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PROCEEDINGS, POLITICAL DEPARTMENT, FROM 21ST TO 29TH FEBRUARY 1860.

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1	Assistant Government Agent at Chepauk.	27th January	In forwarding a Petition from the son of the late Itebar Jung Bahadoor, praying that the permission to sue Kyree Oon Nissa Begum for the debts due to his late father, may be extended to those due to himself, amounting to Rupees 8,000, reports that the warnings of Government have not had the slightest effect on Her Highness, and that he sees no probability of any arrangement being made to satisfy her numerous creditors without the intervention of Government. Recommends Government to adopt such measures as may be best calculated to protect Her Highness from imposition at the hands of her servants, &c.
2	Order thereon	21st February	Consent to Meer Gholam Moheuddin Hussain sueing Her Highness for the amount due to himself, and will grant similar permission to any other of her creditors who may apply and show good cause. Resolve to communicate to Her Highness the regret and displeasure of Government at her conduct and to insist upon her maintaining the dependants of the late Nabob's mother.
3	Proceedings of Government.	21st do	The Commissioner of Tanjore directed to proceed with the cataloguing and valuation of the late Raja's jewels, ornaments, &c., and to ascertain the nature and extent of his debts. A list of the palaces, houses and other buildings, showing their values, &c., called for.
4	Minute by the President, Vallum.	17th January	Records the substance of his communications with the Raja's daughter, the Ranis, and Sakha Ram Sahib. Having carefully reviewed the decision of Government, sees no reason to doubt its correctness. Agrees that the rights of Government should be exercised with the liberal consideration to the members of the late Raja's family, and states his views as to the course to be followed in the distribution and disposal of the property left by the Raja.
5	Minute by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.	22nd do	Is of opinion that the Regalia is the only portion of the Tanjore property which should be retained by Government, and that the estimated value of the villages, lands and gardens, &c., &c., should be made over to the Raja's family, in proportions according to Hindu law; and that the Raja's debts should be liquidated out of the monies accruing from Tanjore sources. Remarks that the rule in case of Nagpore must apply to Tanjore, both Rajahs having demised without making any formal adoption.
6	Minute by the Honorable W. A. Morehead.	25th do	Reviews the proceedings of Government and adheres to his opinion on the subject of the sequestration of the Raj. Suggests that the Proceedings of the 5th December 1859, &c., be forwarded to the Supreme Government for final disposal.

