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No. 177. Read the following Memorial from Raja B. NAGUNNAH NÁYUDU, Bahadúr, Zamíndár, to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 22nd April 1861, No 1,333:—

HONORABLE SIR,

1. With due deference and submission I beg leave to represent for your Excellency's information, that when the Honorable British Government were engaged in wars to take possession of the countries, namely, Maharatta, Ozeem, Nurbudda, Nagpoo, Seringapatam, &c., my late grand-father Raja Nagunna Náyudu, Bahadúr, since 1798 supplied on contract to the several Field Forces draught bullocks, carts, coolies and the requisite provisions, with the utmost diligence and honesty with a view to acquire the good-will of the Government. The then Military Commanders, Colonel John Malcolm, Generals Doveton, Stephen, Wellesley, Hously, &c., communicated to my grand-father their intentions and orders through disguised men and who had in one word acted as their confidential Agent in complying with all their wishes, and for which they conferred upon him great honors in appreciation of such meritorious services rendered by him as will be perceived by the enclosure marked A. Since 1810, a contract was entered into with the Commissariat Department for supply of bullocks, carts, &c., to any extent required; and I also pursue the same calling and have proved myself worthy of obtaining the same honor from Government.

2. My late grand-father with a view to conduct himself satisfactorily and confidentially with the British Government in the performance of his duties as supplier of cattle, carts, &c., engaged the services of many of his countrymen to protect and keep ready, large number of bullocks for services whenever required; and for which purpose, considered it expedient to purchase from Government an Estate called Goodoor Purgannah, a village situated near Masulipatam, to enable us to have always at hand a large stock of bullocks in the immediate vicinity, and by this means to secure a large tract of pasture ground at command to graze the cattle on.

3. The land in the Goodoor Purgannah not being very fertile, the Ryots being poor, were unable to carry on the cultivation. I always felt constrained to execute frequent repairs to the tanks, irrigation channels, &c., as well as to advance considerable sums of money to the Ryots in order to enable them to bring those lands advantageously under cultivation. The late Collector of Masulipatam, in 1847, at my request, caused the Purgannah to be made into subdivisions, as may be proved by the accounts which I am in possession of. Although the Purgannah was not calculated to afford any tangible benefit and advantage, yet it was maintained as a landed hereditary property to be enjoyed successively from generation to generation; and it was also useful in facilitating the performance of my contract to Government. When the kist was first fixed by Circar, it was under the impression that when the irrigation channels, &c., are put in an efficient state, the Purgannah would prove advantageous, and I therefore consented to the same, and caused the payment thereof to be regularly and punctually made, and also desired the Collector frequently to repair the irrigation channels, &c., in order to render the lands more productive.

4. When Government desired to excavate a channel named Angacodoo from the river Kistna, a branch channel had to be cut through my village of Vulloor situated between the Kistna river and the Government lands, and the Collector then promised to give me in return certain other lands or compensation in lieu of that taken away in my village. In order to have a supply of water available to the lands in my village, I was obliged to bear, at the instigation of the Collector, a part of the expenses incurred for its excavation, but the Collector has neither afforded his assistance from preventing the people unnecessarily interfering with the irrigation channel and stopping its flow into my lands, nor compensated me for the value of the lands taken from my village.

5. In the year 1851, when the late Northern Circar Commissioner, Walter Elliot, Esq., came to Masulipatam, I informed him that of the fixed kist on my Purgannah, I paid a portion and withheld payment of the remainder, viz., Rupees 19,406, in consequence of the Collector having taken possession of a portion of my Purgannah for the channel and failed to assign me

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in return a land equal in value and produce, and begged of him to institute an inquiry into the matter of his promise and to decide what sum I may deduct from the kist on account of the lands so taken. Although he promised to do so, but from the circumstances of my having demurred to render assistance in certain matters connected with the public employés on whom he then pursued his inquiry, the Commissioner unjustly confiscated my Purgannah and sold it in public auction at great disadvantage. Pending the result of this inquiry alone, that the payment of the balance was delayed, and not from the lack of funds or inclination to meet the demand, as the Government will at once see from the circumstance of my possessing public Government Securities to a very large extent, that I was quite capable of satisfying the demand.

