M.R.O. 1—89,000—16-10-22.

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 382 Press Mis.

15-16

Dated 16. 3 19 18

Not to be folded or roughly handled

No. 15. Read the following letter from G. N. TAYLOR, Esq., Acting Magistrate of South Arcot; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Tindevanum, 27th February 1858, No. 8.

SIR,

In obedience to the order of Government conveyed in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated 3rd Ultimo, No. 176, I have the honor to report that the released Convict Appavoo, together with the members of his family were formerly inhabitants of a village in the Mayaveram Talook of the Tanjore District, but removed to Permathoor in the Bowanghiri Talook of this District, about 30 years ago. Appavoo is unmarried and his surviving relations are specified in the margin, all of whom are now residing in Permathoor. They possess no property whatever. Petta Padiachy having sold the only house belonging to them several years ago, and they gain their livelihood apparently either by robbery or begging. The elder brother Petta Padiachy held about 2 cawnies of Puttah land in the above village some years ago, which he probably shared with Appavoo, but being left continually waste, this land has long since been transferred to other hands.

Petta Padiachy (elder brother) 2 Nephews, viz., Ponien (1) Chinnapien (2) Sivaghamy (elder sister) Goonden son-in-law of Sivaghamy.

2. Petta Padiachy the brother, and Goonden his sister's son-in-law, were convicted together with Appavoo and shared his 14 years' imprisonment; from which they were liberated on the 16th November last, since their return to this District Goonden has again been apprehended for attempted theft and committed for trial to the Criminal Court.

3. Such are the circumstances of Appavoo's family and, though Sivaghamy his elder sister, and Ponien one of his nephews, have expressed their willingness to support him if he returns to their village, they have no means of doing so except by cooly labor, or by the equivocal mode of life above described.

4. As therefore he is stated to be completely disabled from earning his own livelihood, and it does not appear desirable to continue to support him in Jail, I would beg to recommend that he be granted a subsistence allowance of 2 Rupees monthly, commutable to an equivalent donation in ready money of 200 Rupees and that he be permitted to join his relations or not at his option. The value of his annuity of 2 Rupees per mensem should be calculated with reference to Appavoo's age, of which no mention is made in the papers which accompanied the proceedings under reply.

No. 16. ORDER THEREON, No. 352; dated 16th March 1858.

It is observed that persons who may be maimed or severely injured by accidents occurring in the execution of their duty can, by recent rules, only receive a gratuity of six months' pay, and a Convict cannot be more favorably treated.

Extract Minutes Consultation Financial Department, November 27th, 1857, No. 759.

Under the circumstances however the Government resolve as a special case to award Appavoo the sum of Rupees (30) thirty, being equivalent to a gratuity of six months' salary, taking the latter at the rate of five Rupees a month. The Magistrate of South Arcot to whom Appavoo will be forwarded will disburse this amount to him. He will keep an eye on him and if his conduct be good will endeavour to find him any employment for which he may be fit.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

of £200. Rupees - and that he be permitted to join his relations at his option - The value of his annuity of 2 Rs per annum should be calculated with reference to the period at which he resolves is made & the papers which accompanied the proceedings under reference.

Sd/- Thomas Holmes
Sr
Jno. Macpherson Secy to Govt

Sd/- R. Lees
Ma[illegible] Office
Madras
27th February 1858.

Sd/- F. Elliot Jr
Actg Ma[illegible]

No. 352

It is observed that persons who may be maimed or severely injured by accidents occurring in the execution of their duty are can, by recent rules only receive a gratuity of six months pay and a convict cannot be more favorably treated - under the circumstances how-ever the Govt resolved as a Special case to award Humty Rupees the sum of £30/ rupees 300 being equivalent to a gratuity of

of dix months salary Taking the latter at the rate of four Rupees a month — The Magistrate of South Arcot to whom Approvers will be forwarded will disburse this amount to them — He will keep an eye on them & if his conduct be good will endeavour to find

him any employment for which he may be fit.

Fort St George
16th March 1858

Actg Magistrate S Arcot

Judge Chingleput

Inspector of Prisons

Accts General

Civil Auditor

} Dcsp 18

JP