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Not to be folded or roughly handled

I Certify that Goundapah
Head Sherikadar of Tanjore appeared
before me last year, and again today
for the purpose of having my opinion
on the state of his eyes.

Last year his vision was very im-
perfect, requiring the use of convex glasses
of a high power - now, these glasses are of
little or no use, and the nervous power is
evidently becoming more impaired from
the continued over exertion of his eyes.
In my opinion, complete rest from any
work entailing a continuous use of
his eyes, is absolutely necessary to avert
total loss of useful vision.

Madras.
10th May 1886.

J. Shaw M.D.
Superint. Eye Infirmary

I do hereby certify, that I have on several occasions carefully examined Goon-
dopah the Head Sheristadar of the Collectorate
of Tanjore, and am of opinion, that from failing
sight, he is permanently disqualified for further
active service, and that, there is no likelihood
of his deriving any benefit from medical
treatment or relaxation from duty for a
period of twelve months.

I am further of opinion, that his present
state of impaired vision, is the result of con-
tinued over-exertion of his eyes, particularly
by candle light and not the consequence of
intemperance or any indiscretion of his own.

Combaconum
1st Decr. 1856

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To Mr.

24th November 1856

To

J. W. Cherry Esq.

Acting Collector of Tanjore.

Sir

I commenced my official career,

on the 19th May 1820, as a Buyer Mootsuddy in the

Bellary District on a pay of Rs 5-13-4 per month.

On the 1st November of the same year, I was

promoted to the Magistrate's Mootsuddy office

of 17 Rs pay, and up to the 19th April 1827, I

filled several offices in that and the Chittoor

Districts. On the 20th April 1827, I was nominated

to the Office of Second Naib Sheristadar in

the Tanjore Collectorate, and continued in

it until the 7th February 1829, drawing a

salary of Rs 100 for some months and 150 for

the rest of the period. On the 8th February 1829

I was appointed Division Sheristadar in

the same District on the usual salary of

Rs 175, and held that Office till the end

of April 1839, when, having in the interim

The 6th & 6th of 20.6.1856
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Done by "Cherry" 18.12.1857

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been offered the Head Sheristadarships of both
Mysore and Bellary, I was selected for the
Head Sheristadarship of the Bellary District
on the 1st May 1839. After twenty five months
stay there, I was transferred to the same office
in the Tanjore Collectorate on the 1st June 1841,
and I now continue in this office, having
attained on the 1st May 1855 the highest rate
of salary, i.e. Rs 700 per month, allowed to
Head Sheristadars under the rules of
government.

2 The total period of my service
up to the date of this application amounts
to ^{years months days} 36 - 6 - 11, and it will be observed
from the accompanying statement A
that it has been uninterrupted.

3 It will be further observed
from another statement B which also
accompanies, that, from July 1839 in which
I was appointed Division Sheristadar,
to July 1865, being 27 years, the government
have derived from the Districts of which
I have been Sheristadar a net increase
of Revenue to the amount of ^{Rs}

Rs 10,436,712 resulting from a gross Revenue
of Rs 9,153,589, as compared with that
obtained in the same number of previous years.

4 They leave to refer you to the
accompanying Book marked C containing
true copies of Testimonials granted to me by
the several gentlemen under whom I have
had the happiness of serving, for proof of the
zeal, diligence and faithfulness with which
I have all along acquitted myself, and
of the honesty which I have preserved during
the long course of 36½ years.

5 The duties that devolved upon
me as Head Sheristadar in the Bellary and
Tanjore Districts - the most extensive
provinces under this Presidency - have been
indeed very onerous, and they have been
frequently increased in the latter by repeated
changes in the Naib Sheristadar's Department.
I was consequently obliged to meet them
by increased labour, and the result of close
application to official business almost
the whole day and long in the night, as also

3 printed.

x some of the
originals also
accompany as
per List marked D.

of looking into the Ladpan accounts which
have been hitherto in use in the majority of
cases, has greatly impaired my sight. I consulted
several Doctors including Doctor Shaw the
government Dentist at the Presidency and
Doctor Joseph at Combaconum as to the
possibility of restoring strength to my eyes,
and they are unanimous in advising me
to give up work altogether as the only means
of preserving my eyesight. Doctor Shaw's
written opinion of my case is annexed. -
I feel that I am unable efficiently and
satisfactorily longer to perform the duties of
Sheristadar, and my regard for the interests
of the Public Service - induces me to seek
retirement thus early in life, tho I do not
labor under any other bodily infirmity.

I therefore request that you will
be pleased to submit my case for the
favourable consideration of the Board and
Government and to procure for me a
Pension of Rs. 350 per mensem, to be continued
after my life to my children at the reduced
rate of Rs. 250 a month - Looking to the
liberality of Government evinced in several

Cases, I venture to trust this indulgence
will not be refused to me, who has served
faithfully and honestly for a continuous
period of upwards of 36½ years - of which
nearly 30 years have been passed in
responsible situations involving arduous
and anxious duties demanding incessant
labor and an unusual degree of attention
and whose agency has contributed to
increase the revenues of Government to
an amount of upwards of Ten millions
of Rupees in round numbers.

I would further press the
consideration that it is solely on account
of unremitting attention to my public
duties that I am now suffering from
impaired sight - an evil from which
I cannot hope to recover.

I beg leave to remain
Sir
Your most obedient and
humble servant.

(Sign of) Joonchupah
Head Sheristadar

Bellamy Collector's office

6th December 1856

To

The Acting Collector

of Sanyia

Sir,

6th December 1856

I have the honor to acknowledge

the receipt of your letter of 26th
Ultimo No 1106 and beg to inform you that
the services of Gondaspah the Head
Arestador of your District have been
verified from the records of this office
as per list sent by you and returned
with my Counter signature

I have &c

Signed/ C. Bellamy

Collector of Bellamy

True Copy

[Signature]

Acting Collector

[Signature]

The L. & C. of 30 June
210 of 1857
Dated 11/12/56

1856
Dated 11/12/56

The Acting Collector

Sanyia

Chief Clerk

for the Government

Dated 11/12/56

of the Government of the
Province of Sanyia

7/1856

Received on 11/12/56

for the Government

for the Government of Sanyia

No 755

North West
Collector's Cutchery
Chittoor 6th Decemr 1856

To

The Acting Collector
of Tanjore District
Chittoor 6 Dec 1856 No 755

I have the honor, with re-
ference to your letter of the 26th ultimo
No 1104 to inform you that the period
of Service of Gondasah in this District
is 1-8-19, which agrees with the
period specified in the list furnished
by you with the letter under reply.

I have &c

Signed / C. Whittingham
Collector of North West

True Copy

W. Keen
Acting Collector

Confd

Recd to End of 30 June
1856
No 135155 / P. 11. 15

1856
Deputy
Collector

Revenue
Collector

Chittoor

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government

Copy from the Collect
or's Office -

Chittoor - 1856

71868
No 11/29

N^o 1198

Tanjore

Kallum 18th Decemba

1856.

From

J. W. Cherry Esq^{re}
Acting Collector of
Tanjore

To

T. Tyerost Esq^{re}
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

Referring to the 11th Para of
my letter of the 12th Instant, I have
the honor to enclose copies of the re-
plies received from the Collectors of
North Arcot & Bellary verifying the
statement of services rendered by
Goundapah the Head Sheristadar of
this Collectorate in each of those Dis-
tricts.