6. I earnestly solicit attention to the following particulars:—

First.—In the matter of Davaracota Zamíndár and some others in the Zillah of Masulipatam, certain sums of money were to be refunded by Government on account of certain lands, &c., assumed by them and which amounts were justly and fairly authorized by Government to be taken into account to meet the payment of their kist to Circar and the balances paid in cash to the Zamíndárs; if such justifiable measure had been adopted in my case, I would have accordingly paid Government what may be found to be the standing balance against me, after deducting the value of lands taken from my Purgannah for public use, but I regret to observe, neither any such indulgence was shown to me nor justice rendered by inquiry into the cause of Government Ryots unnecessarily interrupting the flow of water into my village.

Second.—Great injustice was perpetrated by having sold in public auction the whole Purgannah consisting of several sub-divisions. The fixed kist for the whole Purgannah was 26,600 Rupees, a portion of which was paid, and only 19,406 Rupees remained against me.

Third.—In parity of argument and justice therefore, such portion of the Purgannah as may be found equal in value to the sum of Rupees 19,406 ought alone to have been confiscated, and not the whole Purgannah. Besides this the auction took place not at Masulipatam as is usual, but at Ellore at a very short notice and interval, thus affording no opportunity for influential Zamíndárs and others to come forward to compete for the property.

Fourth.—It is evident from the foregoing, that a Purgannah yielding 26,600 Rupees had been confiscated on account of a small balance of Rupees 19,406, and even which was sold for the lowest sum of Rupees 5,000; this act appears unprecedented and unjustifiable.

7. Notwithstanding the Purgannah yielding a Peshkash of Rupees 26,600 was sold and taken by the Commissioner for Rupees 5,000, an Enayetnamah* was also issued demanding from me 14,406 Rupees, as the balance due out of 19,406 Rupees after deducting 5,000 Rupees the sale proceeds. By this I not only lost my landed hereditary right and property, but also was driven to the necessity of foregoing my claims for the sum of Rupees 60,000, which the inhabitants of the Purgannah owed me. With a view to induce me to give up my claims against the Ryots, I was sent for to Bazawadah and there compelled to sign a Kararnamah prepared by the Collector under instructions of the Commissioner, to the effect of relinquishing my claims against the Ryots for the large sum in question.

8. Since I was deprived and alienated, my Purgannah was placed from the Fasli 1261, under the management of the Government officials. Although the irrigation channel from the Kistna Anicut has free access into the Purgannah as to other Government lands, yet it does not repay the expenses and labour incurred for its improvement, nor yield the Revenue it did while it was in my possession.

9. I not only regularly paid Government 26,600 Rupees annually, and maintained a large Establishment of servants, but also improved the Estate by large outlay of money for repairing the channels, water-courses, &c., now it is evident that the Government has not at all benefited by its possession; while on the contrary, it would be highly beneficial to them, if the Purgannah be restored to me, as I would then continue to pay not only the kist, but also the tax imposed on account of the irrigation channel.

10. Further, I respectfully beg leave to observe, that during the last 60 years the Zamíndári was in the possession of my late grand-father and ourselves, and at no time the payment of the Peshkash money was withheld, delayed or evaded under any pretence, either on account of

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the failure of the crops, or the want of periodical rains, as is the practice among other Zamíndárs in the Northern division. I cannot suppose that Government will class me as one among those many Zamíndárs, inasmuch as I spared no time, expense or opportunity to supply the Government Field Forces, all articles required, as well as ammunition, according to their exigency and circumstances. With such meritorious action and service of 70 years devoted to the cause of Government, no peculiar favor or special acknowledgment has been shown in appreciation of the services thus rendered. The enclosures marked A and No. 1, will clearly convince your Excellency in Council, the high and valuable services rendered to several Military Officers of the British Government at the critical times of war by my grand-father, as well as by myself, *Vide* No. 2 of the said enclosure A.

