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No. 116. Read the following letter from G. N. TAYLOR, Esq., Inám Commissioner, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated 12th January 1861, No. 2.

I have the honor to forward for the perusal of Government copy of a letter addressed to me by T. Dharmarayan Mudaliar, a Deputy Collector in this Commission, soliciting instructions as to the disposal of a Shawl, valued at between 50 and 60 Rupees, presented to him by Prince Azim Jah the Uncle of the late Nabob of the Carnatic, on the occasion of Dharmarayan's recent visit to that personage for the purpose of demanding the arrears of a debt due by the Durbár to his father.

2. The return of the Shawl would perhaps be considered a greater breach of Durbár etiquette than the refusal to accept it in the first instance. The gift seems to have been simply a customary one; but the Deputy Collector has very properly reported the matter. I see no objection to permission being granted to the Deputy Collector to dispose of the Shawl in the manner he thinks best, and I beg to be favored with the Orders of Government on the subject.

From T. DARMARAYA MOODELLIAR, Deputy Collector, Inám Commission, to G. N. TAYLOR, Esq., Inám Commissioner, Palmanér, dated 27th December 1860, No. 126.

I beg to inform you that on a recent visit to the Prince Aji Jah, Uncle of the late His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic, for the purpose of making a demand for arrears of pay due by that Durbar to my father, who had been a servant of the Nabob, a presentation of a Nazzar and a Shawl, in accordance with the Eastern practice and usage, took place, entirely unexpected by me. Whether this presentation was intended as a return for the debt, or simply an honor of the Durbar I know not, perhaps it might probably be the latter. I was not however allowed to make mention of the debt, because it was said, it would not please the Prince to speak about it on the very first visit and might not effect eventual success.

2. But however the object of this my present communication is that, as I am a servant of Government, I consider that I cannot appropriate the present to my own use, and having been told, it would be thought derogatory to that high personage to refuse it at the time or return it afterwards, I submit that its value be carried to the credit of Government. According to some the estimated value varies from 50 to 60, Rupees, perhaps it might attain a higher value in a year and a locality more favorable than this. I shall be most happy at once to forward it for your inspection if permitted.

3. While I am of an opinion that such property should be credited to Government, I would beg to suggest as I have already said to you, that the value be, on the approval of Government, expended towards educational purposes, in granting a prize for the best Essay written on an important subject to be hereafter proposed, in such neglected but self-supporting Institutions as the Rajahmandri village schools, where it will prove a remarkable stimulus and an encouragement for education. This little fund, in my humble opinion, could actually add as much to the present financial condition of the State as a drop of water does to the sea.

4. Should you see grounds to concur with me, I would thank you to support my suggestion with your recommendation.

No. 117. ORDER THEREON, 25th January 1861, No. 62.

The Government agree with the Inám Commissioner that under the circumstances explained, there is no objection to the Deputy Collector T. Dharmarayan disposing of the Shawl presented to him by His Highness Prince Azim Jah Bahadoor, in any manner which he may think best.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,  
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

W. L. Taylor  
Inam Commissioner

Order of 26 January 1861. No. 62.

Will The Government agree with the Inam  
Commissioner that under the circumstances  
- it can be explained that there is no  
objection to the Deputy Collector

J. Darnall, upon his report of the  
stake presented to him by H. H.

2/11 Prince Rajah Bahadur, in  
any manner which he may  
think best

Inam Commissioner Des. No. 28-1-61.