of the Nizam, and well known at Hyderabad.

6. Much attention has been given to this case, because in addition to the apparently doubtful tenor of the intercepted letter, with its allusion to the Mohurrum, some seditious signs had manifested themselves in Masulipatam, which town, from its vicinity to Hyderabad, and its numerous Mahomedan inhabitants, is liable to sudden excitement. But I am happy to report that the Mohurrum has passed over quietly, and that nothing has occurred to throw suspicion on the parties referred to in your letter.

Produced passport in due form

2. In obedience to the instructions contained, I seized all the papers and the small writing box of Hajee Meer Gholam Alle, and examined him.

3. In April last he and his Master, Nawab Said ood Dowlah arrived here, and the Hajee came to me by desire of his Master, and requested passports for Calcutta. I then informed him that passports had been abolished.

4. He then produced passports which he now has from the British Resident at Bagdad, an English Officer near Sholapore, whose name and designation I cannot make out, and from authorities in the Nizam's country, all correct.

5. He has also shewed me a passport from Colonel Sleeman, Resident at Lucknow when he and his Master started on their pilgrimage to Mecca, so far his passports are correct; and on his arrival here, I can certify there was no attempt at concealment or mystery, for Hajee Meer Gholam Ali then pronounced himself the Nawab ood Dowlah's servant, and I distinctly remember his saying he must wait for a ship.

6. He now says his Master went by land. I wrote to Fuzl Allee Khan from Cuttack once, and from Calcutta twice, but never to him. He says his Master's wife is in Calcutta, and he has 2 cats for her, one of which his Master bought at Busoorah, and the other was born en route. He has 9 large packages, the property of his Master, and I see no reason to doubt his story that he is waiting for a native vessel.

7. I will, however, report more fully; these few lines are to go by this evening's post to allay any anxiety Government may feel.

3. I may add, Agha Mahomed Hossein is a respectable resident of this Town, engaged in colouring chintzes, as his father was before him, and he was a casual acquaintance of Nawab Saed oud Dowlah, who passed here as a very holy man.

9. Fuzl Allee Khan is a near relation of the Nawab, and is commonly called Sod Sahib.

10. Rounnuck Alli Khan is in the Nizam's service, and is a known character I am told.

11. The Nawab of this Town seems to have allowed Gholam Ali to occupy a sort of go-down in his compound.

I have great hopes that the matter will be satisfactorily cleared.

(Signed) W. KNOX,

Acting Magistrate.

P. S.—I trust what I have written will justify my not *at once* putting Meer Gholam Ali into close custody. I will keep a surveillance over him, and ship him in the first vessel, unless, of course, cause for suspicion may arise.

(True Copies.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. H. Morgan.

Maestripatum

18 August 1957.

My dear Sir

Every thing external
quits him, but I am aware
that his constant taste of the
new day soon changes the
fundamentals of exchange the
importance I attach to the
news of the fall of Berlin &
the demand of water
around. Since we are so
I wish that uncertainly, where
merchants are so fond of
one must expect the indignation
of purchasers, who can discover
no cause, but the specific details
of the new climate, to swell into
violence.
As regards our frontier settlements

know the P.W. Dept. was sending
Officers to study the languages -
I am writing engineers about
an officer I knew one of the g't.
Maj. W. Peyton, spoken of as
the man who did not see it.
Present I see no necessity for
organizing a native militia for
I think are they. The organizing
we shall have referred into our
usual courts.
I am in communication with the
D. Engineer about the only
river on the Hyderabad Road
it is sometimes for 2 days
impassable.

I feel at a loss to say more
about the 'cats'. I have seen
the one, brought in from the
other is a kitten; the case
is exactly as I said, the second

cannot now leave this
because his master has
not yet made his arrangements.
I may also add that W.
Cotton is Senior Civilian
and reported he is a
Subaltern. & my first
order was to have all
Officers for despatch or delivery
to Mohomedan or for
such services. I have brought
to me & having satisfied
myself I think that
they will be forwarded in
due course. It will be sent
for M. Williamson's parcel
there I have suspected.

I read, with interest.

Yours sincerely

18 Aug } J. Thorne
1857

28 July 1857

To the asst. Secretary
From the asst. Magistrate
Maulviatam

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter in
the Political Dep. dated 25 July
forwarding copies of a letter
from the Secy to the Govt
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Memo

On opening some notes
of the Uda's family
made at Matali Patana
in 1853 I find the following
"Ali Khan, a son of
Rashtangate" (the late Nawab's
father) by a Harun marriage
has 2 children & is very
discontented with the pottana
he receives "50 Rs a month."
"Agah Muhammad Jan
indicates the (late) Nawab's sister
in law is represented to be a
very bad character, &
formerly scolded by all the
family."

say all the respectable people.
 He is now the Begums factotum
 • principal adviser
 • all the business of the ~~family~~
 whether his Aga Mohammad Yaqub
 is the same as Aga Mohiuddin and
 his son "Ho not know but
 does not unlikely."
 The Begum (widow of the
 late Nawab) is poor and her
 Begum the daughter of Baji
 Mohammad - a merchant of
 Bunder - her sister married
 the above mentioned Aga Mohammad
 & she lives at Bunder one of
 the Nawab's sons was married to
 Aga Mohammad's daughter & the
 great disputation of all the respectables is
 Fecl. -

This information being
 obtained entirely from
 members of the Nawab's family
 who called on me at various
 times & not from the ~~factotum~~
at all, may be useful.

Aga Mohammad Nizam's wife
 rich & the Begum has all
 the wealth of the Nawab's
 family in her own possession
 though she inherited from
 her father & the Nawab
 made over to her & her
 husband to keep it from
 his brothers & other relatives.

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From the Acting Magistrate of
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in your letter

7- A surveillance has been kept
over Hidge Meer Gholam Ally
and the act ^{notified} ~~reported~~
his intention of allowing him
to proceed to Calcutta with his
masters property in the first
ship, unless any discovery
implicating his loyalty & cm.
- ^{meanwhile} must ~~be~~ made.

Fort St. George
7 Sept/57

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