11. To some Native Revenue Officials, who rendered a few years' meritorious services to Government, lands were bestowed upon them in perpetuity to be enjoyed as free Jáhírs, while to others full pensions were granted, which acts speak highly of the nobility of stern justice and benevolence, which characterise the administration of the British Government. I now humbly submit, that if my services, and those of my grand-father's, be taken into just and benign consideration, I flatter myself your Excellency in Council will no doubt deem us more deserving of higher honors and favors than those bestowed on Revenue servants. The Shawls and gold Armlet presented to me as a reward on the 5th November 1860, in consideration of the services rendered in 1857 during the Campaign of the Saugor Field Division, are however considered in my estimation valuable acknowledgments.

12. In the late mutiny, some natives who rendered small assistance by making few supplies, were presented with ready money and Jáhírs to be enjoyed by them for generations, and were also duly notified in District Gazettes by the late Collectors of Masulipatam and Guntoor. As we from three generations manifested the most lively affection and interest for the well being of the British Government by rendering in times of emergency, both in peace and war, every necessary assistance by meeting all demands of the Field Forces, in obedience to their orders, inasmuch as to quit even our own homes and proceed to far and distant countries with large Establishment of servants exposed to all difficulties, I should consider, must be sufficient to induce the Government to view with indulgent consideration, the aforesaid circumstances and to be graciously pleased to order the restoration of our aforesaid Goodoor Purgannah, together with such other Jáhír as the Government may be pleased to confer upon me to be enjoyed as an hereditary right.

13. I beg that your Excellency in Council will be graciously pleased to view my claims under your favorable consideration and auspices, by the grant of the boon and encouragement prayed for from the hands of a liberal Government, which will be cherished and perpetuated as the standing monument of the justice and munificence of a truly enlightened British Government in rewarding merits.

With the expression of my respectful sentiments of esteem and regard, permit me to subscribe myself.

No. 178.

ORDER THEREON, 18th June 1861, No. 1,214.

1. The Governor in Council observes that the Goodoor Parganá was sold and purchased by Government in 1852, and he declines now to entertain the question of its restoration as a matter of right. But in further recognition of the acknowledged services since rendered by memorialist to the Government, he resolves to restore it on such a Peshkash as may be adapted to its present improved condition. With a view to determining the future Peshkash the Collector of the Kistna District will report without delay on the resources of the Estate and the degree in which it has benefited by irrigation works executed at the cost of Government.

2. These proceedings will be reported in due course for the information of the Home Government.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To
Rajah Bomdewar Nagunah
Zemindar of the Tulloor & Gundoor
Pergunnahs in the Masulipatam
Circar, and principal Owner of Public
Cattle with the Hyderabad Subsidiary
Force..

1st The Right Honorable the Governor has
directed me to acknowledge the receipt of your
address to His Lordship under date the December 1st 1857

2nd His Lordship has noticed with much satisfaction
various public testimonies of your zeal and fidelity
during a series of years, in which you have served
the Honorable Company as principal Owner and
Manager of the Public Cattle employed with the
Hyderabad Subsidiary Force..

3rd The requests contained in your address have
been complied with by His Lordship in Council as
far as it has been found practicable and directions
have in consequence been given to the several Boards
and Departments to communicate with you on the
particular subjects referred to them..

[Signed] H. M. Moulton
Military Secy.

Masulipatam 3^d Decemr 1802.

Nagarah.

I now return to you your people,
and Bullocks with a great many thanks to you
for the loan of them. They have all behaved
very well.

You must write to me soon regarding
the munagall man who owes you the six thousand
rupees I have mentioned the circumstances
to Mr. Malcolm, who will do every thing in
his power to have it settled for you.