I take this opportunity of
requesting that you will be pleased
to cause the date of application to
Government to be altered in the Register
which

Wait till to day of 20th June
1856-1857 (Ran. No 113)

1856

Departed

in a letter

from

The Collector

to Government

To

The Chief Secretary

to Government

Copy from the

Collection of Letters

to Government

from J. W. Cherry Esq^{re}

to Government

to Government

to Government

to Government

which accompanied my letter from 11th to
12th December which is the date of my
communication.

The date at the post of the
Register should also be altered to 12th.

I have the honour to,

Tanjore }
Vallur }
18th Dec^r 1856 }

Sir,

Your Most Obedt^t Serv^t

W. Keen

Acting Collector

To
To Pierpont Esq^r

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. Georges

At

Dept of Service

St. L. to Eng of 30 June
No. 126, 1857, Parcel No. 15

Com. by Capt. 1857

~~St. L. to Eng~~
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St. L. to Eng

St. L. to Eng of 30 June
No. 13 of 1857
Parcel No. 15

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List of Service performed by Goundapah Head Sheristadar of Bangalore up to the end of November 1856

Name of the District	Name of the situation and date of appointment &c	Period for which the salary continued for month in each office -	Summs from the head Assistant Collector - 19 th May 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Lager Maatuddy at Chautem-halle in the Cumpublic Salook from 19 th May to 31 st October 1820 -	years 0 12 0	Summs from the Principal Collector & D. G. Bell - 15 th May 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Maatuddy at Chautem-halle from 1 st Nov to 15 th Nov 1820 -	" 15 17 "	Summs from the Principal Collector & D. G. Bell - 15 th May 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Lager Maatuddy at Chautem-halle from 1 st Nov to 11 th July 1821 -	" 7 26 18 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Lager Maatuddy at Chautem-halle from 1 st July 1821 to 1 st July 1824 -	2 11 21 40 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Sheristadar of the Sandputry Talook from 2 nd July 1824 to 31 st July 1825 -	1 1 40 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Lager Maatuddy at Chautem-halle from 1 st July 1825 to 25 th September 1825 -	" 1 25 40 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Lager Maatuddy at Chautem-halle from 26 th Sept 1825 to 30 th April 1826 -	" 7 5 40 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Lager Maatuddy at Chautem-halle from 1 st May 1826 to 19 th April 1827 -	" 11 19 20 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Second Deputy Sheristadar from 20 th April 1827 to 7 th Feb 1830 -	2 9 19 100 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Sheristadar to the Sub Collector from 8 th Feb 1830 to 30 th Apr 1839 -	9 2 24 175 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Sheristadar from 1 st May 1839 to 31 st May 1841 -	2 1 280 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Sheristadar from 1 st June 1841 to 30 th Apr 1844 -	2 11 280 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Sheristadar from 1 st May 1844 to 30 th Apr 1845 -	1 " 350 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Sheristadar from 1 st May 1845 to 30 th Apr 1850 -	5 " 437 8 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Sheristadar from 1 st May 1850 to 30 th Apr 1855 -	5 " 525 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Sheristadar from 1 st May 1855 to 30 th Apr 1856 -	1 7 700 "	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -
Dodd Ballari	Total -	36 6 17	Summs from 18 th Nov to 18 th Nov 1820 -

* These Officers will not be found in the April Lists, in as much as in the first two years paid from the unpaid salaries of several situations, and in the last from the De-
partment Fund - The period during which I was employed in the former will, I trust,
be allowed to count as service with reference to Para 2 of the Government Order of the
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Register of an application for a Superannuation Pension
Government under date the 15th May 1857

Name of the person by whom the pension is applied for with the name of his father	Is on the establishment	Description of applicants service	Feet	Inches	Years	Months	Days	Age of applicant at the time of application	Religion caste or tribe	Where Standing
Gundaspach son of Nusooda- waspach	"	Amole on the left breast	5	3	54	*	27	Testes to be legion Bras- maie testis	Bellary	Where Standing
									Pagadung	
									Jaggatwadding	
									Shard Shari ladar	
									Present employment	

* The age of the applicant as set forth appears to be correct.

W. C. Cole

from the establishment of the Collectors of Sanyore proposed in the rules passed by

Year from the	Salary paid there	Applicants receive salaries or not	How long they are and in what circumstances	Date of application to Government	Average salary or emolument of allowance for previous years preceding the date of application	Salary or emolument of official allowance for previous years of application	Abstract of the grounds of application	Bears the highest character Remarks by the head of office	Number as proposed amount of Pension premium to his children to commence from the 1 st of January 1857	Salary Treasury of Comptroller in the District of Sanyore	Amount at which the party if proposed wishes to draw his pen- sion	Order of Government
36 6		Continued		12 th X 16 December 1856	380 68 700		Incapacitated from impaired sight	Bears the highest character	As per 350 to Grandfather and 233-3-4 and date from which to commence from the 1 st of January 1857	Salary Treasury of Comptroller in the District of Sanyore		

Sanyore
12th
Hth December
1856

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in and date of	Period for which he continued in each office	Salary per Month
Commenced in the 10 th to 31 st October 1820	" 5 15	5 15 4
" from 1 st to 15 th	" 5 17	"
" 16 th to December 1820	" 7 26	18
" 1821 to 1 st July 1824	" 11 21	40
" 2 nd July 1824 to 1 st July 1825	" 1 1	40

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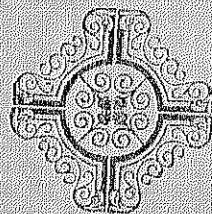
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TESTIMONIALS &c.

RECEIVED BY

GOONDUPPAH,

HEAD SHERISTADAR

OF

TANJORE.

TANJORE:—Printed by R. SELVUM CHETTY,
at the Collectorate's Press.

1856.

No. 1.

Certificate given by A. D. CAMPBELL, Esquire, Principal Collector of Bellary.

THIS is to certify that the bearer of this paper, a young Bramin named GOONDUPPAH, served me for three years whilst I was Collector of Bellary; his natural talents and quickness first attracted my notice, and I raised him gradually to the situation of one of my Moonshees. He acquired considerable knowledge and experience under me, and I think will prove a valuable and zealous public servant. I have a favorable opinion of his principles; and he has frequently evinced his honesty, zeal, candour and gratitude. Though not yet completely educated as a Revenue servant, I entertained a higher opinion of his capacity and principles than of most of my other public servants in Bellary, and I feel assured that, in his future career, he will not prove unworthy of the very favorable terms in which I have spoken of him. He is the only servant under me at Bellary whom I take the liberty of recommending to the notice of my successors.

(Signed) A. D. CAMPBELL.

29th September, 1824.

No. 2.

Letter from M. GOLDINGHAM, Esquire, Sub Collector of Tanjore.
GOONDUPPAH,

On leaving Combaconum, I have much pleasure in expressing to you, the complete satisfaction I have at all times experienced from your faithfulness and diligence in business. By continuing in the same course you will possess the satisfaction of doing your duty, and gain the esteem and confidence of your employers.

*Believe me,
Your friend,

(Signed) M. GOLDINGHAM.

Combaconum, 30th November, 1831.

No. 3.

*Letter to N. W. KINDERSLEY, Esquire, Principal Collector, from
Sir H. C. MONTGOMERY, Bart, Sub Collector of Tanjore.*

To
The Principal Collector of
Tanjore.

