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## Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 973 Press ~~M.15.~~

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Dated 18-7- ~~1885~~ 1885.

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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, from 16th to 22nd July* 1859.

No. 11. Read the following letter from Captain S. J. BATTEN, in charge of Stipend Pay Office; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Vellore, 15th July 1859, No. 184.

With reference to a private communication from the Private Secretary to the Honorable the Governor, D. F. Carmichael, Esq., of the 11th June ? July, to the address of Brigadier White, I have the honor to report that the family of Stree Vurdarauze Bunge, son of the late Zemindar of Goomsur proceeded this morning to Madras. The individuals marginally indicated, being members of his late father's family, remain at Vellore.

1. Balabudrah Bunge.....
2. Badabahoosooriah Maulee alias Maulathy.....
3. Mooneyackah.....
4. Radah Davee.....

} Prisoners.

I request you will favor me with an official letter, for record, authorizing Stree Vurdarauze Bunge and family to reside at the Presidency.

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No. 12. MINUTE by the HONORABLE the PRESIDENT, dated 13th July 1859.

The case of this person deserves liberal consideration. He was so young when he was sent to Vellore that he could have taken no part in the disturbances in his Native country, and if public reasons exist for his living in banishment, his life ought to be made as agreeable to him as possible. I recommend that he should be permitted to live at Madras under Colonel Boulderson's surveillance, and that his allowance should be restored to 500 Rupees. The other circumstances are explained in Mr. Carmichael's Memorandum.

(Signed) C. E. TREVELYAN.

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No. 13. ORDER THEREON, 18th July 1859, No. 973.

The Honorable the Governor in Council has had under his consideration the case of Stree Varadaraj Bunj, natural son of the late ex-Zemindar of Gumsur, and as such, regarded as the representative of the line. On the sequestration of the Gumsur Zemindari, Varadaraj, in common with the rest of the family, was removed to the Fort at Vellore, in March 1837, when he was between 14 and 15 years of age, and he has continued there to the present time.

2. Shortly after his arrival at Vellore, the Government, to mark their sense of his immoral conduct, reduced his Pension from Rupees 500 to 300 a month. In March 1841, they raised it to 400 on its being reported that he had assumed steady habits, and in June 1842, to Rupees 500, the original grant, on learning that nothing could be "more regular, quiet, and orderly than his behavior." Finally, however, in November 1850, on being informed that Varadaraj was hoarding money, and transmitting considerable sums to his Native country for improper purposes, Government, adverting to his character for intrigue, directed that his allowance should again be reduced to Rupees 300.

3. From that time, that is for nearly nine years, nothing has come before Government to the prejudice of Varadaraj Bunj, and his case seems to them to deserve liberal consideration. He was so young, when he was sent to Vellore, that he could have taken no part in the disturbances in his Native country. If public reasons exist for interdicting his return to Gúmsúr, his life elsewhere should be made as agreeable to him as possible. The Government therefore resolve, in accordance with his wish, to permit him and his family to reside at Madras, under the surveillance of the Commissioner of Police. His Pension will from the commencement of the present month be raised to Rupees 500 per mensem and will be drawn through the Collector of Madras.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
*Chief Secretary.*

Exd. F. Cartledge.

13/7-57.

Dear Rendt.

The Govr desires me to send you this Memo: & papers - about young Goonroo. in order that you may put the whole into shape.

I have written to Genl. White, saying that Vandarangé is to live here in future - & he (V.) has sent for his old mother &c.

Supposing he ever entrigued, he will have no money to spend in Madras - & all eyes will be upon him.

The Govr has written a note on the back of the Memo:

Yours ever
D. Hamilton

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13-T-54

In 1836, the Gunteur Zamindárí was declared forfeited for rebellion, & it was determined to remove the late Rájá's family to the Fort at Vellore. They arrived here in March 37. Varada-
-raj was then between 14 & 15 years of age. He is not legitimate, but, as he was the eldest son of the ex Zamindár, & his bro-
-thers equally with himself were bastards, he was regarded by the people of the country & as the representative of the line. The Hon. G. Russell, the Commr. pointed out that it "wd be necessary to watch "him with care. His temper & character "hold out dim prospects of his turning out "better than his forefathers; but his influence, "if he has any, is very small."

