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Fort Saint George, Financial Consultation, 4th May 1858.

No. 21. From GOONDAPPAH, late Head Sheristadar of the Tanjore District; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government of Fort Saint George, dated 21st April 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose herein a Memorial and Certificates in Triplicate to the Honorable the Court of Directors, regarding my pension; and to request you will have the goodness to lay it before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for submission to the higher Home Authority with their favorable recommendation thereon.

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, No. 293; dated 4th May 1858.

Ordered that the Memorial submitted with the foregoing address be forwarded to the Honorable the Court of Directors with reference to the correspondence which has recently passed on the case of the Memorialist.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

TO THE HONORABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE EAST INDIA COMPANY.

THE HUMBLE MEMORIAL OF GOONDUPPAH, LATE
HEAD SHERISTADAR OF THE DISTRICT OF
TANJORE.

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

1. That in regard to your Memorialist's application for pension, your Honorable Court have
Vide Extract from a letter from your Honorable Court dated 2d December, No. 26 of 1857, which accompanied the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated the 4th Feb. 1858, No. 67. expressed a regret at his retirement from the service, but declined to authorize in his favor a departure from the Pension Rules for the uncovenanted service. Your Honorable Court has however sanctioned a donation of 1000 Rupees in addition to his present pension, in order as it is stated by your Honorable Court "to distinguish his case from that of others, who became entitled to similar pensions, although their services may have been less meritorious." Your Memorialist begs permission to observe, that hence, it is gratifying to him to find, that your Honorable Court have acknowledged the merits of his case, but regrets that the distinction is confined only to the grant of a donation of 1000 Rupees. From the latter circumstance it becomes incumbent on the part of your Memorialist to shew or rather point out how far the distinction, as your Honorable Court was pleased to term it, was merited by his case on the following grounds.

1st. In contrast with the more onerous and heavy work he performed than others.

2ndly. In contrast with that of Sashagerry Row, late Head Sheristadar of Trichinopoly, which the Acting Collector of Tanjore, in submitting your Memorialist's case to Government, stated was less deserving of the boon than that he recommended.

3rdly. and Lastly—In contrast with those of several others who performed equal or less onerous and heavy work than your Memorialist.

He in consequence most submissively but earnestly beseeches your Honorable Court to give a candid and patient perusal as well as a favorable consideration to this Memorial; and trusts, at the same time, to be excused for the intrusion thus made on your most valuable and precious moments.

2. As regards the first point which consists chiefly in the peculiarity of the duties of the Tanjore District, your Memorialist has to submit that this District, unlike all the rest under this Presidency, possesses various modes of settlement, which he refrains from describing here for fear of taking up too much of your Honorable Court's time. The other difficulties which present themselves in the District of Tanjore, which abounds with richest land viz. Nunja or Wetlands, and constantly requires considerable public works to various sources of irrigation. These works have often to be made through the lands of Merassidars or Proprietors of land, and hence their property is often damaged; consequently the Merassidars raise disputes and throw obstacles in the execution of the numerous important public works to the detriment of Government Revenue. Such disputes have to be settled by the Head Sheristadar, more by conciliatory means, than by the use of intimidation, or power, as otherwise the parties resort to Courts of Justice, which tend to put the Government to greater expenses and vexation on one side, and delay and consequent loss of Revenue on the other. Besides, various are the disputes regarding the different descriptions of tenure, under which lands are held by the cultivating Ryots, which are seldom in existence in other Districts. The magnitude of the heavy work may be better estimated by a comparison of the number of Courts in the District, which are 5, whilst two only exist in other Districts.

3. As to the 2nd point or the contrast of his with Sashagerry Row's case, your Memorialist hopes to shew here, that his own claim rested on far better grounds, than that of Sashagerry Row. For instance, his own services, onerous and heavy as they were performed in Belary and Tanjore, the richest Districts under the Presidency, in point of Revenue, Extent, and Population, more especially in Tanjore, where exist different modes of settlement and where the best part of his services as second or Deputy Sheristadar, Sub Collector's Sheristadar, and latterly, as Head Sheristadar, were performed, whilst those of Sashagerry Row were rendered in a far less important District; and although the latter Individual's services were similar in nature, yet they were less complicated, in consequence of the fewer, and that too the more simple modes of settlement there existed.