SIR,

On resigning the Office of Sub Collector in your district, I beg permission to record my opinion of the Division Sheristadar GOONDUPPAH.

During the five years that he has been employed with me, I have had ample means of witnessing the indefatigable zeal and ability with which he has conducted his duties. On no occasion can I call to mind having had necessity to find the smallest fault with him. His conciliatory manners and excellent temper render him alike agreeable to his superiors and inferiors in Office, while the firmness of his character and the soundness of his judgment, added to great experience, have rendered his advice and assistance invaluable to them on all occasions. Of his integrity I cannot but have the highest opinion, having never during the ten years that I have served in the Provinces, met with a Native on whom I could place more implicit confidence.

I need scarcely add that with the qualifications above enumerated, I consider GOONDUPPAH a most excellent and invaluable public servant, and I trust that he will continue to maintain with my successors the high character which I have much pleasure in recording of him.

I have, &c. &c.,

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERY,

Late Sub Collector of Tanjore.

Madras, 21st July, 1836.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) N. W. KINDERSLEY,

Principal Collector.

No. 4.

Certificate given by S. SCOTT, Esquire, Sub Collector of Tanjore.

I have great pleasure in recording my entire concurrence in the good opinion expressed of GOONDUPPAH in the numerous

testimonials given him by the gentlemen with whom he has served. Of his upright conduct and zeal for the Public Service, I have had ample opportunity of Judging during the three years that he has been my Sheristadar, and of knowing that he has invariably maintained those principles in the performance of the important duties of his situation. In addition to great natural abilities, he possesses the rare qualification of giving entire satisfaction to his superiors, and at the same time acquiring the confidence and affection of the people. He has now obtained the high situation of Head Sheristadar of Bellary, and though I rejoice at his promotion, I cannot but greatly regret the loss of his valuable services to Tanjore.

(Signed) SEPTIMUS SCOTT.

23rd April, 1839.

No. 5.

Certificate given by N. W. KINDERSLEY, Esquire, Principal Collector of Tanjore.

This is to certify that the bearer GOONDUPPAH was appointed second Naib Sheristadar in Tanjore on the 20th April 1827, on a salary of 100 Rs., which was increased on the 23d December of the same year to 150 Rs. per Mensem. On the 8th February 1829, he was promoted to be Sheristadar in the Sub Collector's Cutcherry on the usual salary of 175 Rs. per Mensem, which situation he has continued to hold till this day, the date of his appointment to be Head Sheristadar to the Principal Collector of Bellary.

Rejoicing as I do in his present well merited promotion, I cannot part with a servant, who has served in this District under me for upwards of 11 years in situations of considerable responsibility, and exposed to great temptations, during which he has not only established a character for industry, talent, and integrity, which procured him the offer of the Head Sheristadarship in the Districts of Nellore and Guntoor respectively, but has by his firmness and consideration won the respect and affection of all who have come within his influence, as well as the esteem and approbation of myself and the four Sub Collectors to whom he has been successively attached, without deep regret at the loss which this Province must sustain by the transfer of his valuable services to Bellary.

(Signed) N. W. KINDERSLEY,

Principal Collector and Magistrate.

Tanjore, Saitoobava, 1st May, 1839.

No. 6.

Another testimonial subjoined by Mr. KINDERSLEY to the above, on his final departure from India.

It gave me great pleasure to find on my return from the Cape in August 1841, that GOONDUPPAH had succeeded to the vacant Head Sheristadarship of Tanjore. Since my return, he has abundantly supported the character which he had already established both in this District and in Bellary, and I have no doubt, will continue to give entire satisfaction, in whatever District, or under whatever Collector, he may hereafter be employed.

(Signed) N. W. KINDERSLEY.

Combaconum, 25th January, 1843.

No. 7.

Letter to Board from Sir H. C. MONTGOMERY, Baronet, Acting Principal Collector of Bellary recommending the appointment of GOONDUPPAH to the Head Sheristadarship of that District.

To

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

SIR,

1. With reference to my letter of the 25th February and the Board's reply thereto of the 21st Instant, I have the honor to report, that SOOBBA Row has intimated his desire to retire on a Pension; I beg therefore to recommend for appointment to the vacant situation of Head Sheristadar of this District, GOONDUPPAH, at present Sheristadar to the Sub Collector of Tanjore.

2. GOONDUPPAH is a native of this District, and the Board will observe in the Memorandum of his services herewith sent, that he was employed in it for upwards of 5 years, and for four of that time, that he filled the situations of Huzzoor Moonshee and Talook Sheristadar. The whole period of GOONDUPPAH's public service is 18 years, 10 months and 14 days, of which, he has been Deputy Sheristadar in the Principal Collector's, and Sheristadar in the Sub Collector's, Establishment in Tanjore for nearly 11 years.

3. I have the honor to forward copies of testimonials GOONDUPPAH has received from gentlemen under whom he has acted. One of these being from myself, I do not consider it necessary to

add more to the opinion I have there recorded of him. Should the Board deem further testimony requisite, I beg to refer them to the present Principal and Sub Collectors of Tanjore: But feeling confident that in point of talents, experience and conduct, he is well qualified for this situation, I have much pleasure in being able to bring him to the notice of the Board, and solicit their sanction to my nomination of him.

4. I shall shortly address the Board on the subject of a pension to SOOBBA Row with reference to the modified rules referred to in the 5th Para of your letter.

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERY,

Acting Principal Collector.

Bellary District, Anantapoor, 28th March, 1839.

Memorandum of Services of GOONDUPPAH, Huzzoor Sheristadar on the establishment of the Sub Collector of Tanjore.

Years. Ms. Days.

Sayer Mootsuddy at Ghantaumpullee in the Cumpullee Talook of Bellary Zillah, from 19th May, to 31st October 1820	0	5	13
Huzzoor Magistrate Goomastah in Bellary, from 1st to 15th November 1820	0	0	15
Huzzoor Sayer Goomastah in the Bellary Zillah, from 16th November 1820, to 11th July 1821	0	7	26
Huzzoor Moonshee in Bellary, from 12th July 1821, to 1st July 1824	2	11	21
Sheristadar of Taudputtry Talook in Bellary, from 2d July 1824, to 31st July 1825	1	1	0
Huzzoor Moonshee in Chittoor Zillah, from 1st August 1825, to 19th April 1827. (Resignation was sent to Bellary from Chittoor on 31st July 1825)	1	8	19
Huzzoor Second Deputy Sheristadar in Tanjore, from 20th April 1827, to 7th February 1830. (Resignation was sent from Tanjore to Chittoor on the 19th April 1827)	2	9	19
Huzzoor Sheristadar of the Sub Collector's Establishment, from 8th February 1830, to 31st December 1838 continued	8	10	23
Total	18	7	16

should not be deprived of the services of his Sheristadar till the settlement of the year was concluded.

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERY.

Principal Collector.

Saitoobava, 5th May, 1841.

(*Annex the memorandum of GOONDUPPAH's services (Page 5) as well as Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4.*)

(True copies.)

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERY.

Acting Principal Collector.

No. 10.

Board's answer to the above letter from the Acting Principal Collector of Tanjore, conveying sanction to the transfer of GOONDUPPAH to the said district.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

To
The Acting Principal Collector of
Tanjore.