2. Shortly after his arrival at Vellore, the Govt, to mark their sense of his deluded conduct in connection with some slave girls in his mother's suite, reduced his pension from 500 to 300 a month, but raised it again to 400 in March /41, on its being reported that he had assumed steady habits, & had evinced a moderate taste for reading. In June /42 on its being stated by the Brigr that nothing cd be more regular, quiet & well behaved than his conduct" the original grant of R2500 was sanctio-
-ned.

3. Finally, however, in Novr /50, on a report from a fresh Brigadier that Varadaraj was hoarding money, & transmitting considerable sums to his native country (how & his was little more than bare sur-
-mise) the Govt, adverting to the prisoners charac-

* Ten yrs in future, as certified in '37 by Mr Russell, during which his allowance & dignity is to be reduced to R2300. Has he been working up to this amount?

By Permission he was then given him, because it was understood, under surveillance of the Chief Police; he was specially R2500 a month in his own hands, & not to invest this, with the exception of 10 or 12 thousand rupees, which he was to hand over to his Estate's Executors.

Correspondence relating to Ukeda Ramze Bungé. State Prisoner at Vellore.

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d/ 5th Aug: 1836.

The first mention of Ukeda Ramze Bungé seems to have been made by the Hon: Mr. Russel in his letter to Govt. recommending the permanent forfeiture of the Zemindary of Sromeur as well as the removal of the Ex Zemindar's family to a distance, with a suitable provision for their subsistence - He there speaks of him in the following terms - "The disposition of the late Zemindar son makes it necessary to watch him with care - His temper and character hold out dim prospect of his turning out better than his forefathers, and his influence, if he has any, is very small."

Encl 12 Aug: 1836.

The proposal to remove the family from Sromeur, was approved of by Govt, and Mr. Rupel was directed to forward a list of those persons whose

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Rec'd 22 Aug. Judicial 18 Aug. Department

To Brande Esqr the Hon'ble Govt. &c &c &c

Bengal Presidency.

No 97

Dated 13th July 1839.

No 15 of 39.

Recommending that the Zemindari of Sromeur in Mahomedpore be transmitted to Lieut Bradshaw Collector of Rajshahy & Collateral descendants of Ukeda Ramze Bungé deceased.

The case of this Person deserves serious consideration. He was so young when he was sent to Vellore that he could have taken no part in the disturbances in his native country - and if public opinion exists for his being in Zemindari he like ought to be made as useful & harmless as possible. Recommend that he should be transmitted to Lieut Bradshaw Collector of Rajshahy & his allowance should be restored to the extent of Rs 500 Rupees - The case is submitted for orders -

Fort William 13 July 39.

H. Shakespear
Secy to Govt.

Memorandum

Lieut Bradshaw Collector of Rajshahy

Memorandum

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whose removal he considered necessary, stating at the same time, what, in his opinion, would be a suitable provision for their maintenance - If, however, it was found necessary to remove them immediately from their country, he was instructed to forward them at once under a strong escort to the Pay master of Stipends at Vellore.

"Letter of 24th March 1837.

Their arrival was reported by Brigadier Stewart, Comdg Vellore, who stated that the list furnished by Capt. Lambert, who escorted the party, did not correspond with that which accompanied the Warrant of Commitment received from the Govt Office. That warrant was accordingly + Cancelled, and a fresh one issued in which the name of Vurda Rauze Bauze appears with an allowance of Rs 500 monthly.

+ Encl 4th April 1837.

In Gobelter of 28th July 1837 Brigadier Stewart represented the character of this individual in a most unfavorable light

Encl 8th Augt 1837.
Letter of 17th " " "

and recommended the reduction of his Stipend, as he considered that Rs 500 monthly was a larger sum than under his present circumstances, Vurda Rauze Bauze could possibly require. This was referred to the Hon. Mr Russel, who stated that Vurda Rauze Bauze had confirmed the opinion which his experience of his cunning and duplicity had rendered it his duty to express, in respect to his disposition and character, and he expressed his concurrence with the Brigadier in the propriety of marking the misconduct of Vurda Rauze Bauze by reducing his allowance. The Stipend was accordingly at the suggestion of the Brigadier, reduced to Rs 300 per mensem, with a deduction of Rs 40 for his servants whom he had, up to that time, been most irregular in paying.