4. Regarding the third or last point, your Memorialist begs to cite, for your Honorable Court's information, many other instances viz. Govinda Row, Head Sheristadar of Coimbatore, Beemah Row of Chittoore, Bucha Row of Cuddapah, Muddava Row of South Arcot, Kistna Row of Malabar, and Appoo Row of Coimbatore, some of whom were bestowed with pensions, whilst others, with Shrotriums; and all, for three generations together. As a further instance, your Memorialist would quote the case of Neelacunda Row of Bellary, who was recently endowed with a special mark of full pension for his life; a moiety thereof, for his second, and one fourth of it for his third generation; independently of the grant of a Shrotrium, for three generations, on account of a special service, of the apprehension by him, of certain Pindaries in Darwar.

5. It was originally your Memorialist's intention and wish to have applied for a pension for three lives, on the special merits of his own claim, which consisted in his arduous services in the Tanjore District alone, first for a period of 12 years, as Deputy Sheristadar, and Sheristadar to the Sub Collector; and lastly as Head Sheristadar for nearly 16 years besides 2 years in the same capacity in the District of Bellary. Consequent on his transfer from Bellary as being "peculiarly qualified" to discharge the heavy and arduous duties in Tanjore, Mr. A. Miller the Collector of Bellary states in his certificate, dated 1st June 1841, No. 13 in the Appendix, as follows.

"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 considered Goondappah peculiarly qualified to discharge the important duties of Head Sheristadar of that District, in which he has been employed for upwards of 11 years. In selecting your Memorialist for the transfer in question, the then Acting Principal Collector of Tanjore grounded his recommendation on the 'talents, experience, and conduct,' of your Memorialist and hence the transfer; more to serve the interests of the Tanjore District than to the convenience of your Memorialist, for which Bellary would have suited better, it being his native place. In filling the Office of Head Sheristadar in Tanjore for upwards of 15 years, your Memorialist had to discharge occasionally the additional duties of Naib Sheristadar, in consequence of 'frequent charges' in that Department as testified by Mr. J. P. Bishop, Collector of Tanjore, on the eve of his departure from India, in his letter, to his successor in Office, Mr. H. Forbes, dated 22d October 1853. He added therein that 'increased work was readily met by increased labor, so that, the public interest was not affected though the Sheristadar's own health suffered in consequence of the heavy duties which demanded his personal attention.' From this it would be apparent that your Memorialist's application for pension proceeded, not from choice but from sheer necessity arising (according to Mr. Acting Collector Cherry's letter to the Board dated 12th December 1856, Para 7) from imperfect sight brought on him, prematurely, consequent on 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 Cudjan Accounts. He would here observe that as stated in the same letter, had he not been transferred to Tanjore for the good of the public service, but left to remain at Bellary, his native place, where the business was comparatively small, 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 Rupees 42000 in the aggregate.

6. As to your Memorialist's conduct in the Government service he solicits permission to observe that in the early part of his life, and public career in Bellary, the then Principal Collector of the District, Mr. A. D. Campbell, certified in the year 1824, to honesty, zeal, candour and gratitude; while he was employed in 1831, in Tanjore, as Sheristadar under Mr. Goldingham the then Sub-Collector, that Gentleman testified to his having given complete satisfaction. In 1836, the subsequent Sub-Collector, Sir Henry Montgomery, Bart., recorded his opinion of your Memorialist's indefatigable zeal and ability, and stated that your Memorialist's conciliatory manners and "excellent temper rendered 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 your Memorialist's integrity, Sir Henry Montgomery Bart added that he cannot but have the highest opinion, having never during the ten years that he has served in the Provinces met with a Native on whom he could place more implicit confidence. On the eve of your Memorialist's leaving Tanjore in 1839, to fill the Head Sheristadar's situation in Bellary, the then Sub Collector of Tanjore, Mr. Scott, certified* to your Memorialist's great natural abilities and to his having possessed "the rare qualification of giving entire satisfaction to his Superiors, and at the same time, acquiring the confidence and affection of the people" and he lastly regrets at the loss of your Memorialist's valuable services to Tanjore. On the same occasion Mr. N. W. Kendersly the Principal Collector said* that your Memorialist has established a character for industry, talents and integrity and that he has also won the respect and affection of all who have come within his influence, as well as the esteem and approbation of himself and the four Sub Collectors to whom your Memorialist has been successively attached. All of them greatly regretted the loss of your Memorialist's "valuable services" to Tanjore. On your Memorialist's retransfer from Bellary to Tanjore in 1841 the then Collector of the former District Mr. A. Mellor bore full* testimony to your Memorialist's worth, ability and indefatigable zeal in the public service. In reporting on the settlement of the Tanjore District for Enslly 1251 Mr. J. F. Bishop the Acting Principal Collector, recorded* his opinion in 1842 in the following words. "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 Goondappah, to whom I am indebted for most valuable assistance. The uprightness of his character, abilities, patience and gentle manly behaviour combine to form in him a most distinguished public servant." In the Extract from the proceedings of the Board of Revenue upon the settlement they said* that, "they were also gratified to learn that the Head Sheristadar Goondappah maintains under Mr. Bishop the high character given of him by that Gentleman's predecessors." On a subsequent occasion Mr. Bishop in his letter to the Board of Revenue, dated 18th June 1844 says* that your Memorialist's "talents are first rate," and that "his zeal, assiduity and uprightness in the discharge of the arduous duties of the Tanjore Cutcherry, are most praise-worthy and well deserving a higher rate of remuneration." The several other testimonials and Extracts from public correspondence given in the appendix* contain encomiums on your Memorialist; with the details of which, he does not consider it necessary to trouble your Honorable Court in this Memorial.