SIR,

Para 1. I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th May, and in reply to convey to you the confirmation of the Board of Revenue to the selection of GOONDUPPAH, now Head Sheristadar in Bellary to be Head Sheristadar of Tanjore, vice LUTCHHEEMEE NARASIAH deceased.

By this day's Post, the necessary communication will be made to Mr. MELLOR, Collector of Bellary.

(Signed) P. B. SMOLLET,

Secretary.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, }
17th May, 1841.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERY.

Acting Principal Collector.

No. 11.

Letter from Board to A. MELLOR, Esquire, Collector of Bellary informing him that the transfer of GOONDUPPAH to Tanjore has been sanctioned by them.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

To
The Collector of Bellary

SIR,

Para 1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acquaint you, that a communication has been made to them by Sir H. C. MONTGOMERY, Acting Principal Collector of Tanjore, that with your concurrence he has nominated GOONDUPPAH, now serving under your District to be Head Sheristadar in the Province of Tanjore, and the selection of this Officer has been sanctioned this day by the Board of Revenue.

2. You will be pleased accordingly to permit GOONDUPPAH to proceed to join his appointment as soon as his services can be dispensed with in Bellary.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) P. B. SMOLLET,

Secretary.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, }
17th May, 1841.

No. 12.

Letter from A. MELLOR, Esquire, to Board, requesting permission to detain GOONDUPPAH until the arrival of his successor in Bellary.

No. 30.

To
The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th May intimating that the Board have consented to the transfer of GOONDUPPAH to the Head Sheristadarship of Tanjore. I have the honor to request that you will submit for the sanction of the Board my intention to nominate NEELAKUNTA ROW now serving in the Principal Collectorate of Salem to be Head Sheris-

tadar in this District, which appointment is made with the knowledge and concurrence of Mr. GLEIG, Principal Collector of that District.

2d. With reference to the 2d para of your letter,³ I have the honor to state that I do not consider it advisable that GOONDUPPAH should depart for Tanjore before the arrival of a Sheristadar in this District, as in consequence of the number of deaths which, I regret to state, have taken place in my Establishment, I have but few responsible servants present. Mr. GLEIG, however, states that NEELAKUNTA ROW will have his permission to leave Salem on the 1st of June next.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) A. MELLOR.

Collector.

Bellary District, Collector's Office, }
22d May, 1841. }

(True Copies.)

(Signed) A. MELLOR,

Collector.

No. 13.

Certificate given by Mr. MELLOR.

This is to certify that GOONDUPPAH was employed as Head Sheristadar in this District from 1st May 1839 to the present time and now proceeds to Tanjore as Head Sheristadar, by the sanction of the Board of Revenue conveyed in their Secretary's letter of the 17th May 1841.

The valuable services which GOONDUPPAH has faithfully discharged for many years have gained for him the high esteem of the several gentlemen under whom he has served. The many testimonials he has obtained from his employers render it unnecessary for me to say more than that it affords me the greatest pleasure to record my entire concurrence in the encomiums bestowed on him. To his worth, his ability and indefatigable zeal in the public service, I feel it my duty to bear the fullest testimony. I have consented to his transfer in consequence of the urgent request of Sir HENRY MONTGOMERY Bart, Acting Principal Collector of Tanjore, that Officer having stated that he considers GOONDUPPAH peculiarly qualified to discharge the important

duties of Head Sheristadar of that District in which he has been employed for upwards of 11 years.

(Signed) A. MELLOR,

Collector.

Bellary Collector's Office, 1st June, 1841.

No. 14.

Extract from the Report of the Acting Principal Collector of Tanjore on the settlement of the District for Fussy 1251, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 1st October 1842.

Para 41. I should be wanting in justice to a most praiseworthy individual, were I to omit recording my opinion of the untiring zeal and ability of my Head Sheristadar GOONDUPPAH, to whom I am indebted for most valuable assistance. The uprightness of his character, abilities, patience and gentlemanly behaviour combine to form in him a most distinguished Public Servant.

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP,

Acting Principal Collector.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP.

No. 15.

Extract from an Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 17th February 1843, on the report of the Acting Principal Collector of Tanjore on the settlement of the District for Fussy 1251.

Para 30. The Board are also gratified to learn that the Head Sheristadar GOONDUPPAH maintains under Mr. BISHOP the high character given of him by that gentleman's predecessors in Office.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP.

Letter from J. J. COTTON, Esquire, congratulating GOONDUPPAH on the increase of his salary to 100 Pagodas.

R. R. GOONDUPPAH,

I have much pleasure in forwarding to you a signed empowering you to draw the increased rate of pay (350 Rupees per Mensem) to which you became entitled on the 1st of May last, first on account of lengthened service in your present responsible situation, and secondly, from the integrity and zeal with which you have so constantly discharged the onerous duties of your station.

I sincerely hope you may long continue to enjoy the enviable distinction you have attained, and to which so many gentlemen have already borne testimony. It will give me increased pleasure to learn that you have some day attained to highest rate of allowances; and as I fear, only length of service will enable you to draw this. Perhaps I may have the satisfaction of presenting you with that signed also, should it please God to spare my life, and we are fellow servants of Government in the same District.

I conclude with every wish for your continued welfare and prosperity.

Ever your friend,
(Signed) J. J. COTTON,

Sub Collector.

Nagapatam, 3d September, 1844.

Letter to Board from Sir H. C. MONTGOMERY, Bart, recommending that GOONDUPPAH's salary may be raised to 125 Pagodas.

To

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

The Head Sheristadar of this District GOONDUPPAH having on the 1st May 1845 become entitled to increased salary, I have

the honor to request I may receive the necessary sanction to disburse to him pay at the rate of 125 Pagodas from that date.

	Years, Ms. Days.			
In Bellary, from 1st May 1839, to May 1841	2	1	0	GOONDUPPAH has now served as a Head Sheristadar for six years, and his previous services as a Deputy and Division Sheristadar of 12 years, make up the period of 18 years, after which, according to the existing rules, his salary should be augmented to the sum named.
In Tanjore, from June 1841, to 30th April 1845.....	3	11	0	
	6	0	0	
	Years, Ms. Days.			
Deputy Sheristadar in the Principal Collector's Cutcherry in Tanjore, from 19th April 1827, to 7th February 1830.....	2	9	19	
Sub Collector's Sheristadar, from 8th February 1830, to 30th April 1839	9	2	21	
Total.....	12	0	10	

In presenting his claims to the Board, I have great pleasure in recording my undiminished confidence in him, my entire approbation of his conduct, and the high estimation I entertain of his qualifications for the important Office he holds.

The Government on the 17th November 1829 sanctioned to GOONDUPPAH's predecessor, on the recommendation of Mr. KINDERSLEY, some advantage in the scale of his allowances as Head Sheristadar on the grounds of his responsibility and the arduousness of the duties of Head Sheristadar of Tanjore and of the temptations to which that Officer was exposed. The same reasons still exist for a continuance of those advantages to the present incumbent who has now served the Madras Government 26 years with high credit, and to the great satisfaction of every English gentleman with whom he has been officially connected, and I hope it will be in the power of the Board to recommend that the present Sheristadar receive the same indulgence that was granted to his predecessor.

I have, &c. &c.,

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERY,

Collector.

Tanjore, Nunnium, 14th March, 1846.

No. 21.

Letter from Board to Government on the subject of the above letter.

From

T. PYCROFT, Esquire,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

To

J. F. THOMAS, Esquire,

Chief Secretary to Government.

