

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Rural - DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	869	Press Mis.
Dated	20-7-	1857

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
20th July 1867.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 207. Petition from Mahomed Meerah La, a Merchant at Madras, dated 11th June 1867.

ABSTRACT.—States that the petitioner purchased a piece of ground, and erected thereon a Mosque, cemetery, and a vault, and interred in the cemetery the remains of Mussulmen till the new Act directing the close of burial grounds, came into force, and that the Municipal Commissioners, to whom he applied for permission for interring his remains in his own vault in the said cemetery, declined to comply with his request, with reference to Government Order of 25th September 1861, No. 1342.

Prays for permission for interring his remains in the vault.

No. 1487.

Referred to the Municipal Commissioners for the town of Madras, who are requested to state whether, looking to the exceptional circumstances of the case, which, if true, would appear to entitle the petitioner's request to consideration, they will be prepared to grant the necessary permission.

By Order.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
5th July 1867.

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Actg. Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 208. From the Municipal Commissioners for the town of Madras, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Madras, 12th July 1867.

In returning the petition of Mahomed Meerah La, received under docket No. 1487 of 1867, we have the honor to state that, under the peculiar and exceptional circumstances of the case, there appears to be no objection for a special license being granted to the petitioner, for his body to be interred, on his demise, in the burial ground attached to the Mosque in Ungappa Naick Street, Black Town, and if Government will grant exemption to the petitioner from the operation of their Order, No. 1342, dated 23rd September 1861, we shall be prepared to issue the necessary license, when required, for the purpose mentioned.

No. 209. ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1867, No. 869.

Under the exceptional circumstances of the case, the Governor in Council authorizes the Commissioners for the Municipality of Madras to grant a special license to Mahomed Meerah La, for the interment of his body, on his demise, in the burial ground attached to the Mosque in Ungappa Naick Street, Black Town.

(True Extract).

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Madras Municipal Commission.
To Mahomed Meerah La.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

To
The Acting Chief Secretary to
Government.
Fort St George

Sir,
In returning the petition of
Mahomed Muraah La received under
order of No 1487 of 1867, we have the honor
to state that under the peculiar and
exceptional circumstances of the case,
there appears to be no objection for a
special license being granted to the
Petitioner, for his body to be interred on
his demise in the burial ground attached
to the Mosque in Ungappa Raich Street
Black Town, and if Government will
grant exemption to the Petitioner from the
operation of their Order No 1342 dated 23rd
September 1866, we shall be prepared to
issue the necessary license, when required
for the purpose mentioned.

We have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Charles Dennis President

S. S. S. S.

Municipal Commissioners
for the Town of Madras

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Protectors Office.
Madras 22nd May 1867.

From John J. Franklin Esq.
Protector of Emigrants.

To The Honorable A. J. Arbutnot.
Chief Secretary to Govt.
Fort Saint George.

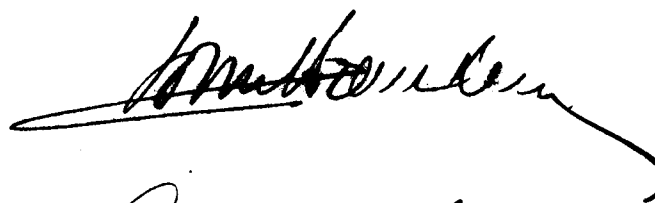
Sir,

I have the honor to inform you —
that in compliance with the instructions
conveyed in Proceedings of Government of
the 3rd instant, N^o 499, the British Consular
~~Agent at Pondicherry was called on for~~
such explanation as he might have to offer
regarding the statement of the emigrants
who arrived at Paimon in the "Northumbrian"
to the effect that they had no opportunity
of communicating with him before they
embarked.

Mr. Norfords reply in original is
herewith forwarded.

I have the honor to be.

Sir,
Yours most obed^t Servant.


Protector of Emigrants

No 172.

From B. J. Nor for Esq^r,
British Consular Agent
Pondicherry.

To The Protector of Emigrants,
Madras.

I have the honor to acknow-
ledge the receipt of the Government
Order of the 3rd Instant No 449 giving
cover to copies of despatches from the
Right Honorable the Secretary of State
for India, and the under Secretarys
letter, together with correspondence
from Her Majesty's Consul in Rangoon.
In reply to Para 2 of the
under Secretarys letter requiring ex-
planation respecting the statement
of certain emigrants embarked on the
Ship Belgravia for Rangoon to the effect
that they were defrauded of 3 Rupees
each and had no opportunity of complain-
ing to me. That they never saw me
after the money was taken or they
would have complained. and that

Not known
- because

No 3rd May/49 by me
17 April 1875
22 May 1875 @ 162
21 March 1875 @ 143.
Former No 502 of 5 May 1875

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Public Letter to Esq 29 June 1875
of 1867

1867 May

See
No 740
In 1857
Forward letter from the
British Consular Agent at the
Madras in reference to the
correspondence of 2 years by
Consul in Rangoon that the
had no opportunity of seeing
him previous to embarking
from Rangoon.

"I did not visit the Depot during the fortnight previous to their embarkation".

They to say that the statements made are not correct. I generally inspect the Depot once a week - and the men must have seen me. Besides this, at the time of embarkation they are called up one by one to receive their Engagement Passports - on this occasion - they come to a table at which are seated, the Government Commissioner of Emigration - the Emigration Agent - and myself. Here each man is questioned for the last time as to his willingness to emigrate & if he has any complaint we are bound to attend to it.

This was another, and good opportunity for them to have spoken, but the men of this Vessel made no complaints of any kind.

3. I hope it will be seen from the foregoing that the men do not state the truth when they say they had no opportunity to complain.

They have every opportunity but strange to say they keep silence, and thus is the great difficulty I have to contend with. In Para 2 of Consul's letter they say "We complained to Mr. [Name] & he only made reply - 'Why did you let the Trustees take the

Lordship in Council will take the perusal of this Memorial into your Lordship's most favourable consideration and grant to your Petitioner an order to inter his remains in his own vault in Ungueta Sait Street which must be before long, being an aged man above 90 years old. And for which act of Benevolence your Petitioner will be most extremely obliged, and as in duty shall ever pray. Your Petitioner now begs leave to subscribe himself as your Lordship's most obedient and humble servant.

Mahomed Meerah Lu.

Madras.
11th June 1867.

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Remitted to apm
Vault in Box 1200

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