(1)

Revenue Department

E. M. C. dated 27th January 1837

Book No 37-38

order No 98 dated 26th January 1837

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 27th January 1857.

No. 37. Read the following *Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue; dated 15th January* 1857, *No.* 172.

In Con. 15th January 1857. Read letter received from the Collector of Nellore under date the 29th October 1856, reporting upon Petition No. 1457 (1856.)

(Here enter No. 226.)

Ordered that the foregoing letter be laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, with reference to the endorsement of the Deputy Secretary to Government bearing date 30th July 1856.

2. The Collector reports that Shashiah, (whose father having obtained ⅛ share of the Enam by purchase held the post of Curnum from 1806 to 1808) was appointed in 1853, and ⅛ share of the enam was made over to him. It appears that as the three Curnums were young boys, doing duty by proxies, two of whom were new, and as the revenue of the village had increased from Rupees 2,500 to Rupees 6,400, the services of an additional Curnum were deemed necessary, and Shashiah was, on the recommendation of the Tahsildar, nominated for the office.

3. The Board do not look upon the claim of Shashiah as being per-se very strong; but as this further assistance is urgently required for the efficient working of the revenue administration of the village and he is represented to be well qualified, they beg to recommend that he may be retained.

4. The Collector will be instructed to insist on the employment of competent Goomastahs to perform the duties of the other Curnums.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Acting Secretary.*

No. 38. ORDER THEREON, *No.* 98; *dated 24th January* 1857.

The Governor in Council is of opinion that the claim of Sashiah to be appointed Curnum of Edoor in the Nellore District, cannot be maintained. His father, as it appears, formerly held the post of Curnum in the village for two years, but absconded half a century ago. It is stated that his right to that nomination was based on the purchase of ⅛ of the Meerass; but this claim, admitting it to be authentic lay dormant for 50 years. It is stated as a ground for appointing Sashiah, that 2 of the present acting Curnums were new; but it does not appear how this can be a reason, since Sashiah was also strange to the duty. The Governor in Council is of opinion that if a fourth Curnum was necessary in the village, as is alleged, he should have been nominated on the part of the present Curnums; care being taken by the Talook authorities that he was one competent to the duty. This arrangement will now be carried into effect. The Government would not object to the nomination of Sashiah as Goomastah to the Meerassdars, provided such nomination be fully agreed to by the latter.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Revenue Department

No. 172

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 15th January 1857

Read the Secretary from the Collector of Customs Chaps dated the 29th October 1856, reporting upon Petition No. 2957/856

(Collector's No. 226)

Ordered that the foregoing letter be filed after the Board has recorded the opinion in Council quoted therein of the Government Secretary dated 30th July 1856.

To the Collector of Customs, Central Division, Calcutta, and Superintendent of Salt, Sea Customs, Hijlee, Kedgeree, Culpee, Nuddea, Jessore, Khoolna, Backergunge, Chittagong, Cox's Bazar, Ramoo, Akyab, Tavoy, Mergui, Moulmein, Amherst, Martaban, Rangoon, Bassein, Cocanada, Vizagapatam, Ganjam, Pooree, Balasore, Contai, Hidgellee, Tumlook, Midnapore, Saugor, Kedgeree, Diamond Harbour, Port Canning, Mutlah, Sandoway, Aracan

Rec. 18th Dec.
Ans. 22nd Do.

No 62

Collector Grave &c
Directions of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 15th
Dec. 1857
Rec. 17th Do.

Incls. 1 Returned
to Collector

No 172
A.C. No. 908. 24th January

Submitting a letter
from the Collector of Madras
requesting an Establishment of
1856 and recommending for
various Reasons stated, that Sanction
may be accordingly accorded to the
Continuance of the village
of Egmore and to be retained
in that Office.—

No 37.

Copy Ans. 22

Queens 1857 Copies
Recd. 2nd January.

No 98.

Copies of Queens
Letter of 1st January 1857

Address Hadfield Esqre
Queens Advocate
Colombo

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, with a copy of the Queens Letter of the 31st December 1856 to the Governor of Ceylon, and to request that you will cause the same to be published in the Government Gazette.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) C. J. Hay

No 97 & 98.