

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 25th January 1859.

No. 43. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th December 1858, No. 4683.

Read letter from the Collector of Rajahmundry, dated 4th December 1858, No. 171.

(In Con. 20th December 1858, No. 5542.)

The Board approve of the proposed security as set forth in paras. 2, 4 and 6 of the Collector's letter on the understanding that the Life Assurance is duly kept up until the loan is repaid. It can of course be reduced as payments are made and when the balance of the debt does not exceed the value of Mr. Montclar's estate may be entirely given up.

2. The Collector can disburse the sum sanctioned by Government viz. 30,000 Rupees on Mr. Montclar's executing the necessary engagements in due form making the relinquishment noted in para. 5 of Extract Minutes Consultation 14th October last, R. D., No. 1397.

In Con. 28th October 1858.

(A true Extract.)

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

No. 44. ORDER THEREON, No. 98; dated 25th January 1859.

Ordered that the foregoing Extract be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

No. 5542.

From A. PURVIS, Esq., Collector of RAJAHMUNDRY,

dated Kirlumpoody 4th December 1858, No. 171.

I have the honor with reference to the Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue of the 28th October last, and to the Minutes of Consultation of the 14th of the same month to submit a letter with translation, from Monsieur Montclar.

2. Monsieur Montclar it will be observed, in reply to a reference made to him by me on the subject, offers to insure his life for the sum of Rupees 30,000 and after having received the money, proposes to settle with Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., and, having thus released his estate from incumbrance, tender it as security for the repayment of the loan.

3. As already explained Mr. Montclar's own plantation is 75 Acres, part of this is Enam land rented from the holders, and part Jeroyty: The buildings are, as I understand, the property of Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., Mr. Montclar being entitled to the use of the machinery &c., under the arrangement explained in his letter forwarded with mine of the 16th August last.

4. There are no buildings on that part of the estate belonging to Mr. Montclar, the value of it therefore consists in the high state of cultivation into which he has brought the land, and in its having been adapted at a large outlay to a sugar plantation. I am not however prepared to estimate the value of the estate in its present state, distinct from the produce thereon, at the sum asked for by Mr. Montclar, but I have little doubt that Gentleman would enter into an engagement by which the Government would have a lien on the produce of each season until the loan is repaid. He says as much indeed in his letter.

5. Mr. Montclar is not a man of property, save the estate under reference, or of capital, and he is unable to offer any more favorable arrangement in regard to security than that now put forward, which I beg to submit for the approval of the Board.

6. Mr. Montclar, I have no doubt, means in the latter part of his letter to give up all idea of any claim to compensation but before any payment is made to him a written relinquishment of any such claim in explicit terms will be taken.

ENC. 1

From Monsieur A. MONTCLAR,

To the Collector of RAJAHMUNDRY District, Coconada.

dated Valagathodoo Sugar Estate 17th November 1858.

In reply to the communication from Government regarding my affair I have the honor to state.

1. I am deeply sensible of the resolution of Government in my favor as it applies at once to my business as well as my situation. With regard to my business you know it, Monsieur le Collecteur, having been an eye witness to it, my situation you know also.

Blessed be the resolution which is to me like the rainbow which reanimates and re-assures after a storm and which permits me to make a definite solution of my enterprise, without the assistance of bankers, at 20 per cent per annum.

2. My proposal for the security of Rupees 30,000 is as follows.

1st. To give and deposit with the Board of Revenue a Policy of assurance on my life for Rupees 30,000

2d. So soon as I receive the Rupees 30,000 I will settle finally with Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. and withdraw myself from their hands.

3rd. Then once free I will give a security to Government upon my property and products until the liquidation in full of the advance of Rupees 30,000.

4th. When the security upon my property and products shall have been delivered to Government, I shall then ask for the return of the Insurance Policy on my life.

3. After the assistance I have received from you, Monsieur le Collecteur, and after the assistance given to me by Captain Rundall, and after the sympathetic assistance given me by all Government Officers of this District in general, and without exception, in testifying to my great attempt it will neither be loyal or grateful on my part to claim any thing contrary to the loyalty of the Government, I have shown my unforeseen misfortune by the breach of the Anicut.

4. I have said to Government, "assist me," "give me a helping hand," that I may triumph in my enterprise, but I have not said imperatively—It must be done—I order it!!

5. The better proof is the benevolent resolution of Government in my favor, and I beg Monsieur le Collecteur that you will be the means of depicting to the Madras Government, my satisfaction and my gratitude.

ENC. 2.

From Monsieur A. MONTCLAR,
To the Collector of RAJAHMUNDY District, Cocanada,
dated Valagatohdoo 17th November 1858.

En réponse à la communication du Gouvernement à mon égard ; j'ai l'honneur d'exprimer :

1. Que la résolution du Gouvernement à mon égard m'est profondément sensible ; car elle s'adresse à la fois à mon business et à ma position elle-même. Quant à mon business, vous le connaissez Monsieur le Collecteur ; l'ayant vu de vos yeux—quant à ma position vous la connaissez aussi.

Soit donc béni la résolution, qui m'apparaît comme "l'arc-en-ciel" qui ranime et rassure après un orage et qui va me permettre de faire la solution, définitive de mon entreprise sans l'assistance de banquiers à 20 pour 70 l'an !

2. Pour la sécurité des Res. 30,000, voici ma proposition.

1st. De donner et déposer au board de revenue une police d'assurance sur ma vie pour Res. 30,000.

2nd. Aussitôt en possession des Res 30,000, je réglerai définitivement avec les Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. et me retirerai de leurs mains.

3rd. Une fois libre alors, je donnerai une sécurité au Gouvernement sur ma propriété et produits ; j'usqu'à parfait paiement de la dite avance de Res. 30,000.

4th. Quand la sécurité sur ma vie me soit alors rendue.

3. Après l'assistance que j'ai reçue de vous Monsieur le Collecteur ; après l'assistance que m'a donnée le Capitaine "Randall" après l'assistance sympathique que tous les officiers du Gouvernement de ce district (*en general et sans exception*) ont témoigné à mes grands efforts.

Il ne serait pas loyal et reconnaissant de ma part de venir réclamer quelque chose contraire à la loyauté du Gouvernement. J'ai exposé mon infortune survenue par la cassure de l'Anicut.

J'ai dit au Gouvernement :

"Assistez-moi" donnez-moi "une main d'encouragement ;" pour me faire triompher dans mon entreprise ; mais je n'ai pas dit impérativement :

Il le faut, je l'ordonne !

La meilleure preuve est la bienveillante résolution du Gouvernement à mon égard, et veuillez je vous prie, Monsieur le Collecteur, être mon interprète auprès du Gouvernement de Madras ; pour peindre ma satisfaction et ma gratitude.

No. 4683.

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(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary.

To A. PURVIS, Esq., Collector of Rajahmundry.
Copy to Mr. Montclar.

Copy to Govt for information.
with the Collector's letter.

True Copy

J. D. Sim

Secretary

To W. W. Bayley Esq.
Agst. to Govt.
Per Departt.

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Submitting a letter
from the Collector of Ragusa.

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the disengagement to Mr.

Montclair of the sum of
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