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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 29th October 1857.

No. 38. From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 20th October 1857, No. 298 of G. A.

SIR,

With reference to the order in Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 802 of 21st September 1857, I have the honor to mention to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that the woman there alluded to is the Concubine Bagojee, whose name I have had to forward on several occasions. I have the honor to subjoin copies of previous correspondence with the Dewan of the Durbar, regarding her, and to add with reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 802, under reply, that I was correct in replying, as I did to the Collector of Chingleput, as the Agency does not interfere with Servants under the orders of the Dewan.

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk; to MADAR OOL OOMRAH, BAHADOOR, Dewan of the Durbar, dated 20th August 1857, No. 109.

SIR,

A short time since you verbally communicated, what I had before learned from other sources, the demise of Bagojee.

It has now been reported to me that her property has been sold off on the 18th and 19th Instant, and that the parties who have done so are your Son Shurf Ood Doolah Bahadoor, and Talimnud Khan; if it have any relation to my duty or yours, I suggest your reporting

(1.) The position of the deceased.
(2.) A List of her property.
(3.) Who are her Heirs.
(4.) What property has been sold.
(5.) By what Authority your son and Talimnud Khan have acted, if they have acted.

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

From MADAR OOL OOMRAH, Dewan of the Durbar; to E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Government Agent at Chepauk, dated 21st August 1857.

SIR,

I have the honor to state with reference to your letter of the 20th Instant, that the subject of the late Bagojee's Estate is in no way connected with either of our duties, she was one of the Sircar Servants and not being an exempted party it concerns the Supreme Court. As I am already

entangled in the Estate of the late Shah Savar Jung by my enterfering according to the custom of the Sircar and permitted by you, I have not in the least interfered in this matter, Shurfood Dowlah was requested by Bagojee to be the Executor, but he declined.

(Signed) مدار الامرا

MADAR OOL OOMRAH,
Dewan of the Durbar.

From MUDAR OOL OOMRAH, Dewan of the Durbar; to E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Government Agent at Chepauk, dated 1st October 1857.

Sir,

With reference to Extract from Minutes of Consultation of the 21st, and forwarded by you on the 25th Instant, I have the honor to state that Bagojee, the Hyderabad dancing girl, was one of the Servants of the late Nabob enjoying a monthly allowance of Rupees 300, of which Rupees one hundred were for her Servants, after the death of His Highness, she claimed to be His Nicka Widow but as His Highness had not to the time of His death kept her like a Nicka Wife, the Sircar Officers would not recognize her as such, she then preferred her claim to the Sircar Mahcamah where even her Nicka was not proved.

This female died, in the house belonging to Abdool Khadar, styled Talamund Khan, situated at Codumpauk, on the 24th June last. It has been learnt on enquiry that before her death she delivered her personal property in charge to the said Abdool Khadar and made a Will appointing Mahomed Abbeeboollah as her Executor, wherein she states that she has left no Heir or Heiress and that he (Mahomed Abbeeboollah) should after her death take possession of all her personal Estate, dispose of it, discharge her debts, and after deducting the expences of her interment and Fatiahs, distribute the remainder to her Servants. Accordingly Mahomed Abbeeboollah obtained a Probate at the Supreme Court and caused her Estate to be sold.

The monthly sum of 100 Rupees being the payment of the Servants under Bagojee ceased as per your letter of the 25th January 1856, and the arrears of the wages due to these Servants were adjusted with those of the other discharged men of the Sircar, agreeably to Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 25th February following, and I informed you on the 6th March 1856, of the amount of their arrears as required by Government in that Minute.

To the time of her decease Bagojee received only her personal allowance of 200 Rupees per month from the Sircar Treasury, which ceased after her demise. When the 100 Rupees granted for the payment of her Servants were discontinued, she engaged other Servants herself, paying them from her own pocket, and perhaps arrears are due to Shaik Cassim, &c., the individuals alluded to in the report of the Acting Tahsildar. If this be really the case, the parties should refer to Talaymund Khan and the Administrator above mentioned, and if they will not settle their claims they can sue them in the Court.

(Signed) مدار الامرا

MUDAR OOL OOMRAH,
Dewan of the Durbar.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

No. 39 Order thereon, No. 921; dated 28th October 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Magistrate of Chingleput, with reference to his letter of the 2nd Ultimo, No. 33.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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Fort St George,
28 October 1857.

To the Magistrate of Chingleput. Dispd. 3d Novr

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From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR,

Government Agent at Chepauk.

To

E. Maltby Esquire

Acting *Chief Secretary to Government*

Fort St. George

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Dated 20th October 1857.

Received 22 " 1857.

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Begojee whose name was forwarded on several occasions to Government.

Subjoins Copies of previous Correspondence with the Dewan of the Durbar regarding her. —

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 802 of 21st September 1857 mentions that the woman there alluded to is the Concubine Begojee

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