SIR,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will submit to the Most Noble the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from the Collector of Tanjore soliciting sanction to disburse to GOONDUPPAH, the Head Sheristadar of that District, increased pay at the rate of 125 Pagodas per Mensem from the 1st May 1846, the date on which he became entitled to draw the augmented salary agreeably to the provisions of the modified rules sanctioned by Government on the 12th October 1827.

2. From the marginal statement furnished in the Collector's letter it will be seen that on the 1st of May last, GOONDUPPAH had completed the term of 6 years in the capacity of Head Sheristadar, having previously served 12 years in the subordinate grades of Naib, and Division Sheristadar, making a total aggregate period of 18 years service, and had consequently under the existing modified rules, become entitled to the salary of a Head Sheristadar of 10 years standing, viz., 125 Pagodas per Mensem. The Board beg to recommend that the Collector may be authorized to disburse to him that amount monthly and arrears from the 1st of May last.

3. Adverting to the remarks of the Collector contained in the concluding portion of his letter, suggesting that certain advantages which were shewn to the late Head Sheristadar of Tanjore should also be extended to the present incumbent, it may be observed that a deviation from the established rules of the service was recommended

From Collector of Tanjore 8th September 1829.
To Government 5th November 1829.
From Government 17th November 1829.

in that instance, because it was the opinion of the Board that the minimum allowance of 80 Pagodas, which that Officer was by the rules entitled to receive, was an insufficient allowance for the Head Sheristadar of Tanjore, "as the responsibility of his Office" they observed "was peculiarly great, and he was exposed to more than ordinary temptations, especially in the then unsettled state of the Land Revenue," and he was accordingly, with the sanction of Government, considered to be on the footing of a Sheristadar of 10 years standing with a salary of 125 Pagodas a month, or, in other words, was advanced to the position corresponding, as regards advantages, with that now regularly attained to in the course of service by GOONDUPPAH.

4. The circumstances of the two cases would, therefore, not appear altogether analogous, and although the Board are fully aware of the responsibility and arduousness of the duties devolving upon the Head Sheristadar of Tanjore, which they are happy to observe, are so efficiently performed by GOONDUPPAH, they do not feel at liberty to recommend a deviation from the Regulations of the service in his favor under existing circumstances.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) T. PYCROFT.

Secretary.

Revenue Board Office, Fort St. George, }
6th April, 1846. }

To

J. F. THOMAS, Esquire,

Chief Secretary to Government.

No. 22.

No. 435.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 17th April 1846. (Concerning sanction for the disbursement to GOONDUPPAH of 125 Pagodas per Mensem.)

The Most Noble the Governor in Council grants authority for disbursing to GOONDUPPAH, Head Sheristadar of the Tanjore District, the increased rate of salary to which he became entitled

under the rules of the service, Viz., (Rs. 437-8-0) Four hundred and thirty seven and Annas eight per Mensem, the same commencing in arrears from the 1st May 1845.

(Signed) E. P. THOMPSON,

Secretary to Government.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 20th April 1846.

Resolved that a copy of the foregoing order of Government and of the Board's letter to which it relates, be transmitted for the information and guidance of the Collector of Tanjore, with reference to his letter dated 14th March 1846.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Secretary.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERY,

Collector.

No. 23.

Letter to Board from J. F. BISHOP, Esquire, requesting sanction to pay to GOONDUPPAH 150 Pagodas per Mensem.

To

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort Saint George.

Sir,

GOONDUPPAH, Head Sheristadar of this district, has been on the receipt of salary at the rate of *125 Pagodas or Rs. 437-8-0 since the 1st of May 1845, and has now become entitled to the increased payment of Pagodas 150 or Rs. 525 under the rules of the Service, he having completed his 15th year as Head Sheristadar. I have therefore the honor to request sanction may be obtained authoriz-

ing the payment of the higher rate of salary from the 1st May 1850. In submitting the application I cannot but allude to the high character maintained by GOONDUPPAH and the efficient manner in which he conducts the various arduous duties of his situation, thus fully meriting the increased salary now solicited.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP,

Collector.

Tanjore, Kodicurray, 19th June, 1850.

No. 24.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 29th July 1850. (Sanctioning the disbursement to GOONDUPPAH of 150 Pagodas per Mensem.)

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read the following No. 685.

Resolved that the Collector of Tanjore be authorized to disburse to his Head Sheristadar GOONDUPPAH from the 1st May 1850, the higher rate of salary of Rs. 525 per Mensem to which he has become entitled under the standing rules.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George, 19th July, 1850.

Ordered to be communicated for the information and guidance of the Collector of Tanjore with reference to his letter dated 19th June 1850.

(A true Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,

Secretary.

To

J. F. BISHOP, Esquire,

Collector of Tanjore.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP,

Collector.

No. 25.

A letter from F. M. LEWIN, Esquire, Civil and Session Judge of Combaconum.

To

R. R. GOONDUPPAH, &c., &c., &c.,

Head Sheristadar of Tanjore.

I had the pleasure to receive your letter and am much obliged to you for all the kind expressions it contains towards me.

I am sorry that I did not know you intended to leave Vullum to come to Combaconum, as I should in that case have been prepared to receive you.

Although I am sure that nothing I can say will add to your good name and reputation, I cannot leave the District of Tanjore without assuring you that no one appears to stand so high as you do in public estimation, and that I am satisfied the Government do not possess a more zealous, upright, and intelligent Servant than yourself in any of their vast possessions, and when I consider what a rich, populous, valuable possession Tanjore District is, I think the Government may feel much pleased at finding such a man as you are to manage the revenues of it. May you feel your situation happy and comfortable, and may all prosperity attend you and your family, is my parting wish, and if I can at any future time be of any assistance to you, write to me freely, and you may depend on my friendship.

(Signed) F. M. LEWIN.

Tranquebar, 6th March, 1842.

No. 26.

MY GOOD FRIEND GOONDUPPAH,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter enclosing testimonials of your character as a Public Servant, which are indeed most satisfactory. Need I, therefore, say that I perused them with pleasure? I hope your zeal, assiduity and uprightness in the discharge of your duties may soon obtain for you the highest rate of allowance which as a Sheristadar you may be entitled to draw. Although I have now no longer the means of assisting you in your promotion in the service, I shall nevertheless always, believe me,

be happy to hear of your success in it. As I write with my left hand which fatigues me, I hope you will excuse the shortness of this letter and believe me your friend.

(Signed) A. D. CAMPBELL.

London, 19th March, 1846.

Mrs. CAMPBELL and my two little boys are quite well, and send their salams to you.

No. 27.

Another letter from A. D. CAMPBELL, Esquire, congratulating GOONDUPPAH on the increase of his salary to 150 Pagodas.

MY GOOD FRIEND GOONDUPPAH,

I was indeed very glad to learn from your letter of the 22d October 1850, that your salary had been raised from 437½ to 525 Rs. You were certainly entitled to this increase, not only in conformity to the standing rules, namely, of your having served 15 years, as Head Sheristadar, but also for the high character which you have always maintained in that capacity, and the efficient manner in which you have conducted the arduous duties of your situation. It will, I assure you, always give me pleasure to hear of your continued prosperity, as also of the enjoyment of perfect health of yourself and your family. You will, I am sure, be glad to hear that I am much better and that Mrs. CAMPBELL and our two sons are quite well. We have obtained a Civil appointment for the eldest of the two last named, so that I hope you will be able to make his acquaintance some day in India, to which (God willing) we purpose to send him in three years hence. Mrs. CAMPBELL joins me in best wishes for your continued welfare, and with our salams believe me always,

Your's very truly,

(Signed) A. D. CAMPBELL.

