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Prisoner of War-Dobrovich (deceased).

Disposal of personal effects.

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Station Salem, **Dated the** 19th August 1919.

From (Name) E.A.Davis Esq., I.C.S.,

(Designation) Collector & Dist.Magistrate.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Revenue(Special-War) --- Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit herewith two lists showing the personal effects of the deceased prisoner of war Dobrovich and to request that Government may be pleased to accord sanction for sale by public auction of the articles which are of small value and for the despatch of the remaining articles to the Chairman, Prisoners of War, Information Bureaux, London.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

for Dt.Magistrate.

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Inventory of the articles of the late Dobrovich to be sent to

London.

1. Holy bible.
2 Obe photo of Mr.Dobrovich.
3 One photo of Mrs.Dobrovich
4 One photo of Mrs.Dobrovich grave.
5. Two small photos of relatives of Mr.Dobrovich.
6. One leather dressing case containing:
7. (a)two bundles of private letters and writings.
8. (b)two Japanese pictures;
9. (c)one fountain pen;
10.(d)one piece of woolen cloth;
11.(e)one common prayer book;
12.(f)one empty eye glass case;
13.(g)one ashtray;
14.(h) do;
15.(i)one money knitted purse;
16.(j)six pictures;
17.(k)one photo with frame (cycle);
18.(l)one Arabic book;
19.(m)one membership book of overseas club;
20.(n)Large photo of Mrs.Dobrovich.
21. Cash and currency note 86-6-6.
22. Gold watch and gold chain with silver soverign case. one.
23. Finger gold rings--2.
24.Watch and chain silver--one.
25.Gold cuff links. -- two sets.
26.Rolled gold cuff link -- one set.
27.Silver serveiath - ring -- one.
28.Silver card case -- one.
29.Silver cigarette case--one.
30.Spectacles rolled gold -- one.

Inventory of the articles of the late Dobrovich to be sold in public auction.

1. Leather trunk.
2. One complete tweed suit comprising 1 coat, 1 waist coat and 1 pair of trousers.
3. One complete tweed suit comprising 1 coat, 1 waist coat and a pair of trousers.
4. One complete tweed suit comprising 1 coat, 1 waistcoat and a pair of trousers.
5. One tweed coat and 1 pair of trousers.
6. One pair of trousers and one waist coat.
7.. One tweed coat and one waist coat.
8. One single waist coat.
9. --do--
10. One white wool sweater.
11. One grey Coat Sweater
12. Eight shirts.
13. One silk muffler.
14. One silk handkerchief.
15. one pair of white drill trousers.
16. One washing coat.
17. Three pairs of drawers.
18. One pyjamu drawers.
19. One towel.
20. Two table napkins.
21. One handkerchief.
22. Two tablecloths.
23. One toilet bag.
24. One small bundle of tom shirting.
25. One pair of boots with ~~trees~~ tres
26. One pair of black boots (old).
27. One pair of white canvas boots.
28. One pair of black slippers.
29. One light overcoat.
30. One thick military over coat.
31. One easy canvas chair (folded).
32. One cane table.
33. Two wooden shelves (deal wood)

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34. One dealwood box with out cover.
35. One enamel basin.
36. One blue carpet.
37. One mattress (coir)
38. One cotton blanket.
39. One wool blanket.
40. One travelling rug.
41. One wool muffler.
42. One dealwood box.
43. One dealwood case containing glass and crockery.
44. One enamel bucket.
45. One enamel cooking pot.
46. One bundle of small bamboo sticks containing one umbrella.
47. One cane basket containing medicines.
48. One bundle of clothes containing
    - (a) 4 night suits.
    - (b) one Kimono
    - (c) one torn piece of Kimono
    - (d) Three banians.
    - (e) two towels.
    - (f) two bed sheets.
    - (g) one shirt
    - (h) Four handkerchiefs
    - (i) one napkin
    - (j) one colour
    - (k) one pair of socks
    - (l) two pieces of mull
    - (m) three pillow cases

[illegible]) One silk suit containing one coat, waistcoat and trousers;

50. One tin lead box containing (a) one box with colours; (b) ~~fxm~~ five hats
51. One bamboo basket containing provisions
52. Two boxes of soaps
53. Twin tablet soaps
54. One leather bag containing boiled articles.
55. One bee time piece.
56. A collection of books totalling 32.
57. One deal stool.

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58.One canvas folding stool.

59.One tin trunk containing

(a)one complete suit comprising coat, waist coat and trousers washed.

(b) do. do.

(c)A pair of trousers.

(d)Two small paint washes

(e)one pair of trousers.

(f)Three pair of black socks.

(g)Three pairs khaki ~~xxxxx~~ socks.

(h)Two pairs colour socks.

(i)One pillow case.

(j)One ~~pillo case~~ Napkin.

(k)one cholera belt.

(l) Two white window curtains.

(m)Six brass hooks

(n)one black tie.

(o)One packet of linament.

(p)Three white handkerchiefs

(q)Three green silk handkerchief.

(r)One tin box containing cigarette holders.

(s)one wooden box containing bootlaces.

(t)One Japanese wooden box (broken) containing packet knife, scissors, pencil, soapbox.

(u)One brass paper weight (frog).

(v)One Euthymol tooth wash.

