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Political (1895) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 837

DATED 12th Dec. 1895.

UNDETECTED

[Despatch Abstract.]

OLD SILVER ARTICLES IN THE RESIDENCY, TRAVANCORE,

Directing the Resident to forward certain of the -- to the Superin-tendent, Government Central Museum, and to sell the rest and enquiring whether the badges inscribed "Travancore Residency" cannot be utilized in his office.

BACK PAPERS.

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List of Articles.

1. Silver Sandal Cup.
2. Silver rose-water sprinklers
1. Silver tray.
11. Badges bearing inscription "Travancore Residency".
2. Silver Chobdar Sticks.
2. Old covers of the same.
2. Metal stands bearing Nos 5-5 & 5-35 supposed to be of silver.
1. Silver chellam.
1. Silver tray with two attar bottles and 1 silver spoon.

V
Chellam
14/10.

It is not exactly clear if the word is "Chellam" or "Chillam". "Chellam" in Malayalam, the language of Travancore, means "treasure", or "Hidden treasure"; "Chilam" or - corruptly - "Chillum" is a Hindustani word and, according to the same authority, is used to denote that part of the hukka which contains the tobacco and charcoal balls. Evidently the Resident's reference is to the latter.

C.S.
14/10.

Wks
Secretariat
Travancore
Residency
Darbars
Pkd

Thomson
S.H
Resident.

1895
Pol. Dept.
Enclos. No. 1
To
C. No. 1584

Resident's Office
Trevandrum 5th November 1895.

CURRENT No. 1582

Known

J. Thomson Esquire
Resident in Travancore & Cochin

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir,

At the last half-yearly examination of my Treasury, I had to bring to the notice of the Accountant General that there was in the Treasury some old silver of the Residency lodged in a box for safe custody. The list of the articles so kept is annexed. The Accountant General now desires me to obtain the orders of Government for their disposal if there is sufficient reason to believe that no claim will be made thereto by the Travancore Sarkar.

2. I am informed that the articles have been in the Treasury from or before the time of General Cullen and no definite information is to be had as to whether they were originally supplied by the Sarkar. The probability is that they were not. I beg therefore for the orders of Government as to their disposal. It does not appear that a reference to the Sarkar is necessary.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant

Thomson
5/11

Resident.

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CURRENT NO 1584

Political Department

From

The Resident in
Travancore and Cochin

To

The Chief Secretary to Govern-
-ment
Fort St George

Dated 5th November 1895.
Despatched 6th November 1895.

Received. 10 Nov 1895
Read 11 Nov 1895
No. A. 1812.

Enclosure. 1.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
10-NOV. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Old Silver articles

Requests orders of Government as to the disposal of the _____ lodged in the Residency Treasury.

C.S.

For order

Some of these articles appear to be somewhat ancient & Mr. Thurston might like them for the Museum?

Failing this, the Resdt. should keep them in the Treasury, it is thought. It would not do to sell them

C.S.
15.11.95

Memo No 2812 22-11-95

Referred to the Supdt. Central Museum for report as to whether any of the articles could be placed in the Museum

C.M.S.
W.C.S.
18.11.95

Supdt. Central Museum
(with Chemist's report returned)

Note. Chemist's report returned herewith

Supdt 22/11

W 2/1911

T.O.

[G 39] 15-8-95.

Political DEPARTMENT.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT. MADRAS.

Memorandum.

READ the following Letter

From the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, dated 5th November 1895, No. A 1812.

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Referred

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Endt. N° 2812

Referred to the Superintendent Central Museum for report as to whether he considers that any of the articles could be placed in the Museum.

By Order

Robt Sewell

Fort St. George.
2nd November 1895.

Ag: Assistant Secretary.

To

The Superintendent, Central Museum

CURRENT NO 1684

No. 698

GOVERNMENT MUSEUM,
Pantheon Road, Egmore,
Madras, 26th November 1895.

From

EDGAR THURSTON, Esq.,
SUPERINTENDENT,
Government Museum,
Madras,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Political Department.

SIR,

With reference to the correspondence returned herewith, I have the honour to state that I shall be glad to receive those articles, which I have marked, on the list, on behalf of the Museum, provided that no expenditure, except that of freight, has to be incurred.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Edgar Thurston

Superintendent,
Government Museum.

F/4 500—12-11-94.

Political (1895) Department

From

Edgar Thurston Esqr

Superintendent, Government Museum.

No: 698

Enclosures- One.

Dated- 26th November
Despatched- 26th November
Received- SECRETARIAT 1895 26 NOV 1895 GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

No.

Subject

Stating that he is glad to receive those articles marked on the list on behalf of the Museum provided that no expenditure has to be incurred except that of freights.

C. No. 1584 & 1687

CS
5/12

No 837 d/12 Dec 95

The Resdt. will forward the articles ~~numbered~~ marked by the Supdt, Central Museum, to that officer. ~~The remaining~~ and ~~articles should be badges &c~~ will report whether the badges inscribed "Travancore Residency" cannot be utilized in his office. The remaining articles should be sold

CS
28/11/95

Resdt T. O.C. (1584 = Q 1687 = A) with list
Acct. Genl. (1584 = P. 1687 = P)
Supdt Central Museum (1687 = Q)
despd 17/XII/95

When given for copying ____
When copied ____
When examined ____
When signed ____
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READ AGAIN G.O., No. 189 , DATED

CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	
LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.								
STATEMENT WITH DITTO.								
PAPERS NOT FILED UP, BEING MEANT FOR DESPATCH IN ORIGINAL.								

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B = Not to be copied
P = Copy abstract only.
Q = Copy heading only