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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—from

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF FORT ST. GEORGE,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to report, for the information of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, the death on the 5th instant of Kerala Varma, the Elaya Raja of Travancore. The deceased prince was the eldest son of the late Parvati Bai, the junior Rani. The Resident states that Prince Rama Varma, the second son of the junior Rani, succeeds to the position of Elaya Raja of the State, and with reference to paragraph 4 of your letter, dated 21st September 1885, No. 3223-I, I am to recommend that he may be so recognised.

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

FORT ST. GEORGE, 13th December 1895. J. F. PRICE, Chief Secretary. Death of Kerala Varma, and succession of Rama Varma.

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No. 58-I., dated Fort William, the 4th January 1896.

From-O. V. Bosanquet, Esq., Officiating Under-Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department,

To-The Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 841 (Political), dated the 13th December 1895, reporting the death of Kerala Varma, the Elaya Raja of Travancore.

2. The Governor-General in Council is pleased to recognise the succession of Rama Varma, second son of the late Junior Rani Parvati Bai, to the position of Elaya Raja of the State.