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No. 21. Read the following letter from Major P. T. SNOW, Assistant Government Agent at Chepauk, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 17th September 1859, No. 1,450.

I have the honor to forward, to His Excellency the Governor in Council, an original letter,* to my address, from Madar-Ool-Oomrah Bahadoor, Dewan of the Durbar of His late Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic.

* *Requested to be returned.*

From MADAR-OOL-OOMRAH, Dewan of the Durbar, to Major P. T. SNOW, Assistant Government Agent at Chepauk, dated Madras, 15th September 1859.

It is a fact too familiar to many in this city that from the moment I received orders for carrying out the several arrangements consequent on the abolition of the Carnatic Musnud, the inhabitants of the place and more particularly those in Triplicane cherished an inveterate rancour against me and sought divers means of revenging themselves for an imaginary wrong which, judging from my close connection with the Honorable Government, they thought that I had done. They used indecent languages towards me, continually treated me in a very uncivil manner, pelted me with stones and in fact rendered my position in life so uncomfortable that it was with difficulty that I could have moved about in the discharge of those duties which the Government expected I should faithfully perform. To prove these assertions I need not bring forward a long list of witnesses; the name of Government Agent E. G. Balfour, who will bear in mind the several indignities to which I was exposed, will convince Government of the truth here enumerated. The hatred and enmity the people entertained towards me not having as yet been removed, place the members of my family, who lived so long in honor and respectability, in a sad condition and they are consequently deprived of the means of procuring livelihood by trade, &c.

Secondly, I may remark that it is about 2½ years since I was pensioned and during all this time strictly confined myself in conducting the affairs of the Durbar and of the Honorable Government. I have discharged these duties as faithfully as ever without being led at any moment to claim a separate allowance for the performance of those duties. You are aware that there are several servants of the Circar who while they are left in the undisturbed enjoyment of the pensions due to their merits receive in addition separate salaries for transacting the business relating to the affairs of the Durbar. These men who are under my control are doubly remunerated for their work while the same privilege has not been extended to me.

I must also draw your attention to the fact that the members of my family were once employed under the Cirkar in high ranks and drew handsome allowances respectively, but unfortunately save Moostoufee-ood-Dowlah all of them are left unprovided for in consequence of the period of their services being short, though most of them did not deserve to be discharged on account of their allowances not being similar to those of the newly employed servants. His late Highness deducted 400 Rupees out of my allowance of 1,000 Rupees and continued the ormer sum in their names favoring me with Rupees 600 only per month.

Sir, my object in bringing these matters to your recollection at the present time is to enable you in consideration of the several disadvantages I now labour for the future distresses of my family, to submit the request I now propose making for the favorable decision of Government. The Honorable Government has only conferred on me a full pension a favor which has also been granted to the other servants of the Circar whose duties were not so responsible and difficult as mine are, and these are the very parties that were serving under me in the same Office. Unfortunately for me the Government have overlooked the fact of my holding the superior appointment of the Dewan of the Durbar and of my ancestors and myself have and are passing the days in honor and in good will towards the Circar of His late Highness and the Honorable Government. But now that I came forward with a statement of my case I trust that His Excel-

lency the Governor in Council will see the justice of bestowing upon me some peculiar mark of distinction by being so kind as to take the foregoing particulars into His favorable consideration and order the continuance of the pension now granted to me for three lives like other Carnatic Jaghardars. I fully trust that Government will not consider this my solicitation as unreasonable, and in the event of their being precluded of granting the favor I now ask, I beg that my representation may be submitted with due recommendation for the Orders of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for India in Council, and in doing so, I beg that the Government in England may be assured that I am and will ever be the well-wisher of the Honorable Government, that I was the confidential and favorite Dewan of His late Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic, that there has been no appointment equal to that of mine in connection with the Carnatic Musnud, and that even the Honorable Government during the administration of the Right Honorable Sir H. Pottinger, has honored me with salutes due to my position both on my embarking for Mecca and on my returning from the Fort Saint George.

Finally I beg that you will be so kind as to forward this application with your recommendation to the notice of the Honorable Government and obtain for me a favorable endorsement as early as praticable.

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 11th February 1861, No. 90.

Resolved that the Dewan Madar Ool Oomrah Bahadoor be informed, through the Government Agent at Chepauk, in reply to his memorial of the 15th September 1859, that the Honorable the Court of Directors* have expressly ordered that the salaries of the principal officers of His Highness the late Nawaub be continued for *their lives*. Under these circumstances the Government regret that they cannot entertain his application that his pension may be continued for three generations.

**Despatch to Government of India, 19th March 1856, Political Department, No. 15, P. 10.*

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

The Government Agent Employed all the Mootsady of the Nabobs Crear in his Offices, and gives them pension and also wages for their work, and although the Dewan Saheb is still doing duty yet he gets only a pension without any wages.

It is best known to Government whatever the Advocate General has written in favor of the Dewan Saib who from the time of the death of the Nabob upto this day is attending the orders of Government, Consequently the Mussulman Community are Enemies, at the same time there are many persons who were under us, who are blest with pensions by Excluding the Chief Officers whereas the lowest class people were considered Chief Officers with full pension, and the other people who were under us are blest with half pension, and Nothing was done to us although we are persons of Dignity, we are therefore quite grieved,—

The Dewan Saib, had on the 15th Sept: 1859, written to Government in the time of Major Snow, the then Assistant Government Agent, on the Subject of his Children and was not replied, on which account he could not Repeat his address, you will be pleased to have a reference of this letter & to confer with a pension upon the four Sons of the Dewan Saib before your Embarkation for London, for which they will offer up their prayers for your Longivity.

As I cannot speak English I therefore submit these few lines for your Kind Consideration.

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Read the following letter from the Government Agent at Chepauk.

Received 17th Sept. 1859 No. 1450

Order thereon 11th February 1861. No. 90.

Resolved that the Dowan Madar. Col. Comrah Bahadoor be informed, thro' the Govt. Agent at Chepauk, in reply to his Memorial of the 15th Sept. 1859, that the Honorable the Court of Directors have expressly ordered that the salaries of the Principal Officers of H. H. the late Nawaub be continued for their lives. Under these circumstances the Govt. regret that they cannot entertain his application that his Pension may be continued for three generations.

* Despatch to Govt. of India 19th March 1856 Political Department No. 15 - P. 10.

To, The Govt. Agt. at Chepauk with original enclosure returned. Desp. 11-2-61. this office

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Madava Rao Comrahs Bahadur thro' the Chepauk Agent that for reasons stated Govt regret that they cannot entertain his application that his Pension may be continued for three generations.

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