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To the Honble the Mayors Court
of
Madraspatnam

Gentlemen

Mr James Hodges the present Mayor having Requested Permission from the President and Council to Resign his Seat upon the Bench in Consequence of an appointment which will occasion his Absence from the Settlement I am Directed by them to give you that they are willing to Admit of such Resignation after you shall have Presented to them Two of your Body in Order that they may elect One to Serve in the Office of Mayor of the Town of Madraspatnam for the Remainder of the present Year

They have also Chosen Mr James Call to be an Alderman of the Mayors Court to fill the Vacancy Occasioned by the Resignation of Mr Thomas Pevney

I am Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant
Chas Cabeldu Secry

Fort St George
the 8th March 1775

To the Honble the Mayors Court
of
Madraspatnam

Gentlemen

I am Directed by the President and Council to inform you that they have Chosen George Moubray Esqr to be Mayor

Mayor of the Town of Madraspatnam for the Remainder of the
Present Year and that They are Ready to Administer the Oath Prescribed
ed by the Charter to the Mayor Elect

I am Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant

Chas. Oakeley Secry

Fort St. George
21st March 1775.

To the Honble the Mayor's Court
of
Madraspatnam

Gentlemen

I am Directed by the President and Council
to inform you that They have Chosen Mr. Charles Edward Jones to
be an Alderman of the Mayor's Court to fill the Vacancy Occasioned
by the Resignation of Mr. James Hodges

I am Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant

Chas. Oakeley Secry

Fort St. George
10th May 1775.

To James Taylor Esquire Register of the Honble
the Mayor's Court of
Madraspatnam

Sir

Through you they Desire to inform the Honble Court
that

That As, on Account of Ill Health, And the Situation of my Affairs, I be Obliged
to Remove from this Settlement I have this Day Addressed the Honble the
President and Council for their Permission to Resign my Seat as
an Alderman thereof For that Respectable Body of Men, As a Court
I cannot but Retain High Veneration for the Individuals Compos-
ing it, Much Esteem and Am Sir

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant

George Baker

Fort St. George
10th July 1775.

To the Honble the Mayor's Court
of
Madraspatnam

Gentlemen

I am Directed by the President and Council to
inform you that They have Chosen Mr. John Douglas to be an Alderman
of the Mayor's Court to fill the Vacancy Occasioned by the Resignation
of Mr. George Baker

I am Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant

Chas. Oakeley Secry

Fort St. George
18th July 1775.

To Mr. James Taylor

Register of the Honble the Mayor's Court

Sir

I am Directed by the President and Council to Enclose
you an Extract from the Company's General Letter Dated the 23d Decr.

Last

Last and to Desire you will lay the same before the Honble the Mayors Court

I am Sir

Your Most Obdient Servant

Chas Oakeley Secry

Fort St George
6th August 1775

Extract from the Honble Company's General Letter to Fort St George Dated the 23d of December 1774

Upon the Subject of the Letter from the Mayors Court to the President and Council Referred to in the 105th Para of the General Letter of the 28th Feby 1772 We are of Opinion that Upon the non performance of the Decree or Order of that Court after Service thereof on the Defendant and an Affadavid made of such Service Application should be made to the Court that an Attachment may Issue Against the Party for Disobedience to such Decree or Order which Motion must be Supported by Affadavits to Satisfy the Court of the Breach of the Same on which the Court will make an Order for the Defendant to Shew Cause why an Attachment Should not Issue Against him for the Contempt and he will then have an opportunity by Affadavit to Shew the Court if he can that he has not been Guilty of such offence and the Court will grant or not grant the Attachment as they shall See Cause But if the Decree is of such a nature that the Court can Order Execution of it as for Possessions of House or Land then the Application must be to the Court to Issue such writ of Execution which the Sheriff or the proper Officer to Execute

A true Extract

Chas Oakeley Secry

To Mr. James Taylor

Regr of the Honble the Mayors Court

Sir

I am Ordered by the Honble Court of Appeals to Acquaint you that John Harrison of London in the Kingdom of England Esqr by his Attorney Alexander Wynch of Masulipatam Esqr by his Attorneys John Maxwell Stone and William Wynch of Fort St George Merchants did Yesterday Lodge an Appeal in the said Court from a Decree of the Honble the Mayors Court held on Tuesday the 12th Day of September 1775 in a Cause wherein the said John Harrison by his Attorney Alexander Wynch of Masulipatam Esqr by his Attorneys John Maxwell Stone and William Wynch of Fort St George Merchants was Complainant and [illegible] Smith of Fort St George Merchant Defendant which you will Please to Signify to the Honble the Mayors Court that they may give Order for Laying before the Honble the Court of Appeals the several Papers Exhibited in the said Cause

I am Sir

Your Most Obedient Humble Servant

Chas Oakeley

Fort St George
26th September 1775

Chief Dept

To the Honble the Mayors Court of Madraspatnam

Gentlemen

I am Directed by the President and Council to inform you

you that they have Elected Mr. George Proctor to be an Alderman of the Mayors Court to fill the Vacancy Occasioned by the Resignation of Mr. John Douglas—

I am Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant

Chas. Oakeley
Secry

Fort St. George
2d. November 1773—

New Prison April 11th 1773—

Honble Sir

The Two Last Weeks I laid before you Two Several Memorials Relative to my Creditors not paying me the Customary Batta to which I now humbly Refer having Received no Answer only a Verbal one of the Last Request—

I humbly Request that I may be favoured with your and the Honble Courts Answer to my Two Memorials that in future I may know how to Act and if my Creditors have not Obeyed the Order of Court made in the Mayoralty of Andrew Ross Esqr. that I may Reap the same Benifit other Christians formerly have Done—

With the Greatest Respect
I am Honble Sir
Your Most Obdt. Servant
Philipjeus Manakiawo

George Moubray Esqr.
Mayor Fort St. George.

