

Judicial (1895) Department.

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G.O., No. 1075

Dated 20 May 1895

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[Despatch Abstract.]

CONVICT.

Declining to interfere with the sentence passed on---Moorthi
Pillai confined in the Madras Penitentiary.

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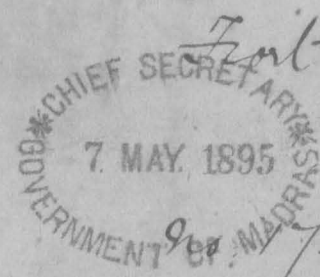
Committee no. 69/5 P. Mowthys Dallas
Confined in Mr. Penitentiary
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His Excellency the Right Hon.
The Governor in Council
Fort Saint George

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Nº 2376

Submitted to Government for

dated 29 April 95

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4th May 95

A. G. Cardew
Inspector of Prisons.

The Petitioner prays for an order
for release from jail.

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Form No. 53

Nominal Roll of Convict No. 6915 *Moot the Pillai*

Crime.	Sentence.	Date of Sentence.	Adjudicating Court.	Present Age.	State of Health.	Conduct in Jail.	Result of the Appeal to Appellate Court.	Number of previous convictions if any and remarks.
possession of a valuable property and Criminal Breach of Trust by a public servant Sec 407 & 409 I.P.C.	2 years 6 months 10 days	14 November 1894	High Court Madras	40 years	good	good	no appeal against the sentence of the High Court	no previous convictions

Chief Officer
April 1895

P. W. Sreedhar
Superintendent of Prison Jail,

Rules 701 and 704.

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To

His Excellency the Right Hon.

The Governor in Council

Fort Saint George.

The humble petition of Convent

No 6915 P. Morthy Pillai

Confined in the Trench

Madras

Shamir,

On the 15 April 1870 I was employed in the Police force in the Rarnool District and got myself transferred to Madras and resigned that appointment in July 1879. My no. in the Police force was 25. I then served in the Devan College for 5 years under Messrs. John Cook M.A. B.A. Chester M.A., C.M. Barrow B.A. Principals of that institution and received good testimonials from them. By the recommendation of Mr. B.H. Clerk I was entertained as a Volunteer in the Post office and served for 9 months and in 1894 obtained permanent employment 1-1 in the Telegraph Office. On 4 November 1894, at my own request I got myself transferred to Burmah Field Service. On my return the Presidency Post-master gave me a permanent place of a post man in Rajapet Sub Office in January 1897. I continued to be in the same appointment up to 17 June 1894. When I came as a postman there was a Sahib Post-master and subsequently one Shegahaya mudaliar.

The present post master and myself have not been in good terms for the last two years. Once when the Post master was giving me money for the money orders he with the intention of ruining me gave me once a 10 Rupee note and at another time 10 Rupees in excess and when I returned the excess money, he entered in the "Error Book" 'honestly returned'. If I had not returned the money he would have handed me over to the Police. Finding that his aim was thus baffled he was eagerly waiting for an opportunity to ensure my ruin and set up this case against me.

I borrowed money from the Sawcars and for this a decree was obtained in the Court that I should pay 2 Rs on the 4th of every month and 1½ Rs on the 15th. I was thus plunged in debt. I was not paying money to the Sawcars in due time. Of the Sawcars one Babji Davay threatened me that he would take a warrant to arrest me in default of paying the money due for June 1894 and went away. On the morning of 18 June 1894 while I was going to the office Babji Davay told me that he obtained a warrant for my arrest and that he was therefore waiting for me and that the first fear would be coming. On this I being afraid and thinking that if I went to the office I would be arrested and also fearing that my enemy the Post master who was endeavouring for my ruin would embrace that opportunity

and thus ruin me, absconded without going either to the office or my house. The Post master took advantage of this opportunity and asserting that I did not deliver the money orders to the parties concerned, went to those parties and induced them to lodge a complaint against me. With the intention of recouping the alleged embezzlement out of my security and also with the intention of ruining me he brought 3 charges against me of forgery and cheating a sum of Rs 400. On 16 June 1894 money orders for Rs 499-10- were handed over to me for delivery. I have delivered all the money orders except those for 400 Rs. & 25 Rs. as the parties were absent and therefore the said money orders were held in deposit. On the following day (i.e.) Sunday when I attended the office the Post master retaining the Rs 25 money order gave me the money order for 400 Rs. and a fresh money order for 10 Rs. received that day for delivery and I have accordingly paid them to the parties concerned. While so I was charged with absconding with 400 Rs. If I had the intention of cheating I could have done so on the 16th when the amount was more. But I had not the slightest idea of doing this mischief and it will thereby be seen that it is a charge set up against me. If I had the intention of cheating I could have easily done so while I was in the Police Dept. and while I was employed in the District Magistrate's office when I was entrusted with the Collectors

