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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department,
26*th March* 1872.

No. 71. Read the following letter from the Government Agent and Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends, Chepauk, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Chepauk, 24th January 1872, No. 14:—

I have the honour to forward herewith, a letter addressed to His Excellency the Governor by the Prince of Arcot, dated 22nd instant, No. 7, regarding the distribution of the amount allotted by him to the heirs of his late daughter Amatollah Hameeduth-oo-Nissa Begum, after Her Highness' demise.

Translation of a letter from His Highness the Prince of Arcot, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor of Madras, dated Shaudee Mahul, 22nd January 1872, No. 7.

God is merciful.

It is with feelings of profound regret I have to communicate to your Excellency the melancholy intelligence of the demise, on Saturday the 13th instant, of my second shadee daughter Amatollah Hameeduth-oo-Nissa Begum, the wife of Hafiz Koorsheed Ahmed.

2. While bowed down with sorrow by this great calamity, I am still compelled to address myself to the duty which has devolved on me in consequence of this sorrowful event.

3. Your Excellency will observe from previous correspondence* that my abovementioned late daughter has the sum of Rupees 900 per mensem assigned in perpetuity to her and her heirs out of the revenue of Rupees 1,50,000 per annum granted† to my family after my demise under the orders of Government of India.‡

* Revised list submitted with my letter, No. 51, dated 10th August 1868.

† Paragraph 3 of your Excellency's letter, No. 3, dated 15th January 1867.

‡ Letter to the Government of Madras, No. 1187, dated 8th October 1868, recorded in Proceedings, No. 233, dated 28th October 1868.

4. It now becomes necessary for me to intimate to your Excellency my wishes as to how the said sum of Rupees 900 should be continued and applied after my demise.

5. It is my wish and desire that a suitable division should be made for the maintenance and support of my above-mentioned late daughter's husband and her surviving children, the latter of whose names and ages are as entered in the margin.

Raoof Ahmed	Aged 6 years.
Amathool Lateef Saeed-oo-Nissa Begum	„ 10 „
Do. Moonim Moonim-oo-Nissa Begum	„ 3 „

6. I wish and desire that the following provision shall be made for them after my demise, viz., for—

	Rs. per mensem.
Hafiz Koorsheed Ahmed, husband of my late daughter	100
(*a.*) Raoof Ahmed, son...	400
(*b.*) Amathool Lateef Saeed-oo-Nissa Begum, elder daughter...	200
(*c.*) Amathool Moonim Moonim-oo-Nissa Begum, younger daughter	200
Total ...	900

and that the said sums shall be paid on separate receipts of the person or persons authorized to receive the same.

7. It is further my wish and desire that, on the demise of Hafiz Koorsheed Ahmed, his allowance of Rupees 100 shall be divided as follows:—Rupees 50 shall revert to the son (*a*) of my late daughter or his heirs should he demise leaving issue, and Rupees 25 to each of the daughters (*b* & *c*) of my said daughter or their respective heirs should they demise leaving issue. Should either of the said granddaughters (*b* & *c*) predemise their brother (*a*) without issue, then her allowance shall be divided into three equal shares of which two shares shall revert to her brother or his heirs and one share to her surviving sister or her heirs; should the brother predemise either of the sisters without issue then his allowance shall be divided equally between his surviving sisters or their respective heirs share and share alike.

Ekhaad
March 1872.

My dear Mr. Pudleston,

Prince Azeem Jah has lost one of his Shaudee daughters - who drew a monthly allowance of Rupees 900. — His Highness has written to Government a letter stating the manner in which he wishes this amount to be divided among the children and husband of the deceased. I have been desired to furnish a Minute on the subject. I beg to do so demi-officially; on account of the personal character of the subject - and because I cannot suppose His Highness to require [illegible]

Yrs

It is obvious that the sum in question shall be divided in certain proportions; and he details minutely how he wishes these shares to be modified in event of certain casualties. he wishes this arrangement to be perpetual - and that it shall form a precedent for all in like cases.

I object, most strongly, to the grant of any pledge on the part of Government, that the measure proposed, or any other measure that may be proposed, shall be now adopted as binding for ever. The grant of such a pledge would be unjust to Government, and to the succeeding Family - circumstances may arise - are

are every liberal minded - to bring it necessary to deal with special cases in an exceptional manner. The future conduct of Government in the matter ought not to be fettered - nor should this present Prince of Wales be allowed to take all authority regarding the Family out of the hands of the future heads of the Family.

As regards the distribution now proposed it is altogether objectionable - and in such objectionable The interests of future generations ought not to be made to depend merely on the private feeling of one head of the family for one favorite child.

child. I beg to point out that the division in question be regulated by Lord Clive's scale, which has been in force since 1801. to which all the Carnatic stipendiaries are accustomed, and with which they are content. — His Highness requests, that in event of his own death occurring before his grand-children have attained their majority, Government will become their guardian, to the exclusion of His Highness' successors in the Nawabship of Arcot, and of all other members of the Carnatic family - including the father of the children.

