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Revenue Survey Office
Chennai
8th April 1872

From

The Superintendent Revenue Survey
To

The Officiating Chief Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Sir

In returning the enclosed original petition referred to me for report under date 27th February 1872, I have the honour to forward copy of letter from Mr. J. H. Merriman, Assistant Superintendent Revenue Survey, affording the explanation called for relative to the complaint by Tuggurkhor of Cumbum that Mr. Merriman had killed his dog.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obed^t servant

W. H. Priestley, Colonel
Superintendent Revenue Survey

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Revenue Survey Office
Cuttack
3rd April 1872

From.

The 2nd Assistant Superintendent
Revenue Survey

To

The Deputy Superintendent
A. 2 Revenue Survey

Sir

With reference to your docket
No. 344 of 25th March 1872 forwarding a
copy of petition from one Tuggur Khan
of Lumbum. I have the honour to state

I know nothing of the Petitioner or
of the dog which, he alleges, was shot by me.

Having been constantly annoyed
by pariah dogs, prowling about my bungalow,
and seeing that my own dogs were twice
bitten by mad dogs just outside my house,
I first ascertained from the Municipal
overseer that tax had been paid on only
6 dogs out of some 200 which were in the
town, and such being the case, felt
myself at liberty to shoot any dogs, which
annoyed me, except those on which the
tax had been paid.

I have certainly never shot a dog
of the least value, nor one which was

with its owner, had I done so, I should
have heard about it at the time, whereas
this petition is the first intimation I
have had that any exception had been
taken to my destroying dogs which troubled
me and which were apparently owned
by no one.

I have the honour to be
Signed J. B. Merriman
2nd Asst. Supt. Revenue Survey
(True copy)

Signed B. O. C. Cardozo
Deputy Supt. Revenue Survey
(True copy)

Revenue Survey Office
Cuttack
8th April 1872

Respectfully
Superintendent Revenue Survey

W. B.

dog, but kept quiet, and did not

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Received of
 Thomas Jackson Esq
 from
 The Superintendent
 of
 the Office of the
 Chief Clerk
 to the
 Government
 the sum of
 \$100.00
 April
 1872
 \$100.00
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 Enclosed
 duplicate

2. Should petitioner not accept moderate compensation, he should be left to his remedy in the civil Court.

P. 24/4
R. 2075

The Humble Petition of Complaint
of one Tuzzeaskhan residing
in the Town of Ambar
District of Kuznood.

Most Humbly Sheweth.

That having on the morning
of the 22nd February, 1872 at about
5 P.M. while passing through the
forest with my best Spanish
Newfoundland mixed breed dog
and most appreciated than that of my
son worth (100) Rupees, named
"Darsahma" has been killed by
J. H. Merriam Esq. the assistant
Superintendent of Revenue Survey
of Umburra - who shot down without
any reason while the dog was going
up his way, if I would have been
then some in front of the dog to avoid
him, I think the volley would have
been come over me in lieu of the
dog, but kept quiet, and did not
speak a word in the hope

that the judgment will be obtained
from your Sircar the Government.

2 The dog in question was of
the best kind and breed and has
been maintained with much fond-
ness, by its death the heart of the
Petitioner was broken and having
suffered an extreme degree of pain.

Consequently most humbly beg to solicit
that this illegal procedure, and act
of oppression perpetrated by the above
mentioned officials, be taken into
the generous consideration of His Excellency
the Government, so as to decide
into the matter by passing orders
that the value of the dog Rs. (100)
may be paid over to me as
compensation.

3 It is to be observed that
a person is not at all at liberty to
kill the valuable dog the property
of others, without reason.

Government having made
the Municipal By-laws for the
protection of dogs.

has been fixed, that one month
previous notice be given to the public
in the district Gazette to that effect
and then to carry out the killing of
loose dogs during the month of May
and June, and in no other time.

This case is of mere oppression which
the dog was going with its owner have
been suddenly killed by a double barrel
gun, further beg to solicit that the
Endorsed Petition be returned to the Petitioner
for which act of charity shall ever pray.

Signed/ Thakur Sahib. Bongaich
J. B. B. B.

to Mr. B. B.
23rd February 1872.

Received by
the
Commissioner
of
the
District
of
Bongaich
on
23rd Feb 1872
for
the
value
of
the
dog
Rs. 100/-
and
costs
Rs. 10/-
Total
Rs. 110/-

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11th May 172

Read the following letter *Papers*

Petition from Fuzzees Khan
residing at Lumbani
Kurnool District.

(Here enter 23rd February 1872

No 545

Report from the Superintendent,
Rev. Survey

(— " — 8.th April 1872 No $\frac{654}{24}$

Order thereon,

The Government are
at a loss to understand
how Mr. Merriam could
have supposed that anything
in the Bye Laws invest him
with power to kill dogs, on
which the Municipal tax
is not paid - & they regard
his conduct in indiscremi-
nately

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No 1626

John Dalton

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Cuculium

Dated 23^d July 1891
Recd: 11th May.

Bringing to notice
 your the conduct of
 Capt. Angus' Rear Com-
 in the King's Dragoons
 demanding compensation
 for the same -

Ms. A. 9. 2. 10. 11. 12.

Le premier D^u la nuit.

John, Henry &
Robert. H. H. H.

Arch. M.

27.7.72

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indiscriminately killing such
dogs with much dissatisfaction.

There can be no doubt
that he has laid ^{himself} open to
an action for damages by
the owners of dogs which
he has thus destroyed.

The petitioner will be
informed that he is at
liberty to sue Mr. Merriam
for the value of his dog.

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Rece: Survey }
a Petition Sept 11
Last Sentence as an Endorse
ment to petitioner

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Dated
Recd.

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Nos.

No 51 - 11 May 1872