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[Despatch Abstract.]

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Mudr, Clerk in the office of the D. S. D., after
the 5th April 1904.

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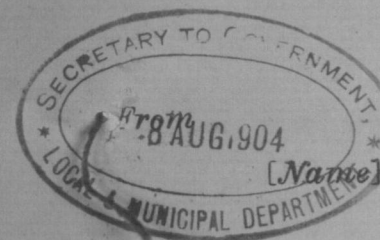
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Educational (190⁴) Department.

CURRENT No. 1393



The Hon'ble Mr. A.G. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S.,

[Designation] Director of Public Instruction,

[Station] Madras.

NRRef. No. Cur No. 6527 of 04

Received 8-8-190⁴

Dated 6th August 190⁴

Enclosures one Registered 8-8-190⁴

SUBJECT.

Submitting with remarks a memorial from K. Ranganadha Mudaliar, late 8th clerk of this office.

BACK PAPERS.

To 357 = 96-02, copy with note.

FURTHER PAPERS.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Educational Department.

Sir,

Current No. 6527 of 190₄, From K. Ranganadha Mudaliar No. dated 29th July 04

N. Ref on Cur No. 6527 of 04 dated 6th August 04

Submitted to Government.

2. The question of granting furlough for one year to the petitioner was referred to Government in my letter Ref on Cur No. 3236 of 04 dated 9th May 1904 read in G.O. No. 357 Educational dated 9th June last.

3. This office was not aware of the fact that the Surgeon, 1st District, had recommended the petitioner for any leave as stated in paras 5, 6, and 13 of the petition.

A. F. Bowring

Director of Public Instruction.

5-18-04

To

His Excellency the Governor in Council,

Fort Saint George,

MADRAS.

Through the Director of Public Instruction.

*The Humble memorial of K. RANGANATHA
MUDALIAR, late 8th & Acting 7th Clerk,
Office of the Director of Public Instruc-
tion, Madras.*

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH THAT

The Memorialist entered the Office of the Director of Public Instruction as Temporary Clerk in May 1887, was confirmed as Reader or 2nd Clerk on Rs. 15 on the 1st January 1889 and rose during the 15 years of qualifying service he had put in, to the position of Acting 7th Clerk on Rs. 50. The Memorialist, who had held this acting appointment for about 2½ years, was, on the eve of being confirmed in it, forced to retire from the service as the result of an anonymous petition.

2. The Memorialist had throughout his service been a Record Clerk and was discharging his duties so very satisfactorily that, though there was another Record Keeper who drew higher pay than himself, he was entrusted with the references of all important papers. Consequently he was never allowed to avail himself of privilege leave or any other long leave and he had, thus forfeited his claim for more than 15 months' privilege leave and one year's furlough to which he was entitled and which he might have availed himself of, if the difficulty of granting leave referred to did not exist. On one of his applications Dr. D. Duncan endorsed thus:—"Forwarded to the Secretary to the Surgeon-General and strongly recommended. The applicant has worked well in this office and is a very deserving man" and on the eve of his retirement, recorded the following remarks in the Service Book:—"Employed in the Record-room where he has proved himself very efficient."

3. The Memorialist begs to submit that he is suffering from a non-contagious disease which Hindu physicians designate *Karakam* and which European doctors consider signs and symptoms of leprosy. Had he been suffering from any other disease he could not do the work entrusted to him without rest, for the last 15 years.

4. In September last an anonymous petition, alleging that the Memorialist was suffering from a bad disease, was addressed to the late Mr. G. H. Stuart, late Director of Public Instruction, and on this the Memorialist was sent for by Mr. T. R. Scott, the Personal Assistant, who examined the Memorialist's hands and legs. Subsequently in October late Mr. G. H. Stuart closely observed the Memorialist while he was at work in the record one evening. Presumably he was satisfied that there were no symptoms of leprosy on the person of the Memorialist and he was

allowed to continue in service. This was not the first time. There was a similar complaint during the time of Dr. D. Duncan. The then Personal Assistant also examined the Memorialist and said that it was Karakam. A few months later a Deputy Director was appointed and there was a change in the personnel of the Director. The anonymous writer, who did not wish to miss this opportunity, wrote again in February last, presumably reminding the Director of his former petition. The Memorialist was again sent for and examined but on this occasion by the Deputy Director, Mr. E. W. Middlemast. The Memorialist explained the foregoing circumstances to that gentleman and represented that he stood very much in need of leave and rest. The Deputy Director promised to consider his application for leave whereon the Memorialist submitted one on the 23rd February 1904 for privilege leave for one month. (Copy enclosed.)