+ Encl 18th Sept 1837.

In February 1841 Brigadier Napier, at the particular

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request of the members of the Jemsur family State prisoners, submitted a statement of their several pecuniary circumstances, accompanied with his remarks on the peculiar situation and merits of each. In that statement the Brigadier makes the following remark opposite to Vunda Range Bungé's application that his stipend might be raised to Rs 500 monthly, the sum originally fixed for him. "I have had no fault to find with the conduct of Vunda Range Bungé for the last twelve months, he is a very intelligent young man, reads and studies moderately, and I see no objection to increase his salary in the first instance to 400 Rs, the usual deductions of 40 Rs for Nicanahs and servants being made as before". The recommendation was acceded to, pending

Ellen 2d March/41

Vunda Range Bungé's good behaviour.

In June 1842 Major Genl. Gibbon, then Commanding Vellore, stated that since he had charge of the Stipend Office nothing could have been more regular, quiet and well behaved, than the conduct of Vunda Range Bungé, and, at the urgent request of this person that his stipend might be increased to the original amount viz: Rs 500 per mensem subject to the usual deductions of 40 Rs for servants, his application was complied with on the distinct understanding that the indulgence was only pending good behaviour.

Genl 21st June/42.

Two years after Genl. Gibbon

letter of 12th June 1844.

represented that he had received from Vunda Range Bungé several letters couched in very objectionable terms, and in forwarding one in which he appeared to be indisposed to abide by the decision of Govt, recommended that

he should be deprived of his last increase of 100 Rs a month, until he became more sensible that he was treated with indulgent consideration by Govt.

Recd. 12th Augt 1824

Smd. Gibson was desired to warn Vurda Range Bunge that, if he did not conduct himself in a more satisfactory manner, the Govt would be under the necessity of withdrawing the additions to his pension.

In November 1824 Smd. Gibson recommended that, in consequence of his improved conduct, Vurda Range Bunge should be permitted to receive the whole of his Stipend without the usual deduction of Rs 40 for the payment of the servants attached to the Mahal. The Govt did not object to this arrangement, but they intimated that the concession would be withdrawn on any complaint of irregularity in

Recd. 10th Dec. 1824.

paying his servants.

letter of 17th Octo. 1850.

On Brigadier McNeill's report of the intended disposition of Vurda Range Bunge, the Govt fully concurred with that Officer as to the desirableness of reverting to the reduced allowance sanctioned to him in September 1837.

Recd. 12th Nov. 1850 No 469. —

They accordingly directed that, from the 1st November 1850, Vurda Range Bunge should receive a personal allowance of Rs 260, and that 40 Rs should be disbursed to his servants from the Stipend Office, making a total of Rs 300 per mensem.

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# Judicial.

## Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Read letter from the Paymaster of Stipends at Vellore — Enter 15th July 1859 No. 184.
Minute by H. E. the Presi.
Ditto in Council — Enter 13th July 1859.

Order thereon - 18th July 1859 - No. 973

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3. His permitting Varadaraj Bung to take up his residence at the presidency, the Honble the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that his allowance of Rs. 500 Five Hundred should be restored to him. While at Madras, Varadaraj will be under the surveillance of the Commissioner of Police.

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The Paymaster of Stipends at Vellore.
" Commissioner of Police.
" Civil Auditor
" Accts. Genl.
" Pol. Dept.
" Govt. of Madras.

Dated 18th

his return to Madras, his life elsewhere should be made as agreeable to him as possible - The Govt. presumes, in accordance with this his family to reside at Madras, on the annexation of the Commissioners of Police - His pension will from the commencement of the present month be raised to R 500 per mensem & will be drawn thro' the Govt of Madras.

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Copy sent in Letter to England
by 4th Aug. No 33 of 1862

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Proceedings of Govt.

D/10 July 1859.
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Permitting Stree Kurdaraj Ranga and his family to reside at Madras under the Surveillance of the Commissioner of Police and raising his pension to Rs. 50 per Mensem.

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Proceedings of Govt

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