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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 28*th February* 1870.

No. 29. Read the following letter from Mr. M. SATUR, late of the Mint Office, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 28th January 1870.

I beg most respectfully to submit a petition, in triplicate, to His Grace the Secretary of State for India, and to request that His Excellency the Governor in Council will be kindly pleased to recommend my unfortunate case favourably to His Grace. The circumstance of the abolition of the Mint hath put it out of my power to forward this application through Colonel J. Carpendale, R.E., the late Mint Master, who is not now in that office.

To

HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF ARGYLL,
Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India.

The humble petition of MATTHEW SATUR,
lately a writer in the Contingent Establishment
of Her Majesty's late Mint at Madras.

MOST HUMBLY SHOWETH,

That your petitioner was employed in the Office Department of Her Majesty's Mint at Madras as a writer on the nominally contingent or temporary list, on a salary of 35 rupees per mensem, for a period of seventeen years and nine days, up to 31st October 1868, when his services were dispensed with, owing to a reduction of establishment, preparatory to the final abolition of the Mint.

2. That your petitioner, during the above period, discharged his duties always to the entire satisfaction of the several Masters of the Mint, and that, on his services being dispensed with, Colonel John Carpendale, Royal Engineers, the then Master, granted your petitioner the following certificate :—

" This is to certify that Mr. M. Satur was employed on the contingent list of the Mint office " from 23rd October 1851 to 31st October 1868, as fair writer, stationery-keeper, and in charge " of the records. During the whole of his service Mr. Satur has been very regular in his attend- " ance, and discharged his duties satisfactorily. His services were dispensed with owing to the " reduction of the establishment."

3. That, on your petitioner's discharge, Colonel Carpendale in his letter to Government, No. 287, dated 11th November 1868, recommended your petitioner for a pension of Rupees 12 per mensem, being about one-third of his salary, to which he would have been entitled under the Uncovenanted Service Pension Rules had he been on permanent establishment.

4. The following is an extract from paragraph 2 of that officer's letter above alluded to :—

" The case of Mr. M. Satur, late fair writer on the contingent list, is a peculiar one, and I take " the liberty of requesting its special consideration. This man has been seventeen years in continuous " employ in the Mint office without a break of any kind, and there is no practical difference in his " case and that of permanent office clerk except in name. The annexed copy of a letter from " Captain J. T. Smith, a former Mint Master, dated 29th March 1841, will show how long the " practice has prevailed, and I venture on account of his continuous service of more than seventeen " years to recommend Mr. Satur for a pension instead of a gratuity."

5. That the Madras Government, in passing their orders on the above letter, directed that your petitioner's application for pension be considered on the receipt of a reply from the Government of India to a reference they appear to have previously made as to whether " Permanent Contingent service" is to be reckoned towards pension.

6. Notwithstanding the Government of India having replied in the affirmative in dealing with two Accountants and two Conicopolies, a portion of whose services were on the said contingent or temporary list, the Madras Government overruled that order apparently in consequence of Colonel Carpendale's subsequent recommendation of a Maistry or Head Cooly in the Mint Foundry similarly situated having left room to a doubt as to the title to pension on account of service on such contingent or temporary list.

7. Now the effect of this order is a total deprivation both of a pension and a gratuity after a very long, faithful, and continuous service of seventeen years and upwards, which, however, it must with every deference be remarked, if rendered elsewhere, will not go unrewarded, thereby merely driving his grey hairs to an early grave when the mature age of 61 years and an impaired constitution hath rendered him totally unfit to earn a livelihood elsewhere to support a large family.

8. All that your petitioner earnestly entreats of your Grace is to consider, in the first instance, whether the services of a clerk is to be placed on the same footing with that of a common Maistry or Head Cooly; secondly, to treat his case as exceptional being an only individual who may come within the scope of an exception to the ordinary rules, Mint being the only establishment under Government, where the system of such a peculiar mode of interminable contingent or temporary establishment had hitherto continued in force; thirdly, to take into consideration his age, and the fact that, previous to his entertainment in the Mint office in October 1851, your petitioner worked very hard in the late Supreme Court during the administrations of P. Cator, Esq., N. B. Ackworth, Esq., and W. A. Serle, Esq., as Registrars and Administrators, which, now to his sheer regret, he left in the hope of enjoying a small pension in old age because no pension was in those days allowed to the employés of the Supreme Court; and, lastly, the pittance sought is so small in amount, and the probable period of its continuance so short and uncertain, that your petitioner has much reason to doubt whether he might live even till the receipt of this humble petition by your ever-esteemed Grace, and craving once more Your Grace's merciful and immediate consideration of your petitioner's unfortunate case, for which, as in duty bound, he shall ever pray.

MADRAS, 28*th January* 1870. (Signed) M. SATUR.

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, 28th February 1870, No. 96.

Ordered that Mr. M. Satur's memorial be forwarded to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, through the Supreme Government.

(True Extract.)

J. I. MINCHIN,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of {1870} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

Dated February, 28th.

Read.

Encl.

G.O., 28th February 1870, No. 96.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 29—31.

Directing that the memorial of Mr. Satur, late a writer on the permanent contingent establishment of the Madras Mint, who prays to be admitted to a pension in consideration of his services extending over seventeen years, be forwarded to the Secretary of State through the Supreme Government.

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To.