7. Your Memorialist craves permission to add that since the assumption of the Tanjore country by the British Government, six persons held the office of Head Sheristadar but none of them ever continued to a period entitling them to Pension from the peculiarities of the District already adverted to.

8. Having shewn the peculiarity of your Memorialist's onerous and arduous duties in the Tanjore Province, as well as the superiority of your Memorialist's claim over that of a Sacherry Row together with the comparative inadequateness of the distinction of a Donation which in your Memorialist's humble opinion is not suited to his case, the grant of a special Pension alone being deemed as such, and having further shewn the often acknowledged over-exertions and indefatigable labour of your Memorialist in the execution of his public duties which prematurely brought on him a failure of sight and the pecuniary losses therewith attended, and lastly the universal appreciation by all of his employers of the worth and merits of his services and the impossibility of holding the office of Head Sheristadar in the Tanjore District for any lengthened period with credit to the incumbent and advantage to Government, your Memorialist humbly and submissively but most earnestly prays that your Honorable Court will do him the justice of extending in favour of his case the same munificence and liberality that you have invariably shewn towards all others whose services in the Revenue branch were equally meritorious or perhaps less in some cases; and that you will be so benevolent and gracious as to bestow on him the distinction of a special pension of Rs. 350 for himself and of Rs. 233-5-4 being two thirds of that amount for his children, as recommended by the collector of the District and strongly supported by Local Government, the more so as he has deterred from applying for a pension for three lives for reasons already stated, an indulgence not altogether unusual but which if denied to your Memorialist would, in his humble opinion, be tantamount to a denial of justice in his case and which your Memorialist has reason to believe the Honorable Court will not allow to be the case as it will tend to discourage your Memorialist's successors in office from being actuated with motives of honesty, zeal and assiduity in the discharge of their public duties.

9. In conclusion your Memorialist sincerely hopes and trusts, that if all the grounds above adduced be not deemed sufficient, the following one at least will be found to be an ample ground for remunerating his services more liberally, than they have now done. The ground just adverted to is increase of public revenues in the Tanjore District of no less than a crore of Rupees to which your Memorialist's agency has contributed, as brought forth to their notice in Mr. Acting Collector Cherry's letter, para. 9. And your Memorialist, as in duty bound will ever pray.

Madras,
21st April 1858.

Goondappah
Late Head Sheristadar of the
Tanjore District.

Letter to Capt. 8 May No. 11 of 1858

Letter to Capt. 8 May No. 11 of 1858
Enclosure of a Memorial to the
Honorable the Court of Directors from
Gondapah Lali Mead Sheristadar
of Tanjore dated 21st April 1858 -

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TESTIMONIALS &c.

RECEIVED BY

GOONDUPPAH,

HEAD SHERISTADAR

OF

TANJORE.

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at the Collectorate's Press.