Your sincere well wisher
Signed J. Wilson

Rs 1403/8/-

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Articles of Agreement indentured
made executed and entered into this Third
day of February in the Year of Christ One
Thousand ^{Eight hundred} and seven Between The United
Company of Merchants of England trading
to the East Indies by their Governor and in
Council The Right Honorable Lord in
William Carruthers Bentinck Governor
and President in Council and Sir John
Francis Stradock Knight of the Bath and
Commander in chief of His Majesty's and the
said United Company's troops serving under the
Presidency of Fort Saint George and one of the
Members of Council and William Petrie and
Thomas Cakes Esquires the other Members
of the said Council of the one part and Rajah
Bombay Nanganah a Zemindar of Tullore
and Gondar Puzumnah in the Service of
Maulipatam but now resident at Hydrabad
of the other part.

Whereas the said Rajah Bombay Nanganah being
the principal owner of Cattle at Hydrabad has by his only
Authorized Vakil addressed The Right Honorable the Governor
in Council of Fort Saint George aforesaid and proposed to
enter into a contract for the supply of all draught and
carriage Bullocks as well as Carts and drivers which may
be required by Government for the conveyance from Maulipa
tam to Hydrabad and to other Stations of Military and other
Stores treasure Grain and other public property and he has
proposed not to charge for more than forty days hire from
Maulipatam

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Bentinck
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Maunulipatam to Hyderabad and to no other place than those mentioned. And whereas the said proposal has been taken into consideration by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort Saint George and in consideration of the satisfactory testimonies that have been given of the former public services of the said Rajah Rameswar Naigunah in the Bullock Department of the Army as well during the late war in Mysore as on subsequent important occasions where his services were required and also in consideration of the said Rajah Rameswar Naigunah having entered into a Contract with the Resident at Hyderabad for the supply of one thousand and five hundred Brought and Two thousand thirty days previous notice given to him for that purpose and the supply of half those numbers on fifteen days previous notice being given to him and moreover on a full reliance of the strictest attention and the most faithful discharge of the engagements entered into by the said Rajah Rameswar Naigunah it has been resolved that his proposal shall be accepted. Now these Presents witness and the said Rajah Rameswar Naigunah doth hereby for himself his heirs Executors and personal Representatives consent and agree to and with the said United Company following that is to say that he the said Rajah Rameswar Naigunah shall and will so long as the Governor in Council of Fort Saint George or any person authorized for that purpose shall require the same find provided and supply such and so many Bullocks with Drivers and Minstrels and also such and so many Carts as may at any time be necessary for the purpose of conveying Military and other stores

Stores Measure Grain and other public property from Maunulipatam to Hyderabad and to other stations - And also that he the said Rajah Rameswar Naigunah for the more effectually performing and carrying into effect the engagements hereby made and entered into shall and will at all times have and employ some person or persons as his Tahsil or Agent at Maunulipatam aforesaid (unless he the said Rajah Rameswar Naigunah shall in himself reside at that place) to whom application may be made and orders given for the supply of such Bullocks Carts and Drivers as may be wanted for and required by the Commanding Officer of that place which person or persons there acting as Tahsil or Agent shall and will from time to time and at all times as often as may be required within five days after any notice shall be given and observed made by such Commanding Officer produce and have ready fit for travelling any number of Bullocks that may be required to the number of one thousand with Minstrels and Drivers complete and shall and will as within the said space of five days submit to have in the same mustered by or under the orders of such Commanding Officer and shall safely and securely carry and convey all such Stores and effects from Maunulipatam to Hyderabad and to all other stations and shall be answerable for and make good all loss and damage that may happen to or befall any of such Stores and effects on the road except such loss and damage shall happen by reason of the overflowing of Rivers or by reason of public enemies or Robbers but such accidents shall not release the said Rajah Rameswar Naigunah from his liability if