New Prison April 13th 1773—

Honble Sir

Yesterday afternoon and not sooner the Revd. James Taylor Esqr. favoured me with a Copy of the Extract from the Minutes of the Court Dated Tuesday April 6th wherein it is Declared that your Worships did in Consequence of a Memorial wrote by me Relative many Creditors not paying me Batta Agreeable to the Standing Rule of Practice and Order of the Honble the Mayors Court made in the Mayoralty of Andrew Ross Esqr. Send for Ramanjoloo on Tuesday March 28th. And informed him that it was his Duty and Business to pay the Batta Due to me Regularly and that Ramanjoloo must do it Immediately or that I would be Released the Next Day March 29th. Agreeable to the Rule of Court made for that purpose I perceive further that Ramanjoloo being called upon Publickly Acknowledged that he had not paid me any Batta Since your Worships Ordered him the eight Days had Elapsed And I had the Honour April 3d. of Acquainting your Worships that no Person had tendered me any Batta in Consequence of my Letter to your Worships untill March 31st. Three Days after I saw that your Worships had Ordered Ramanjoloo to pay me all the Arrears of Batta then Due to Me 132 Days and that Mr. Du Pays Servant on March 31st. Last but me 30 Days Batta only in lieu of 136 Days that Day Did Declaring that he had no Orders to pay me more Batta As Neither your Worships Order nor the Standing Rule of Practice were fully fulfilled by Ramanjoloo I humbly pray to be Released Immediately from the Suit of Ramanjoloo—Yesterday afternoon being the first Day heard of your Worships order or saw the Extract from the Minutes of Court so that it was impossible for me to Acquaint your Worships Sooner of Ramanjoloos Disobedience of your Positive Order and my Desire on Tuesday Last to have your Worships Answer to my Several Memorials in writing was on Acct. of my being so Ill that several Mistakes had happened by the

Evasion

Transcript of Ramanjeloo's 30 Page's Petition and Letter of 156 Pages —

I am Hon^ble Sir
with the greatest Respect
Your most Obed^t Servant
Philippus Ramanjacanoo

To the Hon^ble the Mayor's Court
of
Madraspatnam.
Gentlemen

I am Directed by the President and Council to
Acquaint you that they have Chosen Mr. Dyer's Person to be and is
Alderman of the Mayor's Court to fill the Vacancy Occasioned by the
Death of Mr. John Rainbow — I am
Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient
humble Servant
Fort S^t George
2^d November 1775. Cha^s Oakeley Sec^y

To Mr. James Taylor
Register of the Hon^ble the Mayor's Court

Sir I am Ordered by the Hon^ble Court of Appeals
to Acquaint you that Ignacio de Rozario of Saint Thome Inhabitant
did Yesterday lodge an Appeal in the said Court from a Decree of
the Hon^ble the Mayor's Court held on Tuesday the 17^th Day of
November 1775 in a Cause wherein the said Ignacio de Rozario
of Saint Thome Inhabitant was Defendant and Manoel Chowry
Master of Madras Inhabitant Complainant which you will
please to Signify to the Hon^ble the Mayor's Court that they may
give Orders for Laying before the Hon^ble the Court of Appeals the Several
Papers Exhibited in the said Cause — I am Sir
Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant
Fort S^t George
28^th November 1775. Cha^s Oakeley Sec^y

To the Hon^ble the Mayor's Court
of
Madraspatnam
Gentlemen

I am Directed by the President and Council to
Acquaint you that they have Chosen Mr. John Lewin Senior who with Mr.
Dyer Sworn was Presented to them on Tuesday the 5^th Instant agreeable
to the Charter to be Mayor of Madraspatnam for the Ensuing Year
and that the President or in his Absence the two Senior of the Council
Resident at this Settlement will be Ready on the 20^th Instant at
10 o'Clock in the forenoon to Administer the Oaths Prescribed by
the Charter to the Mayor Elect
I have Likewise their Directions to Acquaint you that
that have Elected Mr. Matthew Court of Fort S^t George Merchant
to be Sheriff of Madras patnam and the Districts thereof for the
Ensuing Year I am
Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant
Fort S^t George
1^st December 1775. Cha^s Oakeley Sec^y

To

To the Hönble the Mayor's Court
of Madraspatnam
Gentlemen

Mr. Matthew Court being excused from serving in the Office of Sheriff of Madraspatnam for the Ensuing Year I am Ordered by the Right Hönble the President and Council to inform you that they have Elected Mr. Basil Cochrane to that Office in his Room.

I am Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant
Chas. Oakeley Secry

Fort St. George
16th December 1775.

To Mr. James Taylor
Register of the Hönble the Mayor's Court
Sir

I am Ordered by the Hönble Court of Appeals to Acquaint you that Matherboom Mirzams of Chadras Merchant Did Yesterday Lodge an Appeal in the said Court from an Extract of the Minutes of the Hönble the Mayor's Court held on Tuesday the 5th Instant in a Cause wherein the said Matherboom Mirziam was Complainant and Shrumwas shea Defendant which you will Please to Signify to the Hönble the Mayor's Court that they may give Orders for laying before the Hönble the Court of Appeals the Several Papers Exhibited in the said Cause

I am Sir
Your Most Obedient Humble Servant
Chas. Oakeley Secry

Fort St. George
the 1st of December 1775.