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*List of Service performed by GOONDUPPAH, Head Sheristadar of
Tanjore, up to the end of December 1856.*

Name of the District.	Name of the Situation and Date of Appointment &c.	Period for which he continued in each Office.		
		Years.	M.	D.
BELLARY.	Sayer Mootsuddy at Ghateumpullee in the Cumpullee Talook, from 19th May to 31st October 1820.....	5	13	
	Hoozoor Magistrate Goomastah from 1st to 15th November 1820.....	1	15	
	Hoozoor Sayer Goomastah, from 16th November 1820 to 11th July 1821....	7	26	
	Hoozoor Moonshee, from 12th July 1821 to 1st July 1824.....	2	11	21
	Sheristadar of Taudputtry Talook, from 2d July 1824 to 31st July 1825.....	1	1	...
	Hoozoor Moonshee, from 1st August 1825 to 19th April 1827.....	1	8	19
TANJORE..	Second Deputy Sheristadar, from 20th April 1827 to 7th February 1830.....	2	9	18
	Sheristadar to the Sub Collector, from 8th February 1830, to 30th April 1839.....	9	2	21
BELLARY.	Head Sheristadar, from 1st May 1839 to 31st May 1841.....	2	1	...
TANJORE..	Do. from 1st June 1841 to 31st December 1856.....	15	8	...
Total...		36	7	14

Of this period, during the last twenty months GOONDUPPAH has been in the receipt of the highest rate of salary allowed to Head Sheristadars, viz., Rs. 700 per mensem.

Statement shewing the amount of Revenue derived by the Government from Fusly 1239 to Fusly 1265 from the Districts of which GOONDUPPAH was Sheristadar, as compared with that obtained in the same number of previous years.

DIVISION OR DISTRICT.	YEARS IN WHICH GOONDUPPAH WAS SHERISTADAR.		PREVIOUS YEARS.		COMPARISON OF COLUMN 3 WITH 5.	
	Fuslies.	Revenue collected.	Fuslies.	Revenue collected.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>Divisions.</i> Tanjore District. Combaconum,.....	1239 & 40—2 Land Revenue.	Rs. 16,28,694	1237 & 38—2 Land Revenue.	Rs. 16,51,598	Rs. "	Rs. 22,904
Mayaveram,..... <i>Districts.</i>	1241 to 48—8 Land Revenue.	1,15,96,391	1233 to 40—8 Land Revenue.	1,11,31,679	4,64,712	"
Bellary,.....	1249 & 50—2 Land and Extra Sources of Revenue.	61,87,751	1247 & 48—2 Land and Extra Sources of Revenue.	55,32,057	6,55,694	"
Tanjore,.....	1251 to 65—15 Land and Extra Sources of Revenue.	7,21,14,167	1236 to 50—15 Land and Extra Sources of Revenue.	6,27,85,543	93,28,624	"
Total..	27	9,15,27,003	27	8,11,00,877	1,04,49,030	22,904
				Net.....	1,04,26,126	
				Average per year,...	3,86,152	

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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 Ghautcumpullee 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

No. 8.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 4th April, 1839. (Sanctioning the Appointment of GOONDUPPAH to the Head Sheristadarship of Bellary.)

Read the following letter from the Acting Principal Collector of Bellary dated 28th March, 1839.

(Here enter No. 43.)

Para 1. The Board of Revenue are pleased to confirm the nomination of GOONDUPPAH at present Sheristadar to the Sub Collector of Tanjore, to be Head Sheristadar of Bellary, as suggested by the Acting Principal Collector in the foregoing letter.

2. The application of SOOBBA ROW to retire on a Pension will be considered when the necessary documents are furnished.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) P. B. SMOLLET,
Secretary.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) A. MELLOR,
Collector.

No. 9.

Letter to Board from Sir H. C. MONTGOMERY, Bart, Acting Principal Collector of Tanjore recommending the transfer of GOONDUPPAH to the said District.

No. 26.

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

The numerous qualifications which are indispensably requisite in the person who fills the very important situation of Head Sheristadar of this District, must always make the selection a matter of much consideration and anxiety to the Officer whose

duty it is to nominate to a vacancy. The death of the late incumbent, as reported to Board in my letter of the 19th of December last, has imposed this duty now on me, and I trust my choice will meet with approbation and have the confirmation of the Board.

2. On the 28th March 1839, I had the honor to recommend GOONDUPPAH, then Sheristadar to the Sub Collector of Tanjore, for the Office of Head Sheristadar of Bellary. I have now to propose that GOONDUPPAH's services be again transferred to this District, in which he served with distinction for 12 years and 10 days as Second Deputy Sheristadar and Sub Collector's Sheristadar.

3. Mr. MELLOR has authorized me to state that he has consented to accept GOONDUPPAH's resignation for the purpose of his returning to Tanjore, and GOONDUPPAH himself has expressed to me his willingness to undertake the proffered Office.

