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No. 244. Read the following letter from SYED AHMED, Life Honorary Secretary to the Scientific Society of Alligurh, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Benares, 1st August 1868 :—

1. At the request of the Alligurh Scientific Society, I have endeavoured to compile an Urdu Dictionary, and which, I am glad to be able to report, is now complete and ready for the press, subject to a revision. The only drawback being the want of means by the Society to enter on the publication of a work of such magnitude, containing as it will upwards of a thousand pages.

2. I beg respectfully to submit a specimen of the proposed book for the opinion and approval of the Government, and earnestly solicit an expression thereon as to its merits or otherwise—the work being still in manuscript any alterations or improvements that may suggest themselves being easily effected.

3. It is calculated that the printing off of a thousand copies of the work will cost the Society at the least ten thousand Rupees (10,000), a sum far exceeding their means, as well as from its extent being more than they would be justified in entering into as a venture, so that the publication of the book in a great measure depends on the support and encouragement that the Government may be pleased to give, and as it is necessary that the Society be acquainted with the number of copies the Government may be good enough to determine upon taking for the use of that Presidency, I solicit the favor of a reply accordingly. It is purposed to charge for the Dictionary, when ready, twelve Rupees (12) per copy, exclusive of charges for packing and postage.

3. Under a separate cover I have forwarded several copies of the specimen of the work, in case the Government may desire to have an expression of the opinion of others.

No. 245. ORDER THEREON, 17th August 1868, No. 2,180.

Miscellaneous.

The Government do not require any copies of the Urdu Dictionary.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To Syed Ahmed, Life Honorary Secretary to the Scientific Society, Alligurh.

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