His Grace The Duke of Argyll
Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India.

The humble Petition of Mathew Satur
lately a Writer in the Contingent Estab-
blishment of Her Majesty's late Mint
at Madras.

Most Humbly Sheweth,

1. That your Petitioner was employed in the Office Department of Her Majesty's Mint at Madras as a Writer on the nominally Contingent or temporary list on a Salary of 35 Rupees per Mensem for a period of 17 years and 9 days up to 31st October 1868 when his services were dispensed with owing to a reduction of Establishment preparatory to the final abolition of the Mint.

2. That your Petitioner during the above period discharged his duties always to the entire satisfaction of the Several Masters of the Mint; and that on his services being dispensed with, Colonel John Carpendale Royal Engineers the then Master granted your Petitioner the following Certificate.

"This is to Certify that Mr. M. Satur was
"employed on the Contingent list of the Mint Office from
"23d October 1851. to 31st October 1868. as Fair Writer, Stationery
"Keeper, and in Charge of the Records. During the whole of
"his Service Mr. Satur has been very regular in his
"attendance and discharged his duties Satisfactorily. His
"Services were dispensed with owing to the Reduction of the
"Establishment."

3. That on your Petitioner's discharge Colonel Carpendale in his letter to Government No 287. dated 11th November 1868 recommended your Petitioner for a pension of Rupees 12 per

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mendent being about one third of his salary to which he would have been entitled under the Unenumerated Service Pension Rules had he been on permanent Establishment.

4. The following is an extract from Para 2. of that Officer's letter above alluded to.

"The case of Mr. M Salier late Four Writer on the "Contingent list is a peculiar one and I take the liberty of "requesting its special consideration. This Man has been "17 years in Continuous employ in the Mint Office without "a break of any Kind and there is no practical difference "in his case and that of permanent Office Clerk Exception "named. The annexed Copy of a letter from Captain J. T. "Smith a former Mint Master dated 29th March 1841 will "show how long the practice has prevailed. and I venture "on account of his continued Service of more than 17 years "to recommend Mr. Salier for a Pension instead of a "Gratuity."

5. That the Madras Government in passing their orders on the above letter directed that your Petitioners application for Pension be considered on the receipt of a reply from the Government of India to a reference they appear to have previously made as to whether "Permanent Contingent Service" is to be reckoned towards pension.

6. Notwithstanding the Government of India having replied in the affirmative in dealing with 2 Accountants and 2 Comptrollers a portion of whose Services are on the said Contingent or temporary list, the Madras Government overruled that order apparently in Consequence of Colonel Carpendales subsequent recommendation of a Moulding or Head Cooly in the Mint Foundry similarly situated having left ground to entertain doubt as to the title to pension on account of Service on such Contingent or temporary list.

7. Now the effect of this order is a total deprivation both of a pension and a gratuity, after a very long

faithful and continuous Service of 17 years and upwards which however it must in the very defective be remarked if rendered elsewhere will not go unrewarded thereby merely driving his grey hairs to an early grave when the medium age of 61 years and an impaired Constitution hath rendered him totally unfit to earn a livelihood elsewhere to support a large family.

8. All that your Petitioner earnestly entreats of your Grace is to consider in the first instance whether the Service of a Clerk is to be placed on the same footing with that of a Coomar Moulding or Head Cooly, Secondly to treat his case as exceptional being one only individual who may come within the Scope of an exception to the Ordinary Rules, Mint being the only Establishment under Government where the System of such a peculiar mode of interminable Contingent or Temporary Establishment had hitherto continued in force; thirdly to take into consideration his age, and the fact that previous to his entertainment in the Mint Office in October 1851 your Petitioner worked very hard in the late Supreme Court during the administrations of P. Cator Esqr., N B. Ashworth Esqr., and W A Lorkin Esqr. as Registrars and Administrators which, now to his sheer regret, he left in the hope of enjoying a small pension in old age because no pension was in those days allowed to the Employees of the Supreme Court, and lastly the pittance sought is so small in amount and the probable period of its continuance so short and uncertain that your Petitioner has much reason to doubt whether he might live even till the receipt of this humble Petition by your ever esteemed Grace, and craving once more your Graces merciful and immediate consideration of your Petitioners unfortunate case

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Madras,
28th January, 1870.

M. Satur.

Rec'd 28th Feby 1870 & Ans'd 3rd March 1870

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To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I beg most respectfully to submit a Petition in Triplicate to His Grace the Secretary of State for India, and to request that His Excellency the Governor in Council will be kindly pleased to recommend my unfortunate case favorably to His Grace. The circumstance of the abolition of the Mint hath put it out of my power to forward this application through Colonel J. Carpendale R. E. the late Mint Master who is not now in that Office.

I beg to Remain,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,
M. Satur.

Madras,
28th January, 1870.

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Dr. Dr. Satur.
late of the Mint Office

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Forwards a Memorial to Home Govt. soliciting a pension for his past service of over 17 years.

With an order

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No 96 of 26th Feb. 1870.

Ordered that Mr.
Dr. Satur's memorial be forwarded to the Right Hon.ble the Sec.y of State for India, through the Supreme Govt.

By Order

Memo intimating the despatch of the Memorial sent on the 10 March 1870 No 57.

Govt. of {1869} Madras.

Jud.

Dated Feby. 28.

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