London, 18th March, 1851.

No. 28.

A letter from H. FORBES, Esquire, enclosing Copy of a letter (No. 29) to him from J. F. BISHOP, Esquire, regarding GOONDUPPAH's character and qualifications.

GOONDUPPAH ROW,

Head Sheristadar.

MY DEAR SIR,

I have great pleasure in sending you a copy of a letter which I have to-day received from Mr. BISHOP, in which he places upon the records of the Collectorate the very high sense he entertains of your character as a Public Officer, and of the services you rendered to him during the ten years he was Collector of Tanjore.

I am sure that to find that your character and services were so well appreciated and so fully acknowledged, will be an additional inducement to you to continue a course of conduct which has obtained you so many friends.

I am,

Very faithfully Yours,

(Signed) H. FORBES.

Vullum, 29th October, 1853.

No. 29.

Letter from J. F. BISHOP, Esquire, to H. FORBES, Esquire, expressive of that gentleman's sentiments regarding the character and qualifications of GOONDUPPAH.

H. FORBES, Esquire,

Collector of Tanjore.

SIR,

Before quitting India, I do myself the great pleasure of recording the sense I entertain of the services of GOONDUPPAH ROW, Head Sheristadar of Tanjore, whom I have known for now nearly twelve years, ten of which he has served under me while Collector of the District. During this period I have had ample opportunity of witnessing his zeal and ability in the discharge of very onerous duties, increased in consequence of frequent changes in the Naib Sheristadar's Department, but in justice to the Head Sheristadar, I cannot but state that increased work was readily met by increased labor, so that the public interests were not affected, though the Sheristadar's own health suffered in consequence of the heavy duties which demanded his personal attention.

In GOONDUPPAH ROW I have ever found a man liberal in his views, and most considerate toward the inhabitants while mindful of the interests of Government, and to him I am indebted for very valuable assistance and co-operation in the discharge of the duties of the Collectorate, while his conciliatory but firm control over the subordinates of his cutcherry prevented disagreements which too often exist to the detriment of the public service and the annoyance of the Collector.

I have the highest opinion of GOONDUPPAH as a public servant and a private gentleman, and it is a matter of regret that failing eyesight may render an earlier retirement necessary than would otherwise be the case, though, on public grounds, I trust my fears may not be realized, as it will be no easy task to replace so able a servant in a District, where so much is required from the Head of the Duffier Department.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Madras, 22d October, 1853.

Collector.

No. 30.

Letter to Board from H. FORBES, Esquire, requesting sanction for paying to GOONDUPPAH the highest rate of salary Pagodas 200 or Rs. 700 per Mensem.

No. 52.

To

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

SIR,

On the 30th current, GOONDUPPAH, the Head Sheristadar of this Province, will have completed the term of service which, with the sanction of Government, will entitle him to draw the highest rate of salary granted to Sheristadars.

From the letters noted in the margin, the first from Sir HENRY MONTGOMERY Bd. of Revenue. when recommending GOONDUPPAH's appointment, and the others from the same gentleman and Mr. BISHOP when applying for sanction to pay to the Head Sheristadar the increased rates of pay to which by length of service and good conduct he

had become entitled, the Board will be reminded of the high place that GOONDUPPAH has obtained in the opinion of former Collectors.

On leaving Madras in 1853, Mr. BISHOP addressed me on the subject of the Sheristadar's qualifications and expressed his desire to place on record the sense he entertained of his services during the 12 years that he had been officially connected with him. Mr. BISHOP said that he had ample opportunities of witnessing GOONDUPPAH's zeal and ability in the discharge of very onerous duties, duties increased in consequence of frequent changes in the Naib Sheristadar's Office, and that he had observed that increased work was readily met by increased labor, so that the public interests were never affected, although the Sheristadar's own health suffered in consequence of the heavy duties which demanded his personal attention.

Mr. BISHOP expressed himself as having the highest opinion of GOONDUPPAH as a Public Servant, and during the time, I have had the honor of administering the affairs of Tanjore, I have had every reason to coincide in his opinion.

I have therefore to request that I may be authorized to pay the Head Sheristadar Rupees (700) per Mensem from the 1st Proximo.

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Collector

Munnargoody, 7th April, 1855.

No. 31.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 1261.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 25th May 1855. (Conveying sanction for disbursing to GOONDUPPAH Rs. 700 per Mensem.)

Read the following Extract from a letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 10th May 1855.

Para 2d. In submitting this application on behalf of GOONDUPPAH with their recommendation that his salary may be increased as proposed, the Board desire me to state that they are gratified to observe that this individual still continues to maintain

the high character he had previously earned for himself, and they deem it their duty to place on record their approbation of the manner in which he has served the Government.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) B. CUNLIFFE,

Secretary.

No. 599.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Revenue, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council grants authority for disbursing to GOONDUPPAH the Head Sheristadar of the Tanjore District, the highest rate of salary to which he has become entitled under the rules of the service, Viz. Rs. (700) Seven hundred per mensem, the same commencing from the 1st May, 1855.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,

Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George, 18th May, 1855.

Ordered to be communicated with Para 2 of the Board's letter, to the Collector of Tanjore for his information and guidance.

(A true Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) B. CUNLIFFE,

Secretary.

To

The Collector of Tanjore.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Collector.



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No 1172

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From

J. W. Cherry Esq

Acting Collector of Customs

To Rycroft Esq

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort Saint George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the appointment of a person from London for the post of Agent-Sheriff of this District.

The following is a statement of his

services

Name of the person and date of appointment &c	Period for which he continued in each office	Salary per month
Major Macleod at Chautauque Falls in the Champlain District from 19th May to 31st October 1820	" 5 15	5 15 11
Major Macleod at Champlain from 1st to 15th November 1820	" 5 15	17 11 11
Major Macleod at Champlain from 16th November 1820 to 11th July 1821	" 7 26	18 11 11
Major Macleod from 12th July 1821 to 1st July 1824	" 11 21 1/2	40 11 11
Major Macleod at the Second Factory District from 2nd July 1824 to 31st July 1825	" 1 1	48 11 11

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North coast	Magistrate	from 1 st August to 20 th April 1820	1	20	10	..
	Magistrate	from 26 th April 1820 to 20 th April 1826	7	0	40	..
	Magistrate	from 1 st May 1826 to 19 th April 1827	1	19	25	..
Bellary	Second Deputy Sheristadar	from 20 th April 1827 to 7 th February 1830	2	9	100	..
	Sheristadar to the Sub Collector	from 8 th February 1830 to 30 th April 1839	9	2	24	150
Bellary	Head Sheristadar	from 1 st May 1839 to 1 st May 1841	2	1	50	..
	From	To				
	1 st June 1841	30 th April 1844	2	11	150	..
	1 st May 1844	30 th April 1846	1	4	100	..
	"	1846	"	1847	107	8
	"	1848	"	1849	65	..
Bellary	Head Sheristadar	from 1 st May 1849 to 30 th April 1850	1	7	70	..
	Total		36	6	17	

3 Gondapah is a native of Bellary. He did not enter the public service on a monthly pay of Rs 5-18-4 in the 19th May 1820 after having filled several minor offices in Bellary and North coast up to the 19th April 1827, he was appointed to the Post of Head Naib Sheristadar in this District on the 20th idem. In this and in the office of Division Sheristadar of Ambavannam and Mysoram, he continued till the end of April 1839. On the 1st May of the same year, he was selected for the office of Head Sheristadar in Bellary and

Under Mr. Macleod's certificate No. 10.

and after having held that office for two years and one month, he was, on the 1st June 1841, transferred to his present office, in consequence of the urgent request of Sir St. C. Montgomery Bart, the then acting Principal Collector of Sanyal. On the 1st May 1855, he attained to the highest rate of salary allowed to Head Sheristadars, ie Rs 100 per month.

