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Political **DEPARTMENT.**

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, under date the 9th September 1857.

Read the following letter from Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk ; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 21st August 1857, No. 241, of G. A.

SIR,

I have the honor to address the Right Honorable the Governor in Council on the subject of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, No. 619, of the 10th Instant wherein Carnatic Jaghiredar Stipendiary No. 1206, Mahomed Islum Jung, known, as the Nabob's servant, by the title of the Surfuraz ood Dowlah, is declared to be of the rank, and ordered to have the full pension of, Chief Officer.

2. The Petitions of this person, were not, as has hitherto been the invariable practice, ordered to be submitted to me by Government, for the free reports which I am able to make to Government alone.

3. I ask the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to re-consider that order, on the following grounds :—

4. In my communication No. 172, of the 17th June, I explained how three families had absorbed so many and so largely paid Offices in the Circar : and, as I then gave the list of the Munshi's relations, 21 in number, drawing Rupees 2,007 per mensem, I now give the list of the Dewan's 25 relations, drawing Rupees 2,844-8 per mensem, and of the Hakeem's 21 relations, drawing Rupees 924 per mensem.

5. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council, in Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 22nd July 1857, raised the Hakeem to the rank and full pension of Chief Officer :—the individual similarly raised in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 619, regarding whom I am now writing, is the Hakeem's son-in-law, and is No. 2 of List 1, as follows :—

List I.

List of the Family, &c. of the Hakeem who received allowance from Durbar.

No.	Names.	Salary.	Occupation.	Dates of Entertainment.	Remarks.
		RS.			
1	Mohthamim ood Dowlah Bahadoor...	250	Commissy. Genl.	1249	
2	Uslum Jung Bahadoor, son-in-law...	140	Chief Engineer.	1261	
3	Hakeem Mahmood Ally, brother...	20	Hakeem.	1262	
4	Bahawood Deen, brother...	20	Hakeem.	1263	
5	Meer Azeem ood Deen, nephew...	15	Hakeem.	1267	
6	Hakeem Mussee Newaz Khan, br. brother-in-law	40	Hakeem.	1232	
7	Meer Mahmood Bukhsh, brother-in-law...	15	Moonshee.	1252	
8	Mahomed Budee ood Deen Hoossain, br. in-law	15	Moonshee.	1810	
9	Mussee ood Dowlah, son...	50	Becaur.	1265	
10	Hakeem Gholam Mahomed, brother...	20	No duty recorded		From Begum
11	Hakeem Gholam Mahomed Khan, son-in-law	30	do.		do.
12	Hakeem Gholam Jeelanee Khan, son...	30	do.		do.
13	Fukhr Oon Nissa, a relative...	7	do.		do.
14	Hakeem Mahthamim ood Dowlah...	150	do.		do.
15	Surfroz ood Dowlah...	40	do.		do.
16	(Mother) Munnah Begum...	25	do.		
17	(Nicka Mother) Dawood Khanum...	20	do.		
18	Fizoo Bee, sister...	6	do.		
19	Abool Hussun, brother-in-law...	7	do.		
20	Abdool Khooddoos, do.	7	do.		
21	Gholam Moostafah, father-in-law ...	17	do.		
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List II.

List of the Family of Dewan who enjoyed Allowance from Durbar.

No.	Names.	Salary.		Occupation.	Date of Entertainment.
		RS.	A.		
1	Cazee ul Moolk Bahadoor, brother of Dewan	300	0	Cauzee.	12th Sept. 1238
2	Nizam ood Deen Ahmed Khan, nephew.....	50	0	Sheriff.	10th Rajab 1268
3	Therazish Khan Bahadoor, son-in-law.....	80	0	Dy. Head Moonshee.	1261
4	Ameer Newaz Jung Bahadoor.....	80	0	Dy. Nazir.	1267
5	Madar ul Oomrah Bahadoor.....	600	0	Dewan.	1238
6	Shurful Moolk Bahadoor, son.....	150	0	Dy. Dewan & Auditor.	1260
7	Khismuth Khan Bahadoor, son.....	80	0	Civil Paymaster.	1260
8	Hoossain Lootfoollah Khan Bahadoor, son.....	50	0	Dy. Treasurer.	1266
9	Inthezam Khan Bahadoor, son.....	100	0	Private Secretary.	1267
10	Khader Ally Khan, son-in-law.....	35	0	Darogah.	1259
11	Khossim Jung Bahadoor, son.....	80	0	Paymaster.	1261
12	Sadarut Khan Bahadoor, nephew.....	80	0	Head of the Dept. of dedication.	1260
13	Mahomed Saeed, nephew.....	30	0	Becaur.	1272
14	Salar Moolk Bahadoor, son-in-law.....	600	0	Bukhshee.	1243
15	Shurfood Dowlah Bahadoor, son.....	187	8	Dy. Private Secretary.	1268
16	Gholam Abdool Khader, grand nephew.....	40	0	Deputy Secretary.	1268
17	Mahomed Habeeb Oollah, relative.....	70	0	No duty recorded.	1241
18	Abdool Ally, relative.....	30	0	do.	1269
19	Mahomed Abboo Beekur, relative.....	15	0	do.	
20	Hajee Syed Mahomed Ghouse, do.....	10	0	do.	
21	Hajee Mahomed Wusur.....	7	0	do.	
22	Khader Azeem Khan.....	50	0	do.	
23	Syed Imath ood Deen Hoossain.....	10	0	do.	
24	Mahomed Habeeb Oollah.....	10	0	do.	
25	Nadeem Oollah Khan.....	100	0	do.	
Total Rupees.....		2,844	8		