if it shall satisfactorily appear that the same happened
or arose by or through the neglect means aid or inform-
ation of persons in his employ And also that he the said
Rajah Bomdaser Nanjannah so long as the said Governor
in Council shall think proper to employ him in provision
of such Bullocks Carts and Drivers shall on no occasion
charge for more than forty days here for such Bullocks
Carts and Drivers from Masulipatam to Hyderabad and so
in proportion from that place to all other stations except in
those cases where any stoppages or detentions shall be occasioned
by heavy rains by the overflowing of Rivers by officers com-
munity Escorts or by such like unavoidable occurrences to be
duly certified and proved to the satisfaction of the Honorable
Company's Resident at Hyderabad or of the Commanding
Officer of the subsidiary force with the surgeon or of such
other person as may be in command of the station to which
such Bullocks Carts and Drivers may be sent and the
amount of such hire shall be regulated and paid by the
ordinary and accustomed rate of pay given by the said United
Company for the hire of Bullocks Carts and Drivers. And the said
United Company by their said Governor and Council of Fort
Saint George for and in consideration of the engagements
and of the covenants and agreements herebefore entered into
and to be performed by the said Rajah Bomdaser Nanjannah
do for themselves and their successors covenant promise
and agree to and with the said Rajah Bomdaser Nanjannah
do for themselves and their successors covenant promise
and agree to and with the said Rajah Bomdaser Nanjannah
his executors and personal Representatives that they in
Governor in Council of Fort Saint George shall and will
on all occasions during the existence of these presents
and

and on the Terms and conditions herein contained exclusively
employ and hire the Bullocks Carts and Drivers to be furnished
and supplied by the said Rajah Bomdaser Nanjannah or
by his Heir or Agent in the conveyance of all public
stores and effects from Masulipatam to Hyderabad and to
all other stations. And also shall and will by their payment
at Masulipatam pay or cause to be paid to the said Rajah
Bomdaser Nanjannah his executors or personal Represent-
atives all such hire pay and allowances as he or they
may be entitled to. And such payments shall be made
on the production of satisfactory certificates from Hyderabad
and the other stations of the actual delivery of the stores
and effects at those places. And moreover if it shall be
certified by the Commanding Officer at Masulipatam
that any delay has necessarily taken place at that station
in despatching the Bullocks and Conveyances after they
were provided and ready for any Journey or if in like
manner any delay shall necessarily take place in despatching
the Bullocks after they shall have delivered the stores
and effects at the stations which they were consigned and
a proper and satisfactory certificate shall be given of the
cause or causes and time of such detention. Then such
allowances shall be made for such detention and delay
as shall be deemed reasonable and a proper satisfaction
for the same and in case of any dispute as to the amount
the same to be finally settled by the Governor in Council
of Fort Saint George Provided always and it is hereby
agreed and declared by and between the parties to these
presents. That it shall and may be lawful at any time
for the said Governor in Council of Fort Saint George
by a notice in writing to that effect to be given to or left
for

for the said Rajah Bomdayer Nanjannah or delivered to his
Tahsil or Agent at Madras or Maunipatam to put an
end to the Contract and Agreement entered into by these
persons any thing before contained to the contrary notwithstanding. In witness whereof the said Governor
and Council have to and part hereof to remain with
the said Rajah Bomdayer Nanjannah set their hands and
affixed the common seal of the said United Company. And
the said Rajah Bomdayer Nanjannah hath set his hand
and seal to one other part hereof to remain with the
said Governor and Council the day and year first
before written.

Signed Sealed and
Delivered (where stamp
paper is not in use)
in the presence of

Witness W. Bentinck

(Do) J. F. Chadock

(Do) J. M. Petrie

(Do) J. Oakes

Signed J. G. Kettle

To

Rajah Bomdavee Naganah
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I have been requested by the Military Board to forward to you Original Agreements between the Honorable Company and yourself for the supply of Bullocks and Carts for the use of the Public Service at Masulipatam.

The one Agreement signed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is to remain in your possession. The other you will be pleased to sign, and deposit with the Resident, or Commanding Officer at Hyderabad.

/Signed/ Alex Orr
My Aud. Seal

Fort St. George
25th June 1867

[Signature]
Bomdavee Naganah

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Extract of a letter from the Commissary General's Office
to Major Macintosh, Deputy Commissary General with the
Head Quarters of the Hyderabad Subsidary Force under
date the 31st March 1813.

