No. 86. Read the following letter from RAJAH VELUGOTIKUMARA YACHAMA NAIDOO, Bahadoor, C.S.I., Panjahajur Munsubdar, Rajah of Vencatagherry, to the Right Honourable Lord HOBART, Governor and President in Council, Fort St. George, dated Dowlaishweram, 12th September 1873 :—

I RESPECTFULLY beg to submit th following for consideration.

2. Having had orders from your Honourable Government to my proceeding, with staff, by land on the 1st July 1873 to Bobbili to see our child, and thence to Benares, we were about to leave Vencatagherry on the 30th August, when we had a doubt as to the conception of my wife, and so being prevented to take her to a long journey, we had to leave her behind at Vencatagherry. We, therefore, propose to go alone to Bobbili, and after seeing our child, which has been adopted by the Ranee, it is our object to leave Vizagapatam by sea to Madras, and after having an interview with your Lordship, we propose to reach Vencatagherry before the delivery time of my wife. With this resolution we left our place, and have reached Dowlaishweram this date. The Bobbili Ranee, with the plea that there will be an obstruction to the social intimacy and association of the child with her, sent a message, asking us not to come to Bobbili just now. If we go to Bobbili to see the child, it will be our object to strengthen the bonds of intimacy that exists between the Ranee and the child, to create disunion between the mother and the child; and the profit that will thereby accrue to the child, and the benefit we would derive by it, is a matter we leave to the Honourable Government for consideration. Having come so far with a view to see the child, we imagine the Bobbili Ranee will not let us see the child. We, therefore, beg the Honourable Government that orders will be issued to the Ranee, through the Collector of Vizagapatam, to let us see the child.

No. 87. ORDER THEREON, 11th October 1873, No. 1,092.

Miscellaneous.

THE Governor in Council regrets that he is unable to interfere in the manner desired by the Rajah of Vencatagherry. His son has now become a member of the family of the Ranee of Bobbili, and the Rajah can only see him by the consent of that lady.

2. This decision of Government will be intimated to the Rajah by the Collector of Vizagapatam if he is in that district, or by the Collector of Godavery if he has not yet proceeded beyond Pittapur.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Collector of Nellore.
,, the ,, of Godavery.
,, the ,, of Vizagapatam.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Translation

To

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
Govr and Presidt in Council
Fort St George. Madras.

I respectfully beg to submit the following for consideration.

Having had orders from your Hon. Govt to my proceeding with stuff by land in the 1st Aug 1873 to Bobbeli to our child and thence to Benares. we were about to leave Vencatagherry on the 30 August, when we had a doubt as to the conception of my wife and so we had to desist being prevented to take her to a long journey. we had to leave her behind at Vencatagherry. We therefore propose to go alone to Bobbeli and after seeing our child, which has been adopted by the Rance, it is our object to leave Vizagapatam by sea to Madras and after having an interview with your Lordship, we propose to reach Vencatagherry before the delivery time of my wife. With this resolution we left our place and reached Devarakasvaram this date. the Bobbeli Rance with the plea that there will be an

Despd. on Mon. to Bd. of Revenue, Colls. of Godavery & Vizagapatam 11 Octr.

No. 1092. 11 October 1873

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Note

This does not seem to be a matter on which an autograph letter should be addressed to the Rajah by H. E. the Govr.

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No. 3062

From the Rajah of Vencatagherry C.S.I.
Dated 12 September 1873
Recd. 30 " "

Requesting that orders may be issued through the Collector of Vizagapatam to the Bobbili Ranee to permit him to see his child.

G.O. No. 1092 REV
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Rec'd 4-0.

11th October 1873 No 1092

Pittapore.

31st October 1873.

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To,

The Honorable,

K. Robinson, C. S. I.

&c. &c. &c.

My dear Sir.

I hgte to inform that I received your letter and that the contents thereof caused me much anxiety. On my humbly writing to the Bobbili Rajah, and on the recommendation of some great men, the Rajah wrote to me that I may come to Bobbili and see my son. I accordingly went there on the 12th Instant, and remaining five days, started again for Venkatagherry on the 18th idem. During my short stay at Bobbili the Rajah showed me

me lodging within the Fort, and treat me
respectfully. She also informed me that
all the petty quarrels that were hitherto
raging between the two Samastanams, were
hereby put an end to, and that I, or any of
my relatives, may, whenever we like,
go to Bobbili, and see the boy. This afforded
me unlimitted joy. After the Government
arrives at Madras, I shall happily come
to Madras, and visit you and others.

I beg to remain,
My dear Sir,
Yours very obediently
[illegible]

(Rajah of Venkatagherry)

Pittapoor.
22nd September, 1873.