4 The total period of his service amounts to 36 years 6 months 29 days up to this date. Of this period, he served 5 months 15 days in a situation the salary of which was below Rs 10, 9 months in situations paid from the "Nobisaid" Fund, and 2 years 9 months 14 days in a situation paid from the Government Fund - although the service performed in such situations cannot generally count as part of the period qualifying for pension, yet an exception should, I think, be made in his case.

the rules of Government - 15th May 1851, Para 2 - "Service performed by a candidate for pension in a grade in which he is not eligible is that provision, will not be admitted as a part of the term of service qualifying for pension. Meritorious cases will, however, be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette of the 26th idem, Page 442 - It

"Specially considered where the service of
"the candidate has been such as to entitle
"him to favor, though he may not have
"served for the prescribed period in grades
"entitling him to Pension."

It does not appear
that he was ever
absent on leave
for such a length

of time as to require a substitute.

So the uprightness of character which he has
at all times, and under all circumstances, firmly main-
tained, particularly amongst the great temptations
to which the important office held by him for nearly
30 years have been exposed; and to the indefatigable
zeal, ability and diligence with which he has ef-
ficiently discharged his duties, especially the very
various and multifarious duties of the office of Head
Sheristadar of Bellary and Tanjore - the two richest Pro-
vinces under this Presidency - the distinguished officers
immediately noted, have all in turn
borne the fullest testimony. By these
qualifications, the Government will observe
by the testimonials, he has earned the
esteem, affection and confidence not only of these Gentlemen

Messrs A. D. Campbell, J. Col-
ingham, J. Scott, A. W. Stur-
dewell, A. Moller, J. M. Secoin,
J. J. Cotton, J. L. Bishop and
A. Forbes and Sir W. C. Montgomery
Bart.

and

under whom he has served, but also of such as he
has been merely acquainted with -

6 His services have always been approved
and faithful. His advice and counsel have frequently
been sought for. While fully mindful of the interests
of Government, he has not lost sight of the welfare
of the inhabitants. There is not a Gentleman with
whom he has acted, that has not recorded his high
sense of the merits and character of this excellent
servant. Though only a few months have elapsed
since I took charge of the District, I am happy
in being able to add my humble testimony to state
that I fully concur in the very favorable opinions
expressed by my Predecessors of Coondapah and

To the undersigned
Messrs Scott,
Sturdevel, and
Bishop - Messrs
C, and J.

I regret much, the loss, that I shall not only personally
feel, but from which this Province will suffer, of
his valuable services now that he is about to retire.
The original testimonials of character granted to
him by the several Gentlemen with whom he has
been

been associated are so many and voluminous, that I have retained them in my office, and now forward only the printed copies thereof, thinking them in that form, more convenient for the perusal of the Government.

Seendapah is not too old for service. He is only in the 35th year of his age. But the onerous and often-increased duties which devolved upon him as Head Sheristadar in this District, his consequent

over-exertion and close application to business, and the tedious and trying nature of the task, to which he was frequently subjected, of looking into the Cadjan accounts, have prematurely brought on imperfect sight. Had he not been transferred here for the interests of the public service, but left to remain at Bellary (his native place,) where business is not near so onerous as it is here, his health would not, in all probability, have suffered so early, and he might have continued in office for at least five years more, during which he would have drawn a salary of Rs 2000 in the aggregate.

Doctor

8 Doctor. Show the Government certificate at the Presidency, and Mr. Joseph the Chief Zilla Surgeon at Coimbatore have examined his eyes, and the former certifies that complete rest from any work is absolutely necessary to avert the total loss of vision, and the latter "that from failing sight he is permanently disqualified for further active service". Continued over-exertion of his eyes is assigned by both Medical officers as the cause of his impaired sight. The Certificate granted by both of them accompanies

9 Seendapah makes two requests - 1st, the grant of a pension of Rs 350 per mensem for himself; and 2nd, the continuation of it to his children at the reduced rate of Rs 250 per month. The half of the monthly average of salary drawn by him during the last few years amounts to Rs 290 3 4. Considering, however, his long-faithful-and valuable service, his

firm

firm integrity, his position in society, and the great pecuniary loss which accrued to, in his having been transferred from Bellary to Sanyas not on his own account, but with regard to the interests of Government, and the great increase of Revenue amounting in the aggregate to our cross of Rupees in ^{the Statement to which I have} round numbers - to which his agency has contributed, ^{got increased as far as this District is concerned}

I respectfully beg leave to recommend that a Pension of Rupees 350 per month may be granted to Coondapah, and that it may be continued to his children at $\frac{2}{3}$ the amount or Rupees 233-5-4 per annum.

10. I feel confident that a concession to my recommendation will not, under the foregoing circumstances, be deemed unreasonable, especially when it is considered that the trust attached to the Office of Head Christadar of this very populous and rich Province, is not an onerous one, & looking at the arduous nature of its duties, and the temptations to which it is exposed. A special favor in the present unusual instance will tend

tend to secure the same honesty and zeal for the public service in Coondapah's successor, and Coondapah's case is not the less deserving of it than that of Sanyas. Now the late Head Sheridar of Archinichy, which occurred a few years ago.

11. The correctness of the Statement of Coondapah's service in this District has been ascertained by a reference to my public records. As regards his services in Bellary and North Arcot, I have written to the Collectors of those Districts, and will submit to Government their replies as soon as received.

12. I trust I may be excused in having written so strongly and at such length on the present occasion. I felt it a duty to the old, able and very faithful servant of the State that Coondapah has proved himself to have been, to bring his merits prominently to the notice of the Government, and to endeavour to obtain a recognition of them by the extension, herein respectfully

from recommended of the ordinary pension. Retire.—

seems The applicant will cease to do duty on the
1st January 1857.—

have I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

W. Keen
Acting Collector

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George

N^o 2802.

Report of the Civil Auditor

* of Rs. 580. b. 8.

Calculated up to 31st December 1826. Service under the Government embraces to 31st December a period of 8 years 10 months, and 1826 82 years 96 days, viz. from 16th November 1820 8 months and to 31st July 1826 and from 1st May 1826 to 19th April 1827, and from 8th January 1830 to 30th April 1830 up to which date only Returns from Public Officers have been received.