"In forwarding these papers the Commissary
General has desired me to request that you will im-
mediately endeavour to arrange with the family of the late
Rajah Naganah that the modified contract for the supply
of ~~food~~ Carriage concluded with Latah shall now be
made out in the name of Naganah's son; that some
active and efficient persons shall be nominated and
recognized in the Contract as empowered to manage
the concern on account of the family, and that the same
security for the due performance of the engagement shall
now be afforded as has hitherto been given from the
period of Naganah's death until the present time.

"It will be desirable that this arrangement
should be accomplished as early as possible and you will
of course have the goodness to report for the information
of the Commissary General the progress and result of
the steps which you may take for carrying these
instructions into effect."

I have been further directed to take this
opportunity of acknowledging the receipt of your letter
of the 11th Ult^o and to inform you that the Commissary
General being satisfied of the convenience and advantage
of allowing a Pelly Master to be employed with the cattle
attached to each Corps although the number may not
amount to one hundred, he has recommended to Govern-
ment that this modification may be introduced in the
Articles of agreement which the Honorable Company's
Solicitor

has been instructed to prepare, but which cannot of
course be concluded until the completion of the
arrangement alluded to in this letter shall have
been communicated to him.

/Attn: Extnch/

/signed/ N. Macintosh

D. C. Lind

Commissionary General's Office
Rajah Gomma davarah Venkata Narayana
Aidoo

I have received your letter of the 28 of March last, and being sensible of the efficient manner, in which for a long time past your father and his representatives fulfilled their engagements for the supply of Draft and Carriage Bullocks with the Subsidiary Force of Hyderabad. I had anticipated your wishes for a continuation of the Contract on your family; and on hearing of the death of Tatiak at which I was much concerned I recommended to the Government that new Agreements should be made out in your name; that some proper and active persons should be nominated and included in the Contract as authorized to manage the Concern on account of your family; and that the same Security should be taken for the due performance of the engagements, as had been afforded from the time that the Original Contract was given to the late Rajah Nanjiah.

The Honble the Governor in Council having been pleased to approve of this recommendation I have desired Major Macintosh who has hitherto conducted the correspondence with your family, to arrange the modified Contract, and it only now remains for me to express my entire concurrence with your wish, that Achiak Aidoo may be employed

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the room of the late Tariah, to manage the concern;
to add my desire that his name may be recognized
the Contract, as fully empowered to act on your
behalf.

Signed / W. Morrison
Comy Secy.

Fort St. George }
19 April 1813 }

To

Commissary General's Office

Rajah Roudaver Vencata Narasimha Naidu

In a letter which I wrote to you on the 19th of April last I informed you that the Honble the Governor in Council had been pleased to approve of my recommendation that the contract for the supply of Draft and Carriage Bullocks with the Subsidiary Force of Hyderabad should be continued in your family and that new agreements should be made out in your name accordingly. Since that time, you have been further apprized of many particulars regarding the subject, by Major Macintyre who was desired to correspond with you under my instructions, and as every point may now be considered as arranged a form of agreement has been prepared one copy of which I have signed by you, it is intended shall remain in my possession and one other copy to be signed by me, will remain with you. Before these agreements however are finally drawn out and executed, I think it proper, in order to prevent all misunderstanding, hereafter that you should receive from me a copy of the contract about to be concluded, and that you should signify to me your consent to the same. I therefore send to you the accompanying paper, and as I am confident after all that has been written that no difficulties on your part will cause any further delay I shall expect that you will return it to me, with an assurance that you are ready and willing to sign a contract to that effect, as soon as possible, when the regular copies of the agreement as above alluded to will be immediately prepared.

Fort St George
24 September 1813

Signed M. Morrison
Comd Genl

Signed J.P.

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Venkata Varunka Naider.

I have the pleasure to inform you that the contract which you have entered into for the exclusive supply of draft and carriage bullocks for the use of the subsidiary force has been received the ratification of the Honorable Council.

