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No. 27. Read the following letter from CLEMENT DALE, Esq., Receiver of the Carnatic Property, to THOMAS PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 31st January 1861, No. 27.

Paragraph 1. In continuation of the letter I addressed to you under the date and number noted in the margin, I now do myself the honor of enclosing for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, a copy of a letter from the Dewan of the Carnatic Durbar, to the address of the Government Agent at Chepauk, dated so far back as the 1st of October 1860, but forwarded to me by the Government Agent in his letter, dated the 29th January 1861, No. 101.

2. It will be observed, that in his letter the Dewan affords much of the information which I have been so long seeking to obtain, and if that Gentleman's letter had been forwarded to me on its receipt, and had not been detained nearly 4 months on the table of the Government Agent, much trouble might have been spared to myself and Government, to say nothing of the annoyance and delay which its detention has caused; for with that information before me I need not have asked the Government to make the search to the extent I was compelled to do in my letter noted above, and I entertain little doubt, but that I should have been enabled 'ere this to have settled the question raised by the Official Assignee.

3. From the Dewan's letter it will be observed that the enquiries embodied in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th paragraphs of my letter to the Government Agent of the 17th of September 1860, No. 163, are answered; to that extent therefore, further search amongst the records of the Government Office need not be prosecuted; if however any information on that point has been elicited by the search made to the present time, I should wish to have it laid before me.

4. I have requested the Government Agent to have all the Dufers which relate to the properties in question looked out and arranged in chronological order, with marks placed in the different pages that contain the entries relating to those properties; and so soon as I hear that this has been done, I purpose attending at the Government Agent's Office and making the search myself, which I apprehend need not occupy more than a very short time, that is if efficient and zealous Officers are placed under my orders.

5. Referring to the 6th, 7th, and 8th paragraphs of my letter to the Government Agent of the 17th September 1860, and the 10th paragraph of my letter to your address noted above, and looking at the 2nd paragraph of the Dewan's letter, it will be observed the Dewan states that in February 1802, the Honorable Company restored to the Nabob Azeem-ud-Dowlah, the Gardens at Trichinopoly, and in June 1802, the gardens at Arcot; while in the 7th paragraph the Dewan refers to a letter from Lord Clive, dated the 12th June 1802, as the authority under which the Officers of the Honorable Company restored those gardens; you will observe the Dewan's argument on the subject. It is however quite evident, that if the Palace and Gardens at Trichinopoly were really restored in February 1802, such restoration could not have taken place under the authority of a letter, dated in June of that year; I entertain little doubt however that among the records of Government will be found orders for the restoration of all the gardens referred to.

From MADAR-OOL-OOMRAH, Dewan of the Durbar, to E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Government Agent at Chepauk, dated 1st October 1860.

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 20th September 1860, giving cover to a copy of letter from the Receiver of the Carnatic Property.

2. With reference to the letter of the Receiver of the Carnatic Property, I have to inform you for the information of that Officer, that after the year 1785 and before 1801 the Honorable Company had no District in their possession, but their own Jagir, and in 1801 when the whole Carnatic came, according to the terms of Treaty, under the possession of the Honorable Company, they restored to Nabob Azeem-ud-Dowlah Bahadoor, the gardens situated at Trichinopoly in February, and the gardens lying at Arcot in June 1802, which have been in the possession

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of the Sirkar up to the death of Nabob Gholam Mahomed Ghouse Khan Bahadoor. His late Highness had granted to Gholam Mahomed as an Inam a garden called Ameer Bagh, situated at Trichinopoly and a garden named Ali Bagh situated at Arcot together with a piece of land lying without the hedge of Anvar Bagh, and although a Parwanah was granted to him making over the same, yet the said gardens were never put in his possession, nor they were separated by Order of His Highness from the count current of the Sirkar; moreover, the revenue thereof was according to the Order received annually on my own receipt, and paid to the said Gholam Mahomed up to 1854, which payment I afterwards discontinued by Order of Government. The two true copies of the two last receipts given by the said Gholam Mahomed, are herewith enclosed with their translations, as requested by the Receiver.

3. The revenue that was subsequently collected was, in consequence of the insufficiency of the produce of the gardens applied towards paying the wages of the Sirkar servants attached to the gardens, and was not carried to the account of the Sirkar.

4. I recollect that, previous to the grant of the said gardens, to Gholam Mahomed, the late Nabob ascertained from the then Government Agent, whether he could make such grant of the Sirkar property to any one? which letter with its reply may be found in the records of Government Agent, and the English Department of the Sirkar.

5. The gardens in question were restored by Government to Nabob, and granted by him as Inam to Gholam Mahomed, but they were never put in possession of the said party, while it is so, the English Regulation and Rules applicable to such property, may be applied in this case also.

6. Nazim ud Dowlah was actually invested with power referred to in the letter of the Receiver, by His late Highness, a reference to the records of the Persian Department now in your charge, will prove this point.

7. Almost all the gardens situated at Arcot were restored to His Highness the Nabob Azim ud Dowlah, as per a letter from Lord Clive, dated 12th June 1802, and if the letter were for the restoration of only Nowlakha Garden, the Collector of that District would not have delivered over the possession of the other gardens to the Nabob, this fact can be proved to the satisfaction of the Receiver of the Carnatic Property, if a true copy of the said letter now on the records of the Government, together with a true copy of the orders issued in connection with the gardens at Trichinopoly be obtained and perused.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 12th February 1861, No. 93.

Resolved that a copy of the above letter and its enclosure be furnished to the Government Agent, and that he be desired to explain the cause of the delay that occurred in his forwarding to the Receiver of the Carnatic Property the letter of the Dewan under date the 1st October last.

2. Doctor Balfour will afford the Receiver the assistance specified in paragraph 4 of his letter.

3. It is observed that the further papers required by the Receiver of the Carnatic Property have been furnished to him with the Order of Government dated 4th Instant.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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