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*Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 13th October 1857.*

No. 30. MINUTE OF CONSULTATION, under date the 10th October 1857, No. 874.

In order that final arrangement may be made for the Ceremonies performed at the Tombs of the Nawaubs, the Chepauk Agent's attention is called to Extract Minutes of Consultation, 11th November 1856, No. 420, and he is requested, after consultation with the leading Members of the Family, to state his opinion as to the proper amount of the extra allowance which Government propose to grant for the purpose.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

*has are to be continued at Pichei.*

Memo  
Carnatic Tombs.

x There is no doubt  
but there is a large com-  
munity interested on the  
late occasion.

Note. The Govt keep  
up the tombs of  
Tippos Sultan &  
Seringapatam, &  
even that of his  
father (who was  
buried by the side  
of his father) at  
Colar.

Political Dept.

About Tombs generally the  
following are standing orders.  
In the C. G. Bd. of Revenue - Vol I  
Page 412. Note (a) the Govt  
are found to say (12<sup>th</sup> April in  
con. 14<sup>th</sup> May/49. Rev. Dept  
No 369. Para 9) but in continuing  
Grants granted for the custody of  
Tombs, a good deal will depend  
as to whether the Shrine is kept  
in repair - service performed &c,  
and whether any importance is  
attached to the Tomb by the  
Community; and in a letter  
of 22<sup>nd</sup> July No 565 of 1848  
the Govt of India lay it down  
that it is unfitting that Grants  
of State Money should be made  
directly for the purpose of care.  
monies at the tombs of deceased  
Pensioners.

2. During the last mentioned  
taken, Mr. Kalfourn, on the 25<sup>th</sup>  
October last enquires if the Fati  
has are to be continued at Trichi.

- no poly & Triplacane -

At the taken place are the  
counts of Argeem ood Sowlah,  
Argeem Jah, and Mahomed  
Ghouse, the last Natoh.

I think it, he says, highly expen-  
sive but a certain amount of  
estate is retained at the place.  
At Triplacane the present estate  
consists of 136 people at a monthly  
expense of Rs 2922 " 6 " 3.

Of this is recommended that all  
whose age is above 30 years be re-  
tained for life - but all under  
18 be retained up to that year,  
and that all, whose ages range  
from 18 to 30 years, be dismissed  
with gratuities.

From S. Balfour  
8 Nov/56.

At Trichonopoly the estate is rather  
large. being only Rs 1517 " 5 " 8  
per annum. This is proposed to  
be reduced to Rs 600 a year, on the  
assumption of retaining to that  
amount of salary the senior servants  
of the place.

On these reports the Govt observed, that  
it is the duty of the "family" to  
provide for such expenses, but  
inasmuch as the allowance assigned

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27/222/11/56

2 M. C. No 706  
27/2/9-57.

to the present head of the  
Arche family, Prince Argeem Jah,  
is no more than is sufficient for  
his own proper expenses, the  
Govt would be willing to make  
him a stipend for his special  
purpose. The Agent was directed  
to state what sum would be  
deemed a suitable one, and  
he was in the meanwhile, to  
continue the present payments  
made to the two establishments.

3. Since the death of Mahomed Ghouse's  
demise, several large amounts  
have been sanctioned, for various  
Fatilas, at the request of the Baron.

(A) Rs 14,000. for the "for the days"  
ceremony of the said Natoh.

(B) Rs 15,000 for the first  
'annual' ceremony of His Highness.

(C) - Rs 300. for the annual  
ceremonies of the Natohs Argeem  
ood Sowlah, and Argeem Jah,  
and of the late Enayatoon Nef  
Begam.

(D) Rs 2000. for the second annual  
ceremony of the late Natoh.

4. In his monster report 2/24/57.

the agent devoted some Pages  
(P. 101 et seq.) to the subject.

He talks at Trichinopoly, he  
states, he within the precincts  
of the Dargah on Shrine of the  
great Moslem Saint, Nur-un-Nabi,  
which Dargah has attached to it  
endowments of lands situated  
in various talooks of the district,  
of the annual value of Rs 3,281.  
This endowment pertains solely  
to the saint's shrine, but Dr. Kal.  
four proposed, on the principle,  
I suppose, of "rotting Peter to  
pay Paul" that in future 100  
Rs per annum shall be in future  
deducted from the fund, & appli-  
ed to the Fatihah of the Dr. Kal.  
buried within the same place.  
One hundred rupees a year!  
Dr. Kal. does not mention  
the amount here to fore applied  
to these purposes, but from a letter  
in the Govt. record office written  
early in the present century to Lord  
Clive by H. H. Arzim ul Bowlah,  
we find that H. H. assigned six  
hundred 100 Rs per annum,  
but one month. A long line

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of ancestors found their  
last resting place here - as well,  
I believe, as his immediate pre-  
decessor, Omdut ul Omra.