6. As I before, in my letter No. 172, suggested the advisability of avoiding throwing all the high pensions into these three families, that is my first reason for submitting, that as the Hakeem, the father-in-law, has got from Government the full pension, there is no pecuniary necessity for doing the same to the son-in-law.

7. I would also submit that the cause of much of the indebtedness of His Highness the late Nabob, and the irregularity of paying his servants, was as follows :—

8. In his early youth, the Nabob was kept wholly in the back ground ; and from the time he came of age and ascended the Musnud to his death, he kept around him youths and men, mostly of low birth, but of the lowest pursuits and habits. These men, styled the " Companions," as I have before explained, incited the Nabob to all the extravagances of which he was guilty, and profited by the same, and although Lord Ellenborough's order commanded to avoid knowing any thing that the Princes of India did in their privacy, wholly not to know was impossible, and the names of few persons were mentioned, during the past years, more unfavorably than that of Uslum Jung Bahadoor, Surferaz ood Dowlah.

9. From these Political reasons, I could never have recommended this man.

* Entertained 25th December 1845 as Munshi in Medical Department, on..... Rs. 50
Increased next year to " 80
Do. Do. " 110
1st March 1851, appointed Head of Engineer's Department..... " 140

10. Moreover this person's date of first employment was only the 25th December 1845, only ten years, and the situations and salaries he has held are as per margin.*

11. He has therefore no old service to demand consideration, and he is a young man of 35 years of age.

12. Moreover, under the orders in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 16th May 1837, he has been

" Resolved agreeably to the recommendation of the Government Agent that a reduction of Rupees (11-4) Eleven and Annas four be made in the monthly portion of Rupees a Carnatic Jaghiredar se enty-one and annas four enjoyed by the late Masaheba Beebee, the daughter of the late Stipendary, for the past 20 years. ⁽⁵⁰⁾ ⁽³⁰⁾ Malik Mahmood Ali Khan, and that the remaining sixty Rupees be continued in the name of her eldest son, Muhmood Ali Khan, Sued, for the support of the individuals named in the Margin t

13. Moreover para. 3 of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 619 makes the sunnud in this person's possession, the ground of his being raised to the grade of a Chief Officer, but in my letter No. 235 of the 18th Instant, I have advanced the argument that sunnuds cannot be taken as a test of chiefship : but if they be so, the rule must be applied to all who posses sunnuds.

14. I have the honor to suggest a re-consideration of this case, and that his claim be rejected on the grounds above given.

(Signed) E. G. BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

Government instruct the Agent to carry into execution the order regarding Surfaraz ood Dowlah which was conveyed to him in Extract Minutes of Consultation 10th August, No. 619. That order was passed on a consideration of Surfaraz ood Dowlah's application to be regarded as a Chief Officer, of the endorsement passed by the Agent on his previous petition of the sunnud which he held, and the place and title which he enjoyed in the Nawab's Household, Government do not therefore see cause to alter their decision.

2. In addition to the instructions which were given in Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 24th August No. 664, para. 3, for the adjudication of some further similar claims pending before the Agent, it is requested that the Agent will obtain from the Dewan an explanatory report of the persons whom he considered to be the Chief Officers of the late Nawab's Hcusehold, and forward it for the information of Government.

(True Extract and Copy.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Government Agent at Chepauk.

Exd. H. Morgan.

From the Durbar of the late Nabob
and the late Nabob's

Sept 16

Political Department

Extract from the Minutes of Board of Directors
dated 9th September 1857.

Read letter from the
Govt at Chebank d 21 August
No 246

Mr. H. G.

- Govt instructed the Agent
to carry into execution the
order regarding Surfaraz
and Dawlat which was com-
municated to him in S. No. of C
10 August No 619 - That order
was passed in consideration
of Surfaraz and Dawlat's application
of the Applicant's claim to be
regarded as a Chief Officer,
of the undersigned passed
by the Agent on his petition
of the demand which he
made for the place of the
which he enjoyed in the
Jannabi household -
Govt do not therefore see
cause to alter their decision,
and they do disapprove
of the Agent questioning

their orders on the point
which it was to entirely
their province to decide

[Signature]

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24 Aug. No 664 P3
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the Dewan an ^{explanatory} report of the persons

who are considered to be the chief
Officers of the late Nawab's household

and forward it for the
information of Govt.

[Signature]

Copy to the Govt. Agent at Lucknow.

Dep'ty Gt.