5. To his great disappointment the Memorialist was informed on this application for leave that he should appear before the Surgeon before the leave could be granted. The Memorialist accordingly appeared on the 1st March 1904 before the Surgeon of the 1st District and the Surgeon was pleased to recommend him for 3 months' privilege leave and one year's furlough prior to the final examination, thinking that the disease might be cured by that time.

6. The medical certificate was forwarded to the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras for countersignature and before it was received in the Office the Memorialist was directed on the evening of the 4th March 1904 to avail himself of the leave in anticipation of sanction from the 5th March 1904 by the Director, who evidently had private information from the Surgeon regarding the fact of the Memorialist having been recommended for leave. The Memorialist availed himself of the leave and left Madras for Tirukalikundram, a sanitarium near Chingleput for treatment, after reporting the same to the Manager.

7. The anonymous writer whose purpose it perhaps did not suit that the Memorialist should go on leave, it appears, wrote another anonymous petition this time to the Surgeon-General who called on the Surgeon to invalid the Memorialist.

8. While the Memorialist was enjoying the leave at Tirukalikundram he received an order from the Director directing him to re-appear before the Surgeon. The Memorialist obeyed the order of the Director and appeared before the Surgeon on the 31st March 1904. He this time invalidated him on the 5th April 1904 exactly after one month from the date of availing himself of the leave (*i.e.*, 5th March 1904).

9. The Memorialist thereon prayed that he might be permitted to avail himself of the leave which, it is respectfully submitted, he was allowed to enjoy in anticipation of the receipt of the medical certificate in which he was first recommended for leave. (Copy enclosed).

10. The Memorialist was surprised to find that Government had in its Order No. 357, Educational, dated 9th June 1904, refused to grant him leave. This order, the Memorialist submits, is a death blow to him in that it deprives him of the leave to which under the provisions of the Civil Service Regulations he is entitled, and in what is even more serious that it deprives him of the chance of being re-examined by a Medical Officer at the end of the leave to determine the question

of his fitness or otherwise to continue in service as he is now improving in his health.

11. The Memorialist submits that his case is on all fours with that of M.R.Ry. T. K. Sankara Aiyar, Sub-Registrar of Vriddhachalam, in whose case the Government took a lenient view in G.O., No. 1586, Judicial, dated 18th October 1902. The Memorialist begs respectfully to invite the gracious attention of His Excellency the Governor in Council to the circumstance that at the time the Director directed the Memorialist to avail himself of the leave to which he was eligible and which the Surgeon recommended, there was not the remotest idea of his being retired.

12. The Memorialist humbly begs to submit that he is the father of three sons, of whom the first is now in the IV. Form, &c. The amount of pension the Memorialist is entitled to at present, will barely cover the expenses which the Memorialist has to incur in connection with their education.

13. In conclusion the Memorialist earnestly prays that His Excellency the Governor in Council will be graciously pleased to consider the miserable and forlorn condition in which the loss of appointment has placed him after serving Government conscientiously without availing himself of any leave for 15 years and, in the light of the facts put forth above, to reconsider the order contained in G.O., No. 357, Educational, dated 9th June 1904, to commute the sick leave granted to the Memorialist from the 5th March to the 5th April last in Director's Proceedings, Dis. No. 3840, dated 15th June 1904, into privilege leave since there is nothing to the contrary in the Civil Service Regulations, and to grant him, as a very special case, 2 months' privilege leave and 1 year's furlough in continuation as recommended by the Surgeon at first or to grant him furlough or leave on medical certificate for one year in continuation of the leave already sanctioned in the above order.

And that the Memorialist, as in duty bound, shall ever pray.

The Humble Memorialist begs to remain,

Gracious Lord,

Your Excellency's most obedient,

dutiful and devoted Servant,

MADRAS, 29th July, 1904.

K. Rangaswami

28, COMARAPPA MUDR. ST.,
PEDDU NAICK'S PETT,
BLACK TOWN,
MADRAS.

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Madras, 23rd February 1904.

To

The Director of Public Instruction,

M a d r a s.

Sir,

I beg to request that you will be good enough to grant me privilege leave for one month from the 25th instant so that I may perform certain ceremonies at Tirukalikundram in this month and spend the remainder of the leave at that station to recruit my health.

I beg to add that I have not availed myself hitherto of any leave except ^{casual} leave and that this is my first application for privilege leave since my entertainment in this office 15 years ago.

I beg to attach the usual declaration.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. Panjandhara B.

(True Copy)

W. Panjandhara B.

Madras, 8th April 1904.

To

The Director of Public Instruction,

Madras.

