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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Political **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 610 Press ~~Mis.~~

Dated 13 - 10 — ~~19~~ 1860

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No. 38. Read the following letter from Surgeon Major EDWARD G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk, and Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 6th October 1860, No. 1,299.

Under the Order of Government as per margin* a stipend of Rupees 42-0-0 per mensem was granted to Iftakhar ud Dowlah Bahadur.

* *Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 57, dated 19th January* 1859.

2. As this stipendiary has never drawn that pension, under the rule by which stipends lapse if left undrawn for two years, his name was struck from our books on the 1st September 1860.

3. I have sent messages to him, and have written, to make himself and his family comfortable with his allowance: but he has never drawn it and when he re-appeared at the Agency at the end of last week, he was suffering from ill health, feeble in body, and in a state of mental ill health, a state in which his father also was, long before his demise.

4. A letter which he gave at the Agency induced me to make enquiries as to his circumstances and it was with regret I learned that he was in great distress.

5. I immediately wrote to his elder brother Raheem Oollah Khan Bahadur, earnestly begging his attention to his brother, but up to this time he has not replied to me, nor has he visited his sick and pinched brother, although I drew Raheem Oollah Khan's attention to the circumstance, that only a short time before this, he had assured me that his brother was well to do.

6. The letter which Iftakhar ud Dowlah Bahadur gave me on Saturday last was followed by another yesterday; and, as in both of them he had asked charity of me, I visited him at his dwelling, and found it and its occupants in a very miserable condition, with every sign of want of means.

7. I regret to add that all my efforts failed to induce him to say that he would ever accept his pension in its present form; but if the Honorable the Governor in Council think it not advisable to allow him to remain longer in this distressed state, I have the honor to recommend that permission may be given to re-enter his name in our records, and to re-issue the stipend in the name of his elder wife or the eldest of his sons now residing with him, until he himself be disposed to draw his own stipend in his own name.

8. I have the honor to recommend this, because, I think it very desirable that no one of these people should ever, though from their own acts, be allowed to remain in actual want.

No. 39. ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1860, No. 610.

Under the circumstances represented and agreeably to the Agent's recommendation, the Government authorize the monthly stipend of 42 Rupees granted to Iftakhar ud Dowlah Bahadur being re-entered in the books of the Agency and issued in the name of his elder wife, until such time as he himself may be disposed to draw it in his own name.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Order thereon. 13 October 1860. No 610.

Under the circumstances represented and agreeably to the Agent's recommendation, the Govt authorise the monthly stipend of 62 Rupees granted to Iftakhar and Dadah Bahadur Beings re-entered in the Books of the Agency and issued in the name of his elder wife until such time as he himself may be disposed to draw it in his own name.

Iftakhar Govt Agent at Chepauk
Asstt General
Civil Auditor