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7	Minute by the Honorable E. Maltby.	30th January	With regard to the Regalia, &c., records opinion in accordance with the Commander-in-Chief, and, if all the personal property is delivered over to the family, believes that amicable arrangements might be made with the members.
8	Minute by the President, Rángayam.	9th do ...	Reiterates his opinion, and proposes that proceedings be reported to the Government of India and the Secretary of State.
9	Minute by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.	.....	Remarks that there is nothing in the President's last Minute to induce him to change his views.
10	Minute by the Honorable W. A. Morehead.	16th Feby.....	Views the abolition of the Tanjore Raj as an arbitrary act of State, and is still of opinion that the adoption of the line of policy towards the heirs of the late Raja, advised in a former Minute, is expedient, &c.
11	Minute by the Honorable E. Maltby.	18th do.....	Observes that the subject of the Princess' marriage and the disposal of the Raja's personal property call for no further remark from him, and abstains from adding to the discussion regarding the Tanjore Raj.
12	Order thereon.....	23rd do.....	A letter despatched to the Secretary of State for India.
13	Resident of Travancore and Cochin (Telegram.)	24th do.....	Reports that the Rajah of Cochin has selected as his Dewan, Shangoony Menoves, Deputy Collector, Tinnevelly.
14	Order thereon.....	24th do.....	A Telegram despatched to the Resident approving the selection, and communicated to the Board of Revenue.
15	Fatemah Begum, widow of the late Raza Hoossain Khan, a Carnatic Stipendiary.	3rd do.....	Submits, for transmission, a Memorial addressed to the Secretary of State for India, praying for the payment of the arrears of her pension from 16th September 1858 to 4th January 1859.
16	Order thereon.....	24th do.....	Forwarded accordingly, together with copy of Order passed in the Petition Department, No. 1336 of 1859.
17	The Officer in charge of the Chepauk Agency.	21st do.....	Requests that the Collector of North Arcot may be instructed to issue pay to several Carnatic Stipendiaries transferred to Vellore, the Sub-Collector not having paid them for 2 months, giving "want of information as to identity" as his reason, notwithstanding the usual Descriptive Rolls were duly forwarded to the authorities there.
18	Order thereon.....	24th do.....	Forwarded to the Collector for explanation.
19	To the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.	25th do.....	Report proceedings in connection with Tanjore affairs, and solicit the Supreme Government's confirmation to the scale of pensions as fixed by Mr. Phillips in the Schedules annexed to his letter of 8th June 1857 and modified in a few instances by Proceedings, 5th December 1859, as also to the grant of Rupees 35,000 advanced for defraying the expenses of the marriage of the Raja's daughter. Forwards copies of the various Reports, Orders and Minutes recorded on the several subjects referred to.
20	Commissioner of Tanjore...	15th do.....	Reports that the daughter of the late Raja was married to Sakárám Sáhib on the 10th.
21	Order thereon.....	25th do.....	Recorded.
22	Proceedings of Government.	25th do.....	Call upon the Government Agent at Tanjore to report what has been done in pursuance of Order, 24th April 1857, No. 317, paragraph 7, and whether it has been notified to the Tanjore Pensioners that their pensions can be commuted for a gratuity.
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23	Proceedings of Government, Revenue Department.	13th February	Communicating proceedings of the Board of Revenue requesting to know whether the Order exempting a consignment from duty, refers merely to that about which the Resident of Travancore wrote, or to all similar cases.
24	Order thereon.....	25th do.....	Referred to the Resident.
25	Proceedings of Government.	27th do.....	Request the Magistrate of Tanjore to explain under what circumstances he applied for the services of the 13th Regiment N. I. on the occasion of the Princess' marriage, how long it was detained, and why no report was made to Government.
26	Receiver of the Carnatic Property.	21th do.....	Requests the payment to him of Rupees 15,000 to enable him to comply with the Supreme Court's Orders to pay the sum due to certain claimants from the Estate of the late Nabob.
27	Order thereon.....	27th do. ...	Sanctioned.
28	Commissioner of Tanjore.....	18th do. ...	Requests to be informed of the wishes of Government in respect to the disposal of certain fowling pieces and pistols deposited in the Yasvant Mahal.
29	Order thereon.....	27th do.	Direct the Commissioner to retain them at Tanjore until further orders.
30	J. B. Norton, Esq., Agent of the Tanjore Ranees.	22nd do. ...	Forwards a Protest signed by his clients against the Proceedings of Government, 5th December 1859, No. 705
31	Order thereon.....	27th do. ...	Recorded.
32	Minute by the President, Utacamund.	20th do. ...	Lays before the Board copy of letter from the Commissioner at Tanjore relating to the marriage of the late Raja's daughter, and remarks it will be apparent, from certain facts stated, that the widowed Ranees were not the Princess' natural guardians, &c.
33	Minute by the Honorable W. A. Morehead.	25th do. ...	Is unable to discover any sufficient reason for the President's assumption, and considers that the opposition of the Ranees to the marriage is fairly attributable to their knowledge that it had been forbidden by the late Rajah. Notices that the Commissioner has omitted to mention the detention of the 13th Regiment at Tanjore during the celebration of the marriage, &c.
34	Minute by the Honorable E. Maltby.	25th do. ...	Expresses surprize at the imperfect information laid before Government, and especially at the omission noticed by Mr. Morehead.
35	Order thereon.....	28th do.	The Minutes forwarded to the Secretary of State for India.
36	Resident of Travancore and Cochin.	16th do. ...	Forwards a Bill on the Accountant General for Rupees 24, being amount of postage recovered on Government replies to Petitions.
37	Order thereon.....	28th do. ...	The Bill forwarded to the Accountant General in view to the sum being credited to the proper head.
37 A	From H. E. Sir C. E. Trevelyan, K. C. B., to H. H. the Rajah of Travancore.	28th do. ...	Informs him that a package containing an enamelled Watch set in a jewelled sword belt, and a letter received from the Secretary of State for India, will be presented to him by the Resident, &c.
38	Officer in charge of the Chepauk Agency.	25th do. ...	Transmits letter from the Dewan, requesting that Rupees 273 may be placed at his disposal for the payment of Carnatic Servants, &c., for February.
39	Order thereon	29th do. ...	Authorized.

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40	Resident of Travancore and Cochin.	14th Feby.	Forwards 3 Passports submitted by the Vicar Apostolic of Malabar, requesting permission for 2 Missionaries to reside in Travancore and Cochin.
41	Order thereon.....	29th do.	...See no objection.
42	Resident of Travancore and Cochin.	16th do.	...Transmits letter from H. H. the Rajah of Cochin, tendering thanks for the selection of Mr. F. N. Maltby to be Resident in his State.
43	Order thereon.....	29th do.	... Recorded.