I presume His Highness in making this request was actuated merely by consideration for the welfare of the said children. But this consideration has [illegible] connected with the matter. If His Highness' request be granted, in a few years all the minors of the Carnatic family will be wards of the State. A great trouble and responsibility will thus be thrown on Government, and the authority of the future Princes of Arcot over their own family will be reduced to nothing.

In all the recent arrangements [illegible]

Carnatic Fund, it was considered
=plated that the future Princes of
Arcot are to be the heads of the Family
on this reason, a larger Allowance
a higher position to have been
assigned to them. If Prince agree
Sahib proposal now submitted, be
attended to, those views will be com=
=pletely frustrated.

His Highness may be well
assured that the grand-children con=
=cerning whom he now writes will
be protected by Government, in all
emergencies - but not that they will
be favored to the injury of the other
relations of H. H. &c. &c. &c. regard

to the present question &c. The division
of their mothers Allowance - I again
beg to recommend the adoption in
this case of the scale which has
been in use in all similar cases for
the last 71 years - As to the other points
raised, His Highness's wishes concern=
=ing them should be known and
recorded, for future reference -
but I strongly deprecate the
giving of any pledge - Each
case, should be dealt with as
it occurs - This is the rule
which has been in force since
the

the great zeal and experience has shown it to be the best.

Most Sincerely

D. L. Wilson.

— Lloyd Clinic Scale —

5 Afares - Shadee Sow -

2½ — do — do — daughter

1 — do — Necka Sow -

½ — do — do — daughter -

2½ — do — Shadee widow -

½ — do — Necka widow -

Lo Garnus - Arbitrary - according to circumstances —

6 March 1872

8th March 1872

My dear Mr. Hudleston

I must apologize for not having sent you the Memo of Lord Blenii's Scale till now. I wished, in sending it, to make the following remarks.

The distribution proposed by Prince Ozeroff in the present case, does not differ much from Lord Blenii's Scale. I should object, even if it did not differ at all, to H. H. interference in the

matter - He is not a person
who can be safely
entrusted with money interests
If he be allowed to substitute
his own pleasure for the
Scale, there is no saying what
he may recommend on
the next occasion - If the
Scale be once established as
the Rule - all the members
of the Family will know
how they stand, and what they
will be entitled to in any
eventuality -

H. H. proposes in the present
case that 4 unities shall be
given to the son, two unities
to each of the daughters, and
one unity to the husband
of the deceased lady - The
introduction of the husband
as a co-sharer on equal terms
with the children is objectionable - It may be right and
becoming that he should have
some support; but the property
which came from the mother
belongs to the children - I beg
to propose that the whole
amount being divided

Polk — Department.

No. 93.

From the Government Agent at Chepewyan N.W.T.

Dated 24th January — 1872.

FOR ORDERS.

I think there is a good deal of force in what Colonel Wilson writes in his letter herewith. In case the Indians of any locality

7th March 1872 [illegible]

I agree with H.H. the Governor. It would be convenient to have Col Wilson in attendance to afford explanation as to the effect of his proposal

P.J.C

Jobs

[illegible] thought the children according to Lord Elmes' scale, R$5 per measure should be paid to the husband from the sale's share, and R$25 from each of the daughters shares, for his support; during the children's minority. As each child attains majority it will have the option of continuing the share or not.

Yours Sincerely

R. S. Wilson

Memo

I received a Draft
[illegible] on the Letter from
Miss Lyon & Lyon
the Treasurer of this Society
of the Directors of
to him that he had
about for certain
persons: The Letter
in which [illegible]
the Draft was sent
[illegible]

under his appointment
as the interior of
the army of U. S. has
been sanctioned by
the subject of the family
maintenance after
the decease of the
husband of the
has already in force
this? This is the
in accordance to Col. Wilson's
Lt. letter of Sept. last
the circumstances
"does a family allow"
Col. Gov. Davis

the distribution is
only to operate after
the decease of the
husband.

I believe the present
practice in accordance
with the intention of
the Act.

Lt. Col. U.S.

27.3.72

No. 14 of 1872.

Government Agent's Office, Chepauk,

24th January 1872.

From

Colonel R. S. Wilson
Government Agent at Chepauk,
and Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends.

To

The Honorable R. S. Ellis C.B
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
R. S. Wilson
Government Agent
Chepauk.

Govt. Agent's Office,
Chepauk,
24th January 1872

To,
The Honorable R. S. Ellis C.B.
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Encl. 1 P.

Translation

God is Merciful

No. 7. of 1872.

Shaudee Mahul
22nd. January 1872.

To

His Excellency
The Right Honorable
Lord Napier K: T:
Governor of Madras.