of the school fees. during the months of January
and May. While I was employed in Burma
in the field Post office I was entrusted with
large and heavy amounts of money. I had no
intention of cheating Govt. even then. During the
ten years service in the Post office from 1884 to
17 June 1894 good lots of money were given to me
for delivery; if I had the idea of cheating I
should have done so then. ^{I pray that} The Govt. will be
pleased to send for the records from the Post office.
and see that I have done my work without
complaint and mistake. The Prosecutor deposed
before the Court that the 400 Rs order alone
was received by him and none was received before
that. On the 13 October 94 I petitioned to the
Clerk of the Crown requesting him to send for
and produce all the money orders delivered by
me and that office did not do so. It
will be seen that I have delivered to the Prosecutor
a Telegraphic money Order on 10 May. The Prosecutor
did not sign this but put a mark saying that
he does not know to write and his father Mr
Gathirvelu mudaliar signed in it as a witness.
The Prosecutor has further deposed that
the Telegraphic money order was not received. but an
inland money order for Rs 20/- and that was
not in his favour but in favour of his father.
Gathirvelu mudaliar. I beg that the Govt. may
be pleased to order the Post master general
to produce all the money orders paid by the
Petitioner the export man no 73 during the

months of April and May.
2. facts.

On the 4 October 1893 Natal money Order
was received to the address of P. R. Verasamy but
prior to that it was addressed as Peria Thambay
Sami Verasamy. I therefore objected to deliver
the money owing to this difference. Then the said
Peria called upon the Post master and
represented the case and the Post master
ordered me to pay the amount obtaining Peria's
signature as Peria Thambay. In the month of
April and May 94 a Natal money order
was received addressed to a woman ^{P. R. Verasamy} living opposite
his house in which money order he signed
as a witness. I beg that the Govt. may be
pleased to send for the 5 Natal money
orders delivered by me from January 1892 to
31 May 1894 from which it will be seen whether
I cheated. It will also show that the
Post master has set up the case against
me. If the Clerk of the Crown had ordered
the production of all the money orders before
the High Court in compliance with my
request I would have been acquitted. It is
upon the evidence of the Post office officials
I was convicted. When I begged the Court
to adjourn the case for 3 days and pass the sentence
after looking into the money orders referred to;
but the Court declined to do so as it would take
a long time. I was convicted and sentenced to

3 years rig. supt. for the 1st offence and 56 months
for the 2nd offence. I complete my 25 years service
by the close of this month.

As I am a poor man having children I
beg that the Govt. will be pleased to patiently
go through the case and Release me from
custody. This is a case set up against me
through spite.

Moorthi Pillai

De. W. S. S. S. S.
Sapota P. S. S.
Madras
29-4-95

K. S. S.
Joint Secy.

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JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

CURRENT No. 2394 of 1895.

Application for remission of sentence from convict Moorthi Pillai
in the H. P. S. S. S.
Jail, Madras

FOR ORDERS.

Very case.
I cannot interfere.

RS
15/5/95

Name of the Convict

Moorthi Pillai (No 6915)

Offence committed.

Forgery of a valuable security
& criminal breach of trust
by a public servant (Case 467 & 409)
Y. S. S. S.

Adjudicating Court.

High Court, Madras.

Sentence imposed.

3 years & 6 months R.S.

Result of appeal to High Court.

Previous Convictions.

Nil

Newspaper reports in the
case is subd.

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13/5/95.

PETITION FROM CONVICT

H. M.

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Judicial Department.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following endorsement :—

From the Inspector-General of Prisons, dated
No.

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C. No 2304

ORDER, dated *the 20th May* 1895, R. No. *1075*

THE Inspector-General of Prisons will cause convict No. *6915 Moorthe*
Pillai confined in the *H. M. Prison Jail at Bangalore, Madras*
to be informed that the Government declines to interfere with the sentence passed
upon *him*

(True Extract.)

(From order)
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17.5.95

for Chief Secretary.

Despatched

To the Inspector-General of Prisons, 25 MAY 95
with judgment. M.S.

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