This highness Arzim ul Bowlah  
was the son & heir of Ameen  
"ul Omra", who was the second  
"son of the Rajah Mahomed  
"ali (Wallaah Jah) and the  
great grandson of late his pa-  
rents of the Rajah Amven  
"ud Deen Khan, of Belgaum  
"memory"! Nearly all these  
great personages are buried at  
Trichinopoly, with many others  
of the immediate family -

5. Like the Tombs at Trichi-  
nopoly, those here have no endow-  
ment. The Mosque at Madras, where  
the last three Dr. Kal. are laid,  
have assigned for their upkeep the  
two villages of Schmael coorum &  
Sheyana poorum in White area.  
It is presumed these grants were  
made by the Rajah Arzim ul Bowlah  
out of lands retained by him (like  
the Arzim garden) by the favour of

\* Treasurer.  
or  
Custodian.

Govt at the capion of the  
country. At any rate in Decr/22  
the Govt of Sir T. Munro directed  
the entry of these two villages  
in the Mann register of North  
Arcot, as Jagheen granted as  
an endowment for the  
Wallahabees and Anwar  
Mosques in Triplicane, to  
administered by Hafiz Ghulam  
Muhammad, the Mootwallah of the  
said Mosques, under the orders of  
H.H. the Nizam of the Carnatic.  
On the same principle enumerated  
in the case of Trichinopoly, Sir  
Balfour would saddle the endow-  
ment of the Triplicane Mosques  
with the charge of Rs 200 a year  
for the Fatihah of the Nizam  
buried within their walls.  
Oblivious of Lord Ellenborough's  
act, he would free the slaves of  
the household, man & wife up to  
their eighteenth years the slaves un-  
der that age, & attach the rest  
of that body to the tombs, external  
of Trichinopoly or Triplicane, on the  
understanding that any casualties

that may occur shall not  
be filled up. He would also  
retain all servants now attached  
to the Tombs whose service extends  
to 25 years - servants of a smaller  
period of service he wd deal  
with, as other Sircar servants  
have been dealt with - his design  
being that "the care, custody &  
superintendence (and he should  
have added, expense) shall  
gradually fall upon the Mootwallah."  
- wallahs (Treasurers) of the  
"Dargah at Trichinopoly & the  
"Mosques at Triplicane -  
The plan of nominating the slaves  
to the care of the Tombs, he added,  
will render unnecessary the  
arrangement proposed by Govt  
in E.M.C. 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. last - which,  
it will be remembered, was that  
the care of the Tombs shd be left to  
the head of the Family, whose  
allowance was to be specially  
increased, in view of the outlay  
he wd have to make.  
Finally, Sir Balfour suggested  
that the Mootwallahs of the Dargah  
& Mosques shd be put under the  
collectors of Trichinopoly &  
North Arcot, respectively.

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The reply of the Govt was as follows.

"The subject of the Tombs will  
"require separate consideration. The  
"Mootowallies etc, under no circum-  
"stances be placed under orders of the  
"Collectors. The slaves will of course be  
"freed - indeed they actually are  
"do now - and have Pensions as well  
"as those of all other servants at-  
"tached to the Tombs, regulated on  
"the same principles as those to be  
"employed by other servants. Those  
"who will still ~~be~~ be required  
"for service at the Tombs will re-  
"ceive full pay for life & have  
"vacancies not be filled up on the  
"occurrence of casualties."

5. It has appeared that the opinion  
expressed by Govt that the 'family'  
should provide the Fatchas, an extra  
allowance being made to them for  
that purpose, has been entirely lost  
sight of - & up to his house Dr. Hallgren  
has never reported what sum should be  
distributed. There is no doubt the family  
will wish the matter to be left to them,  
if means were placed at their disposal.  
The question is twofold. Establish-  
ment and Fatchas.

The Govt sanction the expenses of the  
labour as far as the Fatchas are concerned.  
on the income of the deewan, but on the  
matter of Establishment no relative or  
Official of the Govt has been

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To the Govt Agent at Chepauk - Dispt 14<sup>th</sup>

11<sup>th</sup> Nov 56

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in Dec.

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