To,

The Honorable,
W. Robinson, C. S. I.
&c. &c. &c.

My dear Sir:

With the intention of my going to Bobbili in company with my wife and seeing my son there, and thence proceeding to Benares, I sent a letter to Government on the 1st July last and obtaining their sanction, started on the 20th August. As it was not made known by that time, that my wife was pregnant, I was advised by my Doctors &c. that I should not take her with me on journey to distant countries; so I started alone with the desire to go to Bobbili

Bobbili and see my son, and thence proceed to Madras by steamer to visit and do my respects to His Excellency Lord Hobart and to you &c., and be back at Veneatagherry before the time of my wife's delivery.

On my arrival at Dhowleswaram I received a letter from the Rance of Bobbili informing me that I should not, at present, go to Bobbili, pretending as a reason that the boy will not be familiarized with her if I were to go there.

I sent her a reply in a humble tone, that I would, by going there, try my best to increase the familiarity of the boy with her and that she need not think otherwise and that I would simply see the boy and return, since I have travelled so long a distance. I then reached Pittapore.

I now hear that she is persisting in her opinion. The Dubash are gone to Bobbili. Therefore I pray you will kindly send a recommendatory letter to the Collector of Vizagapatam asking him to try his best that I might be allowed to go and see my son at Bobbili.

If you do not kindly undertake to assist me at this opportunity, I would be subjected to much sorrow and disgrace to return without seeing my son after having travelled so long a distance. Therefore I

griefs which parting with you again must revive - and the derangement of her affectionate desire to comfort the boy - by securing as far as may be the single transfer of affection, which for the child's sake you and I must desire to see effected.

The dear boy has little discretion and less control over his own affections. You have both and I advise you as a father to meet the good Lady's wise hesitation more than half-way and in the interests of your child abstain from forcing yourself on the family at this time - Do this in love for your boy and respect for the Lady and there is no disgrace in retracing your steps but the reverse - a wise and generous discretion that you and the child and his anxious affectionate mother. Your [illegible] Lady will never regret

Offer her my respectful and cordial

Sympathy

sympathy with her in her natural distraction and make this my kindly advice acceptable

Yours

We shall be glad to see you at Madras.

Jas Gray

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No 3062 for orders

The Deputy of Vencatachy
The P.C. cannot Lr addressed a letter to
Hire the Horses H.S. the Govt. requesting
Sance to recon That the Collr of Tanjore
Zemindar - L may be directed
think it very to report the Ranks
undesirable that of Bobbilli to allow
should meddle him to use his Thumb
matter. The Vin Tin, when he has
cate Levy Bonds adopted - & July last
No Report obtained

permission to visit
Bennees, via Bobbili,
but it appears that
he has given up this
intention and proposes
to return to Madras
by sea from Vizagapatam
after having seen the boy. His latest visit.
He is halting at Dwlaish
weram and states that
the Ranee has sent him
a message begging him
not to come to Bobbili
at present, as his visit
might have the effect

has given himself to
talk for ab
this - and I think,
I think, he advised
to give up the
visit.
I. D. S.

Sorappa to enter
fort and strongly advise
the Rajah to return home
the Rajah-blow I
the Rajah personally - wrote to
me privately on this subject
and enclose his letter
the answer I shall expect

I knew that he had addressed
Mr. read my reply to Mr
this ob happened before
or Wednesday the 21st
Inst. J.D.S.

I would simply
decline to interfere.
~~receive~~ decline - If
the Ranee pleases she
can refuse to allow
the boy to see the
Rajah, & it is not
for us to wish after
her to dissuade her from

of estranging the boy's affections
from her. The Rajah denies
having any such wish or
intention.
It will be seen from
the papers that after
the boy's adoption by the
Ranee the Rajah made
several difficulties before
parting with him.
It is not apparent how
the Govt can exercise any
order on the subject, but
the Collr of Vizag might
be directed to use his
influence with the Ranee
to induce her to meet the
Rajah's wishes. J.D.S.

such a course. ~~Always~~
~~I~~ On the other hand I do
not see why the Rajah
should not be allowed to
see his son, if the
Prince chooses; and ~~even~~
in any case I do
~~not see~~, I do
not think that our
influence ought to be used
~~in order~~ to frustrate
~~his~~ the very natural wishes
in the subject.

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For Orders

Report of Kurkatagiri's
appeal to the Board of Rev.
sent to the Board of Rev.
Vizagapatam, to permit
him to see his child

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Vizagapatam
29 Sept. 73

Transferred to the
Chief Secy Govt.
Madras

A. Cadogan
Private Secy