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Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 661 Press Mis.

Dated 12 - 11 - ~~18~~ 1859

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No. 11. Read the following letter from EDWARD BALFOUR Esq., Commissioner, Investigating the Debts of His Highness the late Nabob of the Carnatic; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 9th November 1859, No. 564.

In paragraph 4 of my letter, No. 508 of 18th ultimo, when sending on for submission and sanction the first of these lists of awards of arrears of pensions, I mentioned that, on the 1st September last, in consultation with the Government Solicitor, I had affixed a notice calling upon all claimants to appear personally or by agents, within one month.

2. That notice was written in five different languages, *viz.*, English, Hindoostani, Tamil, Teloogoo, and Mahratta, in order to ensure publicity, and has not been taken down. In the lists which have been sent in, entries will be found of the words "*Excluded by failure to identify, no award*" and it is advisable that the Honorable the Governor in Council should have it on record, that a period prolonged much beyond the time given in the notice, has been allowed to the pensioners or their heirs or agents to appear for identification.

3. With this information before Government, there are two plans which it occurs to me to suggest, *viz.*

either,

To declare that, a period much beyond the time stated in the notice, having been allowed for the claimants for pension arrears to appear, the orders already issued thereon are final:

or,

That a list of all the pensioners with amounts due, for which no claimants have appeared, be transferred to the Office of the Government Agent at Chepauk, where inquiry into any further appearances may be instituted.

4. The principal causes of non-appearances seem to be the demise of pensioners without heirs, or their disappearances or absence from Madras.

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, 12th November 1859, No. 661.

Resolved that as nearly two months have elapsed in excess of the period for which notice was given by the Commissioner, the lists of pension arrears be closed, and that no further claims be attended to, unless where the non-attendance of the parties may be satisfactorily accounted for on the ground of sickness, absence from Madras, or other strong cause—reports of which cases may be specially made from time to time by the Government Agent.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. W. J. Boyton.

without heirs or their disappearances or absence from Madras.

I have the honor to be
Sir!
Your most obedient Servant

Commissioners Office
9th November 1859

Order thereon 12th November 1859. No. 661.

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From C. Balfour Esq re
Commissioner Jam.

C. Bycroft Esq
Chief Secty to Government
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No. 876

Submits that certain Prisoners or heirs have not appeared and suggests either to Consider the Orders already issued as final or transfer a list of the Absentees to the office of the Government Agent at Chepauk

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