4. GOONDUPPAH's qualifications and claims are, a knowledge of the language, the country, the people and their customs, an intimate acquaintance with the numerous modes of settlement, with the whole Revenue management, and with the state of irrigation; active and important occupation in the District during the introduction of the Field settlement and consequent familiarity with the objections which have been raised to it; two Years' subsequent experience of the Ryotwary assessment in Bellary, which will prove of much benefit in the event of the system being further extended in Tanjore, and as will be seen by the testimonials annexed to this, the high approbation of those under whom he has served.

5. It is only necessary for me to state that all I have heard of GOONDUPPAH since my return to Tanjore fully justifies what I have on several occasions said in his favor, and to call the attention of the Board to the following very high character he received from Mr. KINDERSLEY on his leaving this District.

(Here quote Certificate from Mr. KINDERSLEY No. 5 Page 3.)

I have to add that I fully believe GOONDUPPAH's accession to the Office of Head Sheristadar will prove in every respect beneficial to this District and that it will be agreeable to the inhabitants as it will be to myself, and to Mr. KINDERSLEY should he again join his station, whose wishes, I can safely assert, I am now anticipating in recommending this appointment for the sanction of the Board.

My addressing the Board on this subject has been so long delayed in consequence of its being Mr. MELLOR's wish that he

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 LUTCHHEMEE 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, 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 Fusly 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 Fusly 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.

No. 16.

Extract from the Report of the Acting Principal Collector of Tanjore on the settlement of the District for Fusly 1252, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue dated 7th November 1843.

Para 38. GOONDUPPAH my Head Sheristadar, by the zealous discharge of his arduous duties has fully maintained the character given of him in my last report, and I am indebted to him for valuable assistance.

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP,

Acting Principal Collector.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP.

No. 17.

Letter to Board from J. F. BISHOP, Esquire, recommending that the salary of GOONDUPPAH may be raised to 100 Pagodas.

To

The Secretary to the Revenue Board.

SIR,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board, that GOONDUPPAH, Head Sheristadar of Tanjore completed his 5 years' service as Head Sheristadar on the 1st May 1844, having been 2 years and one month in Bellary, and the remainder 2 years and 11 months in Tanjore. He has now consequently become entitled according to the rules of the 22d March 1816, to an increase of salary, and I request the sanction of Government may be obtained permitting him to draw pay at the rate of 100 Pagodas per month, commencing from the 1st of May last. The merits of this valuable public servant have been borne witness to by Mr. KINDERSLEY and Sir H. MONTGOMERY, in the letter of the latter gentleman to the Board dated 5th May 1841, and it gives me the greatest satisfaction to record my entire approval of his conduct and character while serving under me two years and a half in Tanjore, during which time owing to unfavorable seasons, I had a good opportunity of Judging of his efficiency. His talents are

first rate, and his zeal, assiduity, and uprightness in the discharge of the arduous duties of the Tanjore Cutcherry, are most praiseworthy and well deserving a higher rate of remuneration.

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP.

Nellore, 18th June, 1844.

No. 18.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 817.

*Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 10th August 1844.
(Conveying sanction for the payment to GOONDUPPAH of the increased salary of 100 Pagodas.)*

The Most Noble the Governor in Council authorizes the increased salary of Rs. (350) Three hundred and fifty per Mensem, to be paid to GOONDUPPAH from the 1st May 1844—the date on which he is stated to have completed five years' service in the capacity of Head Sheristadar.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. D. DRURY,

Chief Secretary.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 12th August 1844.

Resolved that a copy of the foregoing order of Government be communicated to the Acting Sub Collector in charge of Tanjore for his information and guidance with reference to Mr. BISHOP's letter dated 3d May 1844.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) E. C. LOVELL,

Acting Secretary.

No. 19.

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 sunned empowering you to draw the increased rate of pay (350 Rupees per Menssem) 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 sunned 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.

No. 20.

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
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

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 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. KINDELSLEY, 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, Nunnillum, 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 1845, 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

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. (Conveying 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

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, 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, thought, 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 Dufter Department.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) J. F. BISHOP.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Collector.

Madras, 22d October, 1853.

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 his 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 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

From Collector to
Bd. of Revenue.
5th May, 1841.
18th June, 1844.
14th March, 1846.
12th June, 1850.

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.

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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.



Ms 293.

Ordered that the memorial submitted with the foregoing address be forwarded to the Honble the Court of Directors with reference to the correspondence which has recently passed on the case of the Memoralist.

To the Secy
4 May 1858

J.P.