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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 6th October 1857.

No. 37-25 From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk ; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 30th September 1857, No. 249 of P. C. S.

SIR,

At the present time there are two dates named by Government and the Accountant General, for the payment of the Carnatic Stipends.

2. I have the honor to subjoin copy of a letter on this subject addressed by me to the Accountant General and to enclose the reply* received thereto.
* Requested to be returned.

3. I have the honor to offer as my opinion to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that the payments to the three Classes of Stipendiaries in the Agency, viz., the Carnatic Stipends of 1801 ; the Carnatic Jaghiredar Stipends and the Carnatic Stipends of 1855, may, with advantage and without any objection, all be ordered to be paid from the same day.

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk ; to G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General, Fort Saint George, dated 7th September 1857, No. 232 of P. C. S.

SIR,

Since receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 19th January last, (as in your Financial letter, No. 299 of 25th Ultimo) in addition to the announcement in the Gazette, you have been intimating an earlier day for paying the Stipends of that part of the Carnatic Stipendiaries of 1855, who had hitherto been in receipt of allowances from the One-fifth Share of the Carnatic Revenues, allotted under Article 5 of Treaty of 1801, for the support of the Nabobs and their immediate Family.

2. I have not been put in possession of the reasons for having the two periods ; but, if not an oversight, may assume the intention is to imitate the practice in the Nabobs' times, and to do honor to this portion of the Stipendiaries, by issuing their Stipends at an earlier period of the month than those of others are paid.

3. I do not think the two periods, one in advance of another, are necessary : than the people stipended by Extract Minutes of Consultation of 19th January 1857, there are very many of the Carnatic Stipendiaries of 1801 of far higher Social Rank, and the Agency will take care that due consideration is given to the position of all incumbents on the Carnatic Stipend List.

4. If deemed essential, however, by yourself or Government, it will be necessary for the same to be notified officially in the Gazette, as the Sub Treasurer has declined to cash the earlier receipts, I have this month issued ; and, when furnished with your Finance letter, No. 299, has notified as per margin.

No. Copy of this has been furnished to me, the Gazette is my authority at present.

(Signed) S. D. B.

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

From G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General ; to Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk, dated 26th September 1857, No. 452.

SIR,

1.- With reference to your letter of the 7th Instant, I have the honor to inform you that it has been the practice to advertize the payment of the Carnatic Stipends, a few days later than that of the Civil Allowances, with a view to meet the convenience of the Sub Treasurer. If he were to discharge the Abstracts of Establishments and the Carnatic Stipends simultaneously, he

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pressure on his Establishment would be great. But the monthly allowance to the late Nabob which was payable in one sum, (out of his one fifth share of the Carnatic Revenues) was always made payable on the same day as that advertized for the payment of the Civil Allowances, probably to do honor to His late Highness. An intimation to this effect was given to the Chief Secretary to Government, who communicated it to you.

2. Even after the death of the Nabob, the Government continued to be informed by this Office monthly as theretofore, that the Funds in the General Treasury would admit of the Nabob's Allowance being paid on the same day as that fixed for the payment of the Civil Allowances. The Government sanctioned, under date the 19th January last, in lieu of that allowance to the Nabob, Allowances to the Members of the Carnatic Family and their Dependants. These Allowances also, the Government were informed, as usual could be paid on the same day as that fixed for the payment of the Civil allowances. There was no particular object or consideration in view, It was merely the continuance as it were of the previous practice.

3. Under the Minutes of Consultation, dated the 26th May last, No. 407, the communications to the above effect have been since made to you direct instead of to Government.

4. Under the explanation contained in your letter under reply, and for the reasons alledged in the 1st para: of this letter, it appears to me that both descriptions of the payments, viz., the allowances to the Members of the Carnatic Family and their Dependants, as well as the Carnatic Stipends, should be paid simultaneously a few days after the day fixed for the discharge of the Civil allowances, but on this point I request that you will obtain the orders of Government and communicate the same to me, when I shall have the honor of arranging accordingly, commencing with the next issue of pay, by sending the necessary instructions to the Sub Treasurer to discharge the allowances to the Members of the Carnatic Family and their Dependants on one and the same day, viz., that on which the payment of the Carnatic Stipends may have been advertised in the Fort Saint George Gazette.

5. In the mean while I would recommend that the practice hitherto observed be continued for the next issue of pay, viz., the Carnatic Stipends be paid on the 9th October as advertized, but the payments, to the Carnatic Families, &c., be issued on the 6th of that month, and to this effect I will write to the Sub Treasurer on receiving your reply to this letter.

(Signed) G. L. PRENDERGAST,
Accountant General.

No. 38. 6 ORDER THEREON, No. 852; dated 5th October 1857.

The Government approve of the proposed payment of the several descriptions of Carnatic Stipends simultaneously on the same date, and desire that the Accountant General will arrange accordingly.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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Fort St George, &
5 October, 1857.

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To the Govd Agent at Chempak
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" Acct. General
" Civil Auditor
" Sub Treasurer. Dispt-12th