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No. 12. Read the folllowing letter from CLEMENT DALE, Esq., Receiver of the Carnatic Property; to THOMAS PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 21st June 1861, No. 98.

Paragraph 1. With reference to the letters and Proceedings of Government noted in the margin, I have the honor to enclose, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, a copy of a letter from the Official Assignee of the Court for relief of Insolvent Debtors to my address under date the 18th instant No. 255, from which it will be observed, the Official Assignee states, that the gifts by the late Nabob to his (the Official Assignee's) Insolvent Ghoolam Mahmood of the properties at Arcot and Trichinopoly, had been *ratified by Government* in Hijri 1261.

Letter from the Receiver of the Carnatic Property, to Chief Secretary to Government, 16th April 1860, No. 78.
Proceedings of Government, 23rd April 1861, No. 257, Political Department.
Letter from the Receiver of the Carnatic Property, to Chief Secretary to Government, 21st December 1860, No. 255.
Proceedings of Government, 3rd January 1861, No. 2, Political Department.
Proceedings of Government, 4th February 1861, No. 77, Political Department.

2. Mr. Brooks, in his letter refers to an interview with me the previous day on the subject of a statement of the facts, which I have prepared as instructions for the special case which it is proposed to lay before the Supreme Court; at that interview I did not understand Mr. Brooks to say that Government had ratified the two documents signed by the late Nabob in the name of the Insolvent Ghoolam Mahmood, but I understood him merely to say that Government had sanctioned the alienation by the late Nabob of Circar Property to other individuals; indeed the letter from Mr. Brooks was the first intimation I had received, that it was ever surmised that Government had in any manner sanctioned the transaction with the Insolvent.

3. I have informed Mr. Brooks that in my opinion Government had no power to ratify the transaction, and that if they have done so, their act will not alter the position of the parties.

4. It is however essential that both parties should know exactly what has been done, I therefore have the honor to solicit that a search may be made amongst the records of Government for the purpose of ascertaining whether any communications passed between the Nabob and Government on the occasion of his signing the two documents under which Mr. Brooks claim—sand if so, that I may be furnished with copies.

5. I send herewith copies of Translations of the several documents held by Mr. Brooks; but to save you the trouble of perusing the whole of those papers I will state, that on the 30th April 1845 (22nd Rabeeoos Sany, 1261) the Nabob wrote, and signed the document set out in pages 1 and 2 of the bundle marked "Arcot," whereby he purported to convey to Ghoolam Mahmood a Garden near Arcot called "the Ali Baug" and some land at Arcot outside the hedge of the Unwar Baug. The remaining documents, set out in that bundle, are orders, &c., to the several Officers of the Nabob, directing the manner in which the rent of those premises should be disposed of.

6. And on the 4th June 1845 (28th Jamady Ool Oola 1261) the Nabob in a similar manner purported to convey to Ghoolam Mahmood a Garden near Trichinopoly called "the Ameer Baug;" the document is set out in pages 1 and 2 of the bundle endorsed "Trichinopoly;" and the remaining documents set out in that bundle are of a similar character to those mentioned in paragraph 5.

7. If any correspondence did really take place I presume it must have been about those dates.

8. I have the honor to request that the two bundles may be returned to me when no longer required by you.

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No. 13. ORDER THEREON, 5th July 1861, No. 305.

As desired by the Receiver of the Carnatic Property, careful search has been made among the records of the years 1845 and 1846 for the correspondence said to have passed between the late Nawab of the Carnatic and the Government on the occasion of the former signing the two documents under which the Official Assignee of the Insolvent Court claims certain properties at Arcot and Trichinopoly as gifts by the late Nawab to the Insolvent Ghoolam Mahmood; but no communications on the subject can be traced. As however, any correspondence respecting the assignment of the gardens in question, if it did really take place, must have passed through the Government Agent at Chepauk; a reference will be made to that Officer, and he will be requested to cause the records of his Office to be searched and to furnish the Receiver with copies of any communications that may be found relating to the matter.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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Dated 5th July 1847

The Records for 1845/46 have been carefully searched - and no correspondence could be traced regarding the Gardens at Arcot and Trichinopoly said to have been made over to Ghoolam Mahomood by the late Nabob.

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