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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 15th February 1859.

No. 42. From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George. dated 4th February 1859, No. 255.

SIR,

I have the honor to report to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that I have not been able to induce the persons, alluded to in para: 4 of Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 633 of 30th September last, to come to an agreement. Her Highness Nabob Khyre Oon Nissa Begum insisting on delivery of her property prior to payment of arrears.

2. I have the honor to recommend that permission be given to Itebar Jung Bahadoor to draw from the Government Treasury, the Rupee 800 of Wages due to him.

3. I subjoin copy of a communication in the middle of 1857, from the Official Assignee and my reply to that functionary, by which will be seen the position of Carnatic Stipendiary, No. 1331, Shajee Ool Moolk Bahadoor is that of an Insolvent Debtor and the legal Advisers of Government had better be asked what to do in this matter.

From B. BROOKS, Esq., Official Assignee; to E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Government Agent at Chepauk and Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends, dated 6th June, No. 398 of 1857.

In the matter of the Insolvency of Shajee Ool Moolk, otherwise called Ghoolam Hoossain.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to your notice that it has been represented to me by some of the Creditors (Natives of Caubool) of the above named Insolvent that he, the Insolvent, being a Creditor of His late Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic is about to receive a sum of money due to him on account of Wages or otherwise from one of the Begums of his late Highness Mahomed Ghouse.

It has been further represented to me that the payment to be made is founded on an investigation and report made by you to the Government of Madras in connection with the Affairs of the late Nabob and that the sum in question has been found by you to be due to the Insolvent on account of Wages and payment ordered accordingly by Government.

For your information I take the liberty of stating that the principal and largest number of Creditors of the above named Insolvent are the unfortunate Merchants from Caubool and who have been and still are detained in Madras solely, as I am informed, from the Affairs of the late Nabob of the Carnatic remaining unsettled, they being indirectly as in the present instance Creditors of His late Highness.

I do not vouch for the correctness of the Creditors' Statements on the present occasion and write more by way of precaution than from a conviction of the truth of the Statements and also in the hope that if in fact monies which the Insolvent alleges to be due to him from His late Highness' Estate is forthcoming that it may be paid over to me as you are aware it must be as the Insolvent Assignee with as little delay as possible, in order that I might declare a dividend among the Creditors and which possibly might enable those of them belonging to Caubool to leave Madras for their homes. I beg also to state that notwithstanding the daily importunity of this Class of the Insolvent Creditors I have refrained troubling you till there should be something like a justification for doing so.

From E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Government Agent at Chepauk; to B. BROOKS, Esq., Official Assignee. dated 9th June 1857, No. 161 of G. A.

SIR,

I have the honor to explain, in reply to your letter, No. 398 of the 6th Instant, that the matter of arrears of Wages comes within the province of the Commissioners investigating the Debts of His Highness the late Nabob of the Carnatic, and that the Agency has not as yet received any intimation of any sums being due or to be paid to Shajeeah Ool Moolk Bahadoor as arrears, although it is probable that such are due.

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2. As the Bahadoor however was paid from the personal Allowance of Her Highness Khyre Oon Nissa Begum, it does not occur to me as likely that the Agency will have any thing to do with any amount he may have to receive, although the Merchants, Creditors, in their natural anxiety to protect their own interests, may have supposed that such would be the case.

3. I may mention that the Agency has no Treasury or Cash Chest, nor does it pay any Stipendiary, any money, but merely countersigns the Stipend Receipts of Individuals, who cash the same at the Government Treasury.

4. As you mention that you have very kindly abstained applying to me, notwithstanding the frequent requests of Creditors, I have explained as above one mode of transacting business, as it may perhaps render unnecessary any application to me.

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, No. 106; dated 15th February 1859.

Resolved, as recommended in the 2nd para: of the above letter, that the sum of Rupees (800) Eight hundred due to Itibar Jung Bahadoor on account of arrears of Wages for 1855, be disbursed to him through the Government Agent at Chepauk, who will draw the money from the Treasury and settle this claim.

2. Para: 3 of the Agent's letter and the correspondence therein referred to, will be communicated to the Government Solicitor, in view to the opinion of the Advocate General being obtained as to the course to be pursued in the matter of Shajee Ool Moolk's claim.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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*Fort St. George, 8
15 February 1859
To the Govd Agent at Chepauk.
P. 2^d Govd Solicitor.
Per T. to Govt. General,
Civil & Sub. Treasuries.*

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POLITICAL 1859 DEPARTMENT.

From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR,

Government Agent at Chepauk.

To

J. Pycroft Esquire

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Dated 4th February 1859

Received 1859

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Intimating that he was not able to induce the parties alluded to in para 4 of Circular Minutes of Consultation No 33 of 30th September last to come to an agreement, and requesting permission be given to Jahan Sing Bahadur to draw his wages from the Treasury.

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With an Order,

and subjoining copy of letter from the official assignee and his reply thereto.

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