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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
30*th July* 1873.

Read the following papers:—

No. 212. To THE HON. W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George.

The humble petition of BHUPATERAJU VENKATAPATERAJU, a Member of the Local Fund Board, Ellore Circle, Godavery District.

MOST RESPECTED SIR,—I most respectfully beg to state that my forefathers for sometime had held high offices under Nizam, and for some time had held the Ministerships in the Peddapur and Vizianagram Sumustanams even up to this moment my forefathers' and my principal profession is by Mokasa. We are honoured by the people as we are related to the Zemindars of Vizianagram, &c., and as we belong to the second of the four great classes into which the whole nation is divided. Your Highness has been pleased to appoint me as a member of the said Local Fund Board, but your Highness did not favour me to offer my usual title, viz., the word Garu, as you did favour the rest of the members. It is for that only that the President and the Vice-Presidents have altogether ceased to add the word Garu to my name.

2. In conclusion, I humbly beg your precious Honour will be pleased to be kind enough to bestow upon me the usual title, viz., the word Garu, and to order the Presidents and the Vice-Presidents to address me to the following effect, viz., Bhupateraju Venkatapateraju Garu, Mokasadar.

21st May 1873.

No. 1366 of 1873.

Referred to the Collector of the Godavery District for report.

(By order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
20th June 1873.

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 213. From W. S. FOSTER, Esq., Acting Collector of the Godavery District, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Cocanada, 16th July 1873, No. 20.

I have the honour to return the petition, No. 1366 of 1873, written by B. Venkatapateraju, complaining that he has not received the affix of "Garu" to his name.

2. His name occurs in the list of members of the Ellore Circle Board, and some got the affix "Garu," and others did not. I did not notice the difference in the list when I sent it on to Government. I would have seen that the mistake was corrected if he had only mentioned the matter to me; but he has never done so, and never all this time been near a Local Fund Board.

3. I do not know how the "Garu" has come to be affixed to names in English. It seems only to occur in the Proceedings of Local Fund Boards and Municipal Commissions. In other places neither Tahsildars nor Deputy Collectors have the affix.

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4. I will give orders that B. Venkatapateraju shall be addressed in any way he wishes, so long as he keeps to such harmless additions to his name as "Garu."

5. I do not think it right to call him "Mokasadar," because I do not know, except from himself, whether he is one, and it is highly probable, if he has any claim to be considered one, there are other people who contest his claim, so it is much better to steer clear of their quarrel, and not offend the one party by calling the other Mokasadar.

No. 214. ORDER THEREON, 30th July 1873, No. 1073.

The Governor in Council approves of the courtesy affix of "Garu" being appended to the names of all Members of Local Fund Boards and Municipalities who would be so addressed in ordinary course by their compatriots.

2. The petitioner will be informed that his request will so far be complied with.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

To all Collectors.
To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Revenue Department.
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 9th July 1873
Read the following
No. 10

From The President of the
Local Fund Board
Nilgiris

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

Sir, In reply to C.O. 1st April 1873 No. 430, F.D, desiring, with reference to a special grant of Rs 2, made by Government on the presentation of the Revd Mr Metz, through the Local Fund Board of this Circle, for examination this year in the Nilgiri villages, to be informed whether it is true that last year several villages were decimated by disease, as Mr Metz writes, I have the honor to state that the words in Mr Metz's letter printed in the Proceedings

Proceedings "by which many Nilgiri villages were decimated" imply not that the decimation occurred last year, but that in the course of a long series of years during which Mr Metz has known the Nilgiri District, the villages have been decimated.

Last year a fever epidemic occurred in one village, but the deaths in the District were only slightly above the average, having been 17.45 per mille against 17.053 per mille in 1871-72.

I have &c &c

Nilgiri 27th Dec Office
Ootacamund
5th June 1873

(Signed) J. R Cockerell
President, Nilgiri Local Fund Board

Submitted to Government,
with reference to Go. 1st April 73, No 430

(True Copy & Extract)

J Grose
Secretary

To
The Chief Secretary to Government
Financial Department

F.D. G.W. Locker

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Financial Dept

No. 1223

Proceedings of the

Board of Revenue

Dated 9th July 1873

Rec'd 12th

Submitting explanation of the President of the Nilgiri L. F. Bd. with reference to the alleged decimation by disease of several villages on the Nilgiris.

Answered 21st July 1873

Rec'd 23rd

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To All Collectors

Dated July. 30

Recd. Encl.

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No. 212 wanting

L. J. Bds & Municps. The affix of "Garu" to the names of all Members of these bodies who would be so addressed in ordinary course by their Compatriots, approved & B. Venkatapatiraz u, Member of the Ellore L. F. Bd, ordered to be informed that his request will be complied with.