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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department,
4th December 1862.*

No. 17. Read the following letter from J. FRASER, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot; to the Honorable T. PYCROFT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Chittoor, 30th October 1862, No. 46.

I have the honor with reference to the Order of Government, dated 18th September 1862, to submit copy of a letter* from the Sub-Collector in charge of the
*Dated 15th October 1862, No. 140. Stipend Pay Office reporting on the matter adverted to in the Memorandum from Mahomed Baig. The Government will observe that for the reasons therein given Mahomed Baig's request is inadmissible.

2. I quite concur in the views expressed in the concluding para. of Mr. Blair's letter, and beg accordingly to recommend that the allowances in question be resumed on the death of the parties to whom they are now paid.

From W. T. BLAIR, Esq., Sub-Collector of North Arcot in charge of Stipend Pay Office; to J. FRASER, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, Chittoor, dated Vellore, 15th October 1862, No. 146.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 6th instant, No. 139, giving cover to a copy of Proceedings of Government dated 18th ultimo, forwarded to me for report.

2. In reply I beg to state that in a letter from Brigadier White, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated the 27th December 1859, No. 337, it was recommended that out of 100 Rupees a month allowed by Government for servants and Fatiahs on account of the late Padshaw Begum, one half of Rupees 50 might be paid to the petitioner Mahomed Baig for the Fatiahs of the late Fatmah Khanum Begum which the Government declined to comply with. Copy of the Order of Government passed in their Proceedings, dated 13th January 1860, No. 25, is herein enclosed, marked A.

3. With regard to Petitioner's requests that either a moiety of the 20 Pagodas lately enjoyed by Shahunshaw Pasundy Begum, a Nickah wife of Tippoo Sultan, may be granted to him for the Fatiahs of Fatmah Khanum Begum, or that the garden in which are the Tombs of Buckshee Begum and Fatmah Khanum Begum may be made over to him, I beg to state that the 20 Pagodas or Rupees 70 alluded to by Petitioner was not enjoyed by Shahunshaw Pasundy Begum as a personal allowance, but was paid to her for the Fatiahs of deceased Begums in Hyder's Mahal, of whom Fatmah Khanum Begum is one, and that since the death of Shahunshaw Pasundy Begum, which took place on the 26th August last, this money has been paid to Rahamatounissah Begum, also a Nickah wife of Tippoo Sultan. This amount as well as another sum of Rupees 94-9 which is paid for the Fatiahs of deceased Begums in Tippoo's Mahal was sanctioned by the Committee in 1834, and is not liable to deductions on account of deaths, vide copy of Brigadier Napier's letter to the Secretary to Government, Political Department, dated 7th July 1841, No. 244, and the reply thereto herein enclosed, and marked B.

4. The gardens in which are the Tombs of Buckshee Begum and Fatmah Khanum Begum alluded to by Petitioner is a Portion of Inam land of 11 Cawnies allowed by Government for the burial of Tippoo's family, and was in charge of Moonanur Begum daughter-in-law of Tippoo Sultan who died on the 26th December 1860. This land having been enfranchised by the Inam Commissioner was made over by me with the full consent of the principal Begums in the Mahals to Syed Fuzzooloolah Khadery, who had been selected by the late Moonanur Begum for the management of the Tombs and the performance of the Fatiahs of Buckshee Begum. He is a man of the highest respectability, and discharges these duties to the entire satisfaction of the Begums in the Mahals. Petitioner has no claim whatever to the management of these Tomb lands.

5. Copies of the correspondence noted in the margin of the Proceedings of Government received with your letter under acknowledgment are herewith forwarded.

6. In conclusion I would beg to state that I am perfectly satisfied that the sums paid in the Mahals on account of Fatiahs and Moordahs, amounting in all to Rupees 197-9 monthly are not altogether, or indeed mainly, devoted to the purposes for which they were intended, but that

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the greater part of the money is given away by the Begums to their adopted children and others residing in the Town of Vellore. I would therefore suggest for the consideration of Government, whether, with reference to the views expressed by the late Honorable the Court of Directors in their Despatch, dated 30th April, No. 3 of 1856, it might not be desirable to discontinue these allowances, if not at once at all events on the death of the parties to whom they are now paid.
(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. FRASER,
Acting Collector.

No. 18.

ORDER THEREON, 4th December 1862, No. 485.

It appears from the Sub-Collector's letter that the statement made in the Memorandum of Mahomed Baig, recorded in the Proceedings of Government under date the 18th September last, to the effect that no provision is made for the performance of the ceremonies of Fatmah Khanum, wife of Hyder Ally, is incorrect. The ceremonies of the deceased lady are provided for out of the allowance of Rupees 70 to which the Petitioner alludes as having been drawn by Shahunshaw Pasundy Begum and which on her death was transferred to Rahamatounissah Begum, a Nickah wife of Tippoo Sultan.

2. In reference to the recommendation submitted in the 2nd para. of the foregoing letter, it is observed that in the order communicating to the Officer in charge of the Stipend Pay Office at Vellore the views of the late Honorable the Court of Directors on the subject of the grants referred to, that Officer was especially directed to submit to Government the question of their resumption on the demise of the parties in whose names they were continued. The Sub-Collector will adopt this course on the death of the parties to whom the allowances are now paid, suspending further payments until the receipt of the orders of Government upon his reference.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. McMurry.

Political Department.

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(Dated 30th October 1862 N^o 46)

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Ex. Min. of Consultation
9th July, 1856. No 199 para 31.

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To Collector of
North Arcot, 27 July 56.

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