2. The Service of Gondahali from 1st August 1825 to 30th April 1826, making a period of 9 months is inadmissible in the Service towards a pension, as his salary was defrayed out of funds and other stoppages from the Salaries of public servants. But the Service from 20th April 1827 to 7th February 1830, making a period of 2 years 9 months and 19 days, during which time as stated by Gondahali his salary was paid from the Perakamun Fund, may be considered

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considered eligible as service
substituting to pension, as the Govern-
ment would appear from previous
cases of a similar kind to regard
such service as admissible in the
period reckoning for a pension.
vide para 2 of Civil Auditor's letter
dated 15th April 1850 regarding
the application for a pension
on behalf of Desapagal, and
Sr. Minis. Cons. dated 9th August
1850 No 194, S. P. D. para 2 of
Civil Auditor's letter of 18th February
1850, regarding the application
for a pension on behalf of Trucut
Port, and Sr. Minis. Cons. dated 2nd
March 1850, No 57, Sep. Pub. Defin-
and para 2 of Civil Auditor's letter
of the 23rd February 1850, regarding
the application for a pension on
behalf of Messurraa Port, and
Sr. Minis. Cons. dated 14th March 1850,
No 62, S. P. D. Should the Govern-
ment be pleased to include the
above period of 2 years 9 months
and 19 days in the service sub-
stituting Jondapat to a pension,
his service, reckoned up to 31st
December 1856, will then amount
to 36 years, 8 months 14 days.

J. H. Smith,
Civil Auditor's Office,
14 January 1857
J. H. Wood

Washington
Civil Auditor

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Indian Department

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Statement showing the amount of Revenue derived by the Government from July 1839 to 1865 from the Divisions and Districts of which Saondapah was Sheristadar, as compared with the Revenue obtained in the same number of previous years -

Division or District	years in which Saondapah was employed as Sheristadar.	Previous years - Fuslies	Revenue collected - Rupees	Fuslies	Revenue collected Rupees	Comparison of column 3 with 5 -	
						Increase	Decrease
						Rupees	Rupees
Saundepah District -	Divisions						
	Lombaconum	1239 to 40	2 1628694	1237 to 38	2 1651598	..	22904
	Myancram	1241 to 48	8 11596391	1233 to 40	0 11131679	464712	
Districts							
	Bellary	1249 to 50	2 6187751	1247 to 48	2 5532057	655694	
	Tanjore	1251 to 1265	15 72114167	1236 to 50	15 62785543	9328624	
	Total	27	91527003	27	81100877	10449030	22904

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William

24th November 1866

Wm. Adcock
Clerk

Separate

Public Department

Wm.

Read the following Papers

From the Collector of Tazewell
From the Civil & Quarters
Herringer 11th Decr 66
Decr 18th

For Orders

I have

Wm. L. L. of 20th Jan
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and Mr. Cherry in forwarding
Goundrabu's application
testifies to the estimation
he is held to the very
:last record of his employ-
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Such uninterrupted meri-
:torious service in ardu-
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under any circumstances
special notice of a Special

Native, but in Soudan his
case unusual devotion to his
duties has seriously injured his
vision and there is every reason
to fear ~~total blindness~~
~~he~~ He will be afflicted with the
blindness in his retirement
too long deferred -

I earnestly hope the Hon Comd
may be induced on the recom-
mendation of this Govt to ex-
tend to Soudan the same
benefit that in their liberality
conferred on the late Soudan of India
C. 9. 1875 - Soudan made by
H. H.

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not more than his long
faithful &
loyal good services
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Pending the considera-
tion of his request
by the Hon Comd
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Passive list on the
ordinary scale -

W. H. D. 1875

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Financial 1857 Report.

Minute by the Honble
Sir G. B. Montgomery, Bart

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Expressing favorable opinion
of Goodenough & Christensen
of Langdon who has applied for
a Pension

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Financial
Public Dept

Excerpt from Min. Cons. 22nd January 1911.

Send the following Papers.

From the collection of
Tanyaia, following are also poli-
cative from your dispatch, the
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form a pension.

From do do
Civil Auditor

~~From the Little Book~~

Memorandum of the Hon. Sir H. Montgomery

Received on the 12th Decr/58

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Taken from
 Mr. H. Forbes
 Coll. - Tanjore
 18/12/55

After a service of upwards of
fifty years, Government has been
pleased to honor Mr. Tanjore, who "has
risen from the lowest to the highest
office, who has for many years been
at the head of a Collector's Native Es-
tablishment in such districts as
Bellary & Tanjore, and who by his
ability & capacity for his work has
gained the good opinion of all under
whom he has served" has been
compelled from an infirmity of vision,
the result of continuous application to
the duties of his position, to retire
from the service of Govt. In doing
he prays that he may be placed on the
Pension List, on a pension of Rs 350
per annum, and that after his demise,

a grant of Rs 250 a month may
be continued to his children.

2. The services of Gondappa, as he is
known, commenced on the 19th May 1820.
at which date he was entertained as a
Lager Mestreddy in the Gazette of
Bellary on a salary of Rs 1300 a
month. For the next seven years he was
employed in various subordinate posts
in the same district & in that of North
Acot. On the 20th April 1827 he was
transferred to Tanjore, as 2nd Rank
Shenikadar. From this he ~~remained~~
in February 1829, Senior in Shenikadar.
remaining in that important situa-
-tion for a period of ten years, during
which he was twice visited by the Col-
-lectors of the districts noted in the
margin to assume the highest appoint-
-ment in his respective establish-
-ments. In April 1839 he accepted
the head Shenikadaship in Bellary,
in which province he had commenced
his career. After a service here of
rather more than two years, he was
appointed to his present situation.
On the 1st May 1855 he attained the
highest rate of salary - viz 700 Rs a
month, allowed under the Rules to
a head Shenikadar. After the prescribed
period of service in that capacity.

Guntur
Bellary

4. The services of
Tanjore.
and also
Certificate of
Superior Service.
Letter of the Government
to the Presidency
10-5-56

Vide G. S. Despatch
No. 1 of 1856. Para 21
in reply to letter of
3rd July 1852. No 32.

3. The abilities of Gondappa, his
zeal, assiduity, and above all his
integrity have on many occasions been
brought to the notice of Govt. and Mr.
Cherry in forwarding the present ap-
-plication testifies to the high estima-
-tion he is held in up to the very last
period of his employment.
Such unintermittingly meritorious
service in arduous, responsible, and
important office deserves, under any
circumstances, special marks of ap-
-probation - and in Gondappa's case
unusual devotion to his duties has
seriously impaired his sight, pre-
-venting him to quite the public service
just as he has reached the highest
degree of emolument and at a
period of life when, ordinarily,
many years of usefulness may still
be expected to remain. It is the
opinion of competent medical au-
-thority that complete rest from
any work entailing a continuance
of his eyes is absolutely necessary, to
prevent total loss of useful vision.
4. The R. G. S. in C. accordingly
wishes to recommend the case of Gon-
-dappa to the favorable consideration
of the Honble C. S., who, he is inclined
to hope, will extend to Gondappa
the same benefit that he has liberally
bestowed on Pottagerry Rao,

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x mg - 3600 per annum
for P. K. own life.
6 2400 on two hands
to his heir

Later to the heirs of Frederick
such not being more than his long &
faithful services entitle him to expect.
5. Pending the reply of the House of
Commons will be transferred to the
Pension list on the ordinary scale.
Resolved that order be issued to the
Pension Dept accordingly.

Est. to rep. Coll. Temp. - 1817-22?

Copy to Pension Dept. 1817-22?

" Civil Anst. 1817-22?

16-1-17

To the Hon. Secy of the Interior
Washington D.C.
Jan 13 1857

My dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.

Yours

Very respectfully
J. M. Smith

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