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Political DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department, 26th February 1862.

No. 66 Read the following letter from W. M. CADELL, Esq., Government Agent at Tanjore; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Vellam, 31st January 1862, No. 27.

Paragraph 1. As directed in the Order of Government, dated the 11th October last, No. 446, I have the honor to submit the following report on the petition addressed to the Right Honorable the Governor General by one Mahadeiva Row Sinde, formerly a Havildar attached to the Establishment of His late Highness the Rajah of Tanjore.

2. From the records of the Palace, it appears that, in the year 1846, several parties among the dependants of the Rajah, including this Petitioner were sent to Benares at the Rajah's expense, and that on their return in 1848 each presented some article of curiosity, as a Nazur to His Highness, and received, in return, a reward in money varying of course, according to the position of the individual. In the same manner, the present Petitioner made a Nazur of 2 pairs of ornamented Benares shoes and received in return a reward of Rupees 50 in money. Such being the case, in the year 1856 or 8 years after the occurrence above mentioned and when His Highness had departed this life, the Petitioner brought a claim before the then Serkele to the sum of Rupees 350 alleged to have been ordered by the Rajah in 1848 to be paid to him as a present in return for the shoes, and which he then alleged had cost him Rupees 200. The claim was, of course, rejected, as it was unsupported by any thing beyond his own assertions, with an order, however, (and on what ground it does not appear,) that the shoes brought by the Petitioner and which were then in the Palace be restored to him. Even this settlement Petitioner refused to abide by and has ever since been putting forward his alleged grievance every now and then.

3. These are the facts of the case, and there is nothing whatever on the records to shew either that His late Highness ordered the sum of Rupees 350 to be paid to the Petitioner or that his shoes were worth Rupees 200 as alleged by him. The shoes in question, it may be added, and which are still lying under the custody of the Sub-Magistrate at Tanjore together with various other deposits of the Courts of the late Raj, appear to be worth about Rupees 10.

No. 67 ORDER THEREON, 26th February 1862, No. 79.

Under the circumstances reported in the foregoing letter, the Government consider the Petitioner's claim to the sum of Rupees 350 alleged to be due to him as the value of two pairs of shoes sold to the late Rajah of Tanjore, to be altogether inadmissible; and they desire that the Agent will communicate this decision to the Petitioner in reference to his petition to the Government of India, dated 21st August 1861.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Order thereon 26th July 1862. No 79.

Under the circumstances reported in the foregoing letter, the Govt consider the Petitioner's claim to the sum of Rs. 350 alleged to be due to him as the value of two pairs of Shaw sold to the late Rajah of Tanjore, to be altogether inadmissible, and they desire that the Agent will communicate this decision to the Petitioner in reference to his Petition to the Govt of India dated 21st Augt 1861.

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From

The Government Agent

Tanjore

To

The Chief Secretary

to Government

Fort Saint Geo.

Dated 31st January 1825

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Submits, as directed,
a report on the Petition address-
=ed to the Governor General by one
Mahádéva Rau Haváldar of the
late Ráj.

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