~~Sir~~ Honoured Sir,

I beg most respectfully to submit that I was first entertained in your honour's office as Temporary clerk in May 1887 and taken on the permanent establishment on 1st January 1889. I had been discharging the duties entrusted to me to the entire satisfaction of my superiors. On several occasions I applied for leave but it was refused on the ground that the work of the record section would suffer. I was thus forced to work without rest for the last 15 years and this I could not do had I been suffering from any disease. Last September a kind friend of mine wrote an anonymous petition to the Mr. G.H. Stuart that I was suffering from a bad disease. He directed the Personal Assistant to examine me. I explained to the Personal Assistant that I was not suffering from that disease but from Karakam which is caused by the excessive heat and over work. In July last I asked Mr. V. Krishnaswami Jatavallabar who was then acting as manager to recommend me for one month's privilege leave. He told me that he would recommend me in October following. Unfortunately Mr. G.H. Stuart died in November; so I did not apply for leave as there was change of Directorship. In the latter part of February Mr. Middlemast sent for me one evening and examined me. I explained everything to him and at the same time told him that I require leave. He replied that he would consider. Therefore I applied for one month's privilege leave. You honour ordered me to appear before the Surgeon before the leave could be granted. I obeyed your honour's order. The Surgeon recommended me for 3 months' privilege leave and 1 year furlough prior to the final examination. The certificate was sent to the Surgeon-General for countersignature. In the meantime my kind friend again wrote an anonymous petition to the Surgeon-General that I should not be granted leave etc. Therefore the Surgeon-General cancelled the certificate which he had countersigned and asked the Surgeon to invalidate me. So

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the Surgeon asked your honour to direct me to re-appear before him. At that time I was at Tirukalikunram. I therefore asked your honour to grant me 20 days' time. This request was not complied with and I was directed to appear before the Surgeon forthwith. So I obeyed your Honour's order.

In conclusion I request your honour to seriously consider the miserable and forlorn condition in which the loss of appointment has placed me after serving Government without availing any leave for 15 years and to grant me the leave for 15 months (3 months' privilege leave and 1 year's furlough) recommended by the Surgeon. If the leave is granted it will count towards my service and add a few annas to my pension which I shall consider as a great boon received from your honour's hands.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

K. Ranganatha Mudali

(True Copy)

K. Ranganatha Mudali

[E.]

1,500-7-10-01.

C. No. 1373 From the D.P.P.

No 6527, dated 6-8-1904

SUBJECT.

Memorial from K. Ranganatha Mudali
late Clerk D.P.P.'s office.

D.P.P.'s letter m page 2 of 2.
357 Dd 19-6-04.

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Certificate m page 2 of 2.

J.

So. No 357 Dd 19-6-04.

J.

As it was suspected that Clerk Ranganatha Mudali of the Director's office was suffering from leprosy, he was sent before the Surgeon of the First District for medical examination on the 18th of March 1904. The Surgeon granted him an invaliding certificate on that date and the Surgeon General countersigned the certificate on the 5th April. ^{The Clerk then} ~~In the mean time~~ he put in an application for 15 months combined leave and the Director requested permission to grant him a year's furlough from the 5th March the date from which he was permitted to be absent from duty. The ~~for~~ ^{for} ~~him~~ said in reply that no leave could be granted after the 5th April, the date of the invaliding certificate and that from the period from 5th March to 5th April he might be granted furlough or leave on medical certificate.

2. The memorial from Ranganatha Mudali now forwarded by the Director is for a reconsideration of these orders. In this memorial it is stated that the Surgeon first recommended the memorialist for three months privilege leave and one year's furlough but subsequently at the instance of the Surgeon General invalided him on the 31st March. This statement is not borne out by the

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certificate which was forwarded by the Surgeon on the 1st March. Even if a certificate recommending leave might have been originally granted it was no more valid as it must then have been substituted by the invaliding certificate of the 1st March and it was this invaliding certificate that was countersigned by the Surgeon General. The Director says he knew nothing about the certificate said to have been originally granted recommending leave.

3. The question whether Ranganatha Mudali could be granted any leave after he was invalided was very carefully & fully considered before G.O. No. 357 Sd of 9th June 1904 was passed. It does not appear that there is any reason now for a re-consideration. Even if as the man says he was first recommended for combined leave, his application for such leave is dated 8th April or three days after an invaliding certificate was granted. Please see paras: 8 & 9 of the memorial & the application on pages 11 & 12 of the current file.

PH
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23.8.4

The nature of the war position is certified to the Comd, cannot be questioned.
The question of grant of leave on full pay to return home has been fully considered & negatived. There are no grounds for reconsideration.

HD
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of 9-6-04. J.

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