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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1810	Press ~~Mis.~~
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Dated 4 — 8. 1865.	

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 4th August 1865.

No. 71. Read the following letter from C. W. READE, Esq., Collector of South Arcot, to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Cuddalore, 21st July 1865, No. 60 :—

SIR,

I have the honor to lay before Government the accompanying letter, in original, together with the enclosure, received from the Devastanum Committee of this District, and as the solution of the points mooted by the Committee rests alone with Government, I request their orders for communication to the Members of the Committee, and for their future guidance.

No. 72. ORDER THEREON, 4th August 1865, No. 1,810.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government are not legally competent to give authoritative interpretations of the Law, and must decline to issue any orders on the points raised, for the future guidance of the Committee.

2. If the members are in doubt as to their powers, and desire to avoid exceeding their jurisdiction, or incurring the risk of being cast in an action at Law, they should adopt the usual course for obtaining a legal opinion for their guidance.

2. The Collector will explain fully to what the Committee refer in the latter part of their letter, where they say "that the Revenue authorities have on several "occasions referred questions relating to these (Maddia) Devastanums to our Com- "mittee."

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Collector of South Arcot.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

21st July 1865 3 Collector

No 60

From

C. W. Reade Esqre
Collector of
South Arcot

To,

A. J. Arbuthnot Esqre
Chief Secretary to
Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to lay before Government the accompanying letter in original together with the enclosure received from the Pavastanum Committee of this District, and as the solution of the points mooted by the Committee rests alone with Government, I request their orders for communication to the members of the Committee and for their future guidance.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt

Chas Reade
Collector

South Arcot
Collr Cutchery
Cuddalore
21st July 1805

Recd 27th July 1805
Answered 28th Do
Quotes No 1 Bullion GD

Copy of letter from the Collector of South Arcot to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 21st July 1805 requesting the orders of Government on the points mooted by the Pavastanum Committee

No 61

Rec'd 1870. 4 Augt/65

Mint & Bullion Office
Melbourne 3rd August 1865

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter addressed to the Treasurer of this Colony by Messrs Thomas Bent & Co of Sydney, and to request that you will be pleased to submit the same for the consideration of the Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
[illegible]

The Hon. the Chief Secretary

Rec'd 1865 - Victoria
Inward Letters No 2028.

The Collector of
Customs
Melbourne

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government

Capt Cadell

Dated 21st July
Received 24th July/65

No 60
Collr's 880 4 Augt
2 Enclosures

Forwarding letter with its enclosure from the Darvicston Committee for Orders.

Will the Collector

over

Rec'd 19 August 1865 No 280-281
- 27 Ditto - 282-3
- 21 October - 284-5

Same not in favor of giving to these Counties any advice whatever. If persisting they act on it, nothing will prevent an independent Member of the Board from challenging the act when it came into Court where there may be an adverse decision - the cost of which will then be said to have originated with the Govt advice.

The counsel for the Counties can as well, they may get of them choose to pay for the same any notice pleadings or any heavier solicitor - I don't see why the Govt should embark in trivial matters. We the Collectors have sent on those questions, we did not do so because we have been informed that the Counties appeal that they have had questions referred to them by the Revenue authorities, and the Collectors to whom they refer the Counties have complained what - between them and passing Act 1871 -

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The Collector will
write after he has heard the Committee
of "Racer" be having furnished for
the cost - & establishment of
the Public management & Dues
under the supervision of the
Officers.

The Committee to be
informed that by the Law they
are entitled only to the
amount received by the Bd.
of Rev. & cannot be in favor
of the principles of any Rate, that
the Bd. has fixed by which
the Bd. exercises its supervision as
evidenced in the Report of Trustees.

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the risk of being cast
in an action at Law,
they should adopt the
usual course for
obtaining a legal
opinion for their
guidance -

I am to explain
fully to the Committee
that in the latter part
of their letter they
say "that the Local authorities
have on several occasions
referred questions relating
to these (Fenian) Organizations
to our Committee"

1.8.65

Mr Copies Table Bl. & Revd. Despatches Augt
— Collr of South Australia
with 2 Enclosures

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Revenue 1865 Depart.
Pro. of Govt. for. August
No 1810
Pro. of the Madras Govt.
D/ 1st August 1865.

From the Collector of Salem
12 October 65 - C. A 2915-
No 2577 21/2

Declining to give authoritative interpretations of the Law relative to the Powers of Pagoda Committees

No 71 & 72