1. It is with feelings of profound regret I have to Communicate to Your Excellency the melancholy intelligence of the demise on Saturday the 13th. Instant of my Second Shaudy Daughter Amathoollah Hamedath Oon Nissa Begum the Wife of Hafiz Koorsheed Ahmed.-

2. While bowed down with sorrow by this great calamity I am still compelled to address myself to the duty which has devolved on me in consequence of this sorrow=ful event.-

Your

Pol. 1872. Separate

From

The Government Agent at Chepauk,
and Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends.

No. 93.

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 24 January 1872
Rec'd — — —
No. 14.

Enclosure.

Forwards His Highness
Letter dated 22nd Instant
No. 7, addressed to His
Excellency the Governor.

Press No. 6803, G. M.—10-10-66—250.

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3.

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(a) Revised List submitted with my letter No: 51 dated 10th August 1868.

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5. It is my wish and desire that a suitable division should be made for the maintenance & support of my abovementioned late Daughter's husband & her surviving children, the latter of whose names and ages are as entered in the margin.-

Raoof Ahmed	aged 6 Years.
Amathool Latef Saeed Soon Bibee Begum	" 10 Years.
Amathool Moonim Moonim Soon Bibee Begum	" 2 Years.

6. I wish and desire that the following provision shall be made for them after my demise Viz: for

Hafiz Koorsheed Ahmed husband of my late Daughter	100	P. Ms.
(a) Raoof Ahmed Son	400	"
(b) Amathool Latef Saeedoon Bibee Begum Elder Daughter	200	"
(c) Amathool Moonim Moonim Soon Bibee Begum Younger Daughter	200	"
Total Rupees	900	"

and that the said sums shall be paid on separate Receipts of the person or persons authorized to receive the same.-

7. It is further my wish and desire that on the demise of Hafiz Koorsheed Ahmed his allowance of Rupees 100 shall be devided as follows- Rupees 50 shall revert to the Son (a) of my late Daughter or his heirs should he be demise leaving issue- and Rupees 25 to each of the Daughters (b&c) of my said Daughter or their respective heirs should they demise leaving issue- Should either of the said Grand Daughters (b&c) predemise their Brother (a) without issue then her allowance shall be devided into 3 equal shares of which two shares shall

shall revert to her brother or his heirs and 1 share to her surviving sister or her heirs; Should the brother predecease either of the Sisters without issue then his allowance shall be devided equally between his surviving Sisters or their respective heirs share and share alike..

8. Should I predecease my abovementioned Grand Children before they attain their majority. I beg that Government will be graciously pleased to make such arrangement as they may in their paternal regard think proper for the management of their affairs and appoint such person as they may deem worthy to be entrusted with their guardian= =ship..

9. It is my wish and desire that the person whom Government in their wisdom may be pleased to appoint as guardian to my said Grand Children after my demise shall be directly responsible to Government. That he shall draw the allowance of each child and account for the same separately and distinctly. That he shall not be allowed to receive the whole allowance but such sum as Government may determine

determine for the decent support & maintenance of each child and the balances thereafter remaining of each child's monthly allowance shall be lodged by Government in the Madras Bank in its= individual name. But as funds accumulate in the Bank to the Credit of each child they shall be paid to such child after attaining his or her majority.-

10. The arrangement herein proposed shall be, I wish and desire, to be taken as= precedent to Govern future similar cases.-

11. I take this opportunity to state that it is my wish that my sons and daughters shall draw his or her share of the income, assigned under the arrangement proposed by me and approved by Government, directly from the= Bank of Madras without the intervention and interference of my successors in the Title, and that the several shares descending hereditarily to the respective sharers shall be disbursed to them on their individual receipts and= Signatures or Seals, as the case may be, and not with the intervention or interference of my successors.-

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12. I trust Your Excellency will recognise the prudence and necessity for the arrangement I have now detailed, and that you will kindly obtain for them the sanction of Her Majesty's Government.

What more?

(Signed) Azeem Jah.

(True Translation)

Hydur Jung

Chief Secretary to His Highness
the Prince of Arcot.

Rec.d 1872 Relative
Enclosed in a letter
from the Govt. Agent
at the Pulicat Lake Fort
Fort St. George Oct.r 4 &
24 January 1872.

Political Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the
Govt. Agent at Chepauk
dated 24th January 1872 No. 14

Order thereon 6 March 1872 N° 119.

The Govt. Agent at
Chepauk will inform
His Highness the Prince
of Arcot that the Govt.
have learnt with much
regret of the loss His
Highness has sustained
by the death of his daughter
and that they see no
reason to object to the
distribution which His
Highness proposes to
make of the provisions
that had been assigned
to that Lady. His
Highness may rest
assured that his express
wishes

wishes will meet with
all due consideration, and
that his grandchildren
will be the objects of
the solicitude of Govt.
but the Govt do not
think it desirable to lay
down fixed rules which
would bar all future
power of action on the
part of His Highness'
Successors as regards this
particular case or those
of other relatives of
His Highness.

L.B.

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Lieut for

To,
The Govt Agent at Chepauk.
dispd 27.

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Govt. of {187} Madras.

To _____

Dated
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