(w)One old packet of playing cards.

(x)One sharpening stone

(y)One Japan box containing 14 ties.

(z)One pair leather gaters.

(z.1)One toy wooden writing box.

(z.2)One pair of white drawers.

(z.3)Two Undervests.

(z.4)One curtain (coloured).

(z.5) do. do.

(z.6)One red table cloth.

(z.7)One fancy table cloth.

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(z.8)One large looking glass.

(z.9)One small looking glass.

(z.15)One cushion

(z.16)One cooling glasses.

(z.17)One pair white drawers.

(z[illegible])Three colours.

(z.19)Two white handkerchiefs.

(z.20)Two pair of socks.

(z.21)One black tie.

(z.22)One black and one white sewing twine.

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for District Magistrate.

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Sectt. II-8 (f)—11,004—16-1-17.

Revenue department
(Special--War)

Letter:-- No. 3199-1W d/ 8-9-19
Ref.

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
Home department.

D.O. to write
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8.9.19

paper XIII on pp5-7
of for° 1348 d 28.3.19

(I)

Sir,

I am directed to invite a reference to Mr. Young's letter No. 1941-C (Police) dated 14-3-19 forwarding a copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General in India No. 010241-8 (A.G. 7) dated 9-2-19 containing instructions for the disposal of the personal effects of deceased prisoners of war and stating that a similar procedure might be adopted in respect of civil detenus. Part III of the instructions which sets out the procedure that should be followed in regard to the disposal of personal effects, valuables, money, letters etc. of deceased prisoners does not appear to provide for sale by auction of articles of small intrinsic value ~~by~~ under the orders of the Local Government. The case that has given rise to the present reference is that of deceased prisoner of war, Dobrovich. The D.M., Salem, has submitted an inventory of his personal effects (copy enclosed) classified into (i) those that are to be sent to London and (ii) those which ~~in the opinion of the Madras Govt.~~ may be sold in public auction. Under the rules sanction of the

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Govt. of India would seem to be required for the sale by auction of the ~~things~~ goods included in ~~Item (ii)~~ the second list.

~~The Governor in Council is of the opinion~~ I am to request that power ~~should~~ be delegated in this & similar cases to the Local Govt. to auction ~~such~~ articles of small value ~~comprised in the list~~ which cannot without an ~~as it would be highly inconvenient and~~ unreasonable expense be sent ~~would besides be a waste of money to send~~ to the Prisoners of War Information Bureau, London. ~~I am to request that, if the Govt. of India see no objection to the proposal, orders may be issued accordingly.~~

pp3-6 cf

I have etc.

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No. 1202. War.

G. No. 3973
13.10.19

From

A. Macleod, Esq.,
Under Secretary to the Government of India,

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Revenue (Special) Department.

Home Department,
(Police).

Simla, the 8th October 1919.

pp 7-8 ante

Sir,

(I)

In reply to your letter No.3199-1-W, dated the 8th September 1919, I am directed to say that the Government of India sanction the proposal that the Government of Madras should exercise their discretion in the matter of auctioning articles of small value, the property of deceased prisoners of war who were interned in civil detention camps, which cannot without an unreasonable expense be sent to the Prisoners of War Information Bureau, London. In such cases the sale-proceeds should be sent. The disposal of the effects of the deceased prisoner of war Dobrovich may be dealt with by the Local Government under these orders.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

A Macleod

Under Secretary to the Government of India.

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Rev. (Spl) Dept.

(C. 3199) From the D.M. Salem No 848 d 19.8.19

(Subject – Personal effects of the deceased prisoner of war – Dobrovich).

Rules regarding the disposal of the personal effects of deceased prisoner

(I) of war are contained ~~in~~ pages 6 to 7 of G.O. No 134 Rev. d 28.3.19. In the general instruc-

p2 cf -tions contained in part III nothing is said about auctioning of the articles of the prisoner. The D.M. however sends

pp3-6 cf a list of personal effects of the deceased prisoner of war – Dobrovich recommending that the articles may be auctioned. As we have no powers to do so, for orders whether the Govt. of India may be moved for according the necessary sanction.

Sd
1-9-19

[In the case of the personal effects of prisoners of war hitherto, specific sanction of the G of I. was obtained for the sale by auction of articles of small intrinsic value – vide pp 5-6 of G.O. 134 Rev. Spl. war d 28.3.19 & para: 1 G.O.].

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Ask the Govt. of India for general powers to ~~sell~~ order the sale of articles of small intrinsic value in such cases. Cy. 3.9.19

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Draft letter is submitted

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(Letter No 3199 W - 18.9.19)

(C. 3973) From the Govt of India H.D. 1202 Police 8.10.19

Draft order is submitted

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Prisoner of war – Dobrovich

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" " 3973, " " S.G.I. H.D., " 1202 Police 8.10. 1919.

ORDER. No. 468, dated 16-10- 1919.

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1. Communicated to the D.M. Salem. ~~for the necessary action.~~

See 15.10.19 CRS 16.x.19

2. ~~The disposal of~~ the properties of the deceased prisoner Dobrovich may be ~~[illegible]~~ disposed of ~~[illegible]~~ in the manner proposed by the Dt Magte.

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D&W CRN 17/x/19

To
The D.M. Salem
(S.G.I. ya [illegible])

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