I have accordingly sent a copy of the contract of Major Mackintosh the Deputy Commissary General at Jaulnah and another copy to Lieutenant Campbell the Deputy Commissary General at Secunderabad with instructions to them to attend particularly to all the stipulations agreed on, and as I have every confidence in their Officers I am convinced that they will carefully observe the terms of the contract, and will exercise the superintendence and control with which they are entrusted in such a manner as shall be most satisfactory to you, and most beneficial to the Public Interest.

I take this opportunity of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 11th of November last and of acquainting you in reply that I shall be always happy to listen to any representations which you may wish to make either by any person whom you may send to Madras or by letters and that I hope to receive letters from you whenever you have any thing to communicate. I think it proper however distinctly to apprise you that the whole of the contract as it has now been concluded must be strictly observed.

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observed, that no alteration can be made in any part of it
and that in fact it must be altogether fulfilled or entirely
relinquished. I will not therefore now allude to any of the
trifling objections which you have mentioned, but shall
repeat to you my full belief that if you are only desirous
to carry on the public service with the same efficiency
zeal and fidelity which distinguished your father and which
his lamented death were evinced by your representation
of the concerns of the contract will smoothly be conducted
without difficulty, and to the entire satisfaction.

The adjustment of all accounts connected with
the contract will continue to be made at Jaulnah, in the
same mode in every respect as formerly.

Signed W. Morrison

Comd. Genl.

Fort St. George }
5th January 1814 }

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To Commissary General's Office
Rajah Bomdave Venkata Narsimha Naidoo

I have received your letter of the 5th Instant and I am happy to learn that you have visited Secunderabad and Jaulnah for the purpose of inspecting and arranging every affair connected with the Contract which you hold for the supply of hired cattle for the use of the Subsidiary Force of Hyderabad.

I have also derived much satisfaction from hearing that the operation of the Contract proceeds regularly and properly; and that having waited on Major Macintosh and Lieutenant Campbell you have received attention from them. I am convinced that you will always meet with every support from the Officers of this Department and I trust that the terms of the contract will always be faithfully and efficiently fulfilled by you, when the business will be carried on to the satisfaction of all parties, and you will continue to possess my confidence.

(Signed) W. Morrison
Comy Genl.

Fort St. George }
25th April 1814.

4th / Signed / L.P.

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Venkata Narayana Naidoo

Your letters of the 5th of December and 23rd of February 1823 have been received.

2. I am glad to find that you have determined on proceeding to Secunderabad for the purpose of assuming the management of your contract, for the supply of hired draft and Carriage Bullocks with the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, and I have sent directions to Captain Grant, to afford you his support and assistance in effecting a settlement of your accounts with your servant Petiah, after which I have no objection to your discharging him, considering that you are at liberty to dispense with the services of any person employed by you, as you may think proper.

3. As it is of the greatest consequence however that the people who may represent you during your absence should be in every respect unobjectionable, I must (as I intimated to you when you wrote on me) reserve to myself the right of approving of any one whom you may appoint to act as your Agent, in the event of your leaving the Force, and no such appointment must therefore be made without my concurrence which you will apply for when required through the Senior Officer of the Commissariat with the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force.

Signed W. Morrison.
Comy Genl.

Madras

22 March 1823.

by / signed / CDR

27th April 1814

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To

The Deputy Assistant Commissary General
Northern Division
Maulipatam.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 8th & 9th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the Public Carriage as required for the Head Quarters of the 1st Bth Pioneers has been provided by Venkatarasimma Naidoo Zemindar of Mulloore as per Certificates granted to him to that effect.

I take this opportunity of Publicly reporting that the Carriage and Bullocks supplied by this Contractor have always been of the best quality and what I have particularly to commend, is the well organized system of internal arrangement which prevails among his Maistrees and Subordinate drivers highly conducive to efficient operation and he invariably keeps up a supply of spare Carriage to be ready to replace instantly all casualties.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obed^t Serv^t

Signed W^m Murray Capt^l

Command^g 1st B. P^{rs}

Camp Tanavally }

18 November 1828 }

True Copy

Signed W^m Murray Capt^l
Comm^d Pioneers.

Dec 14 03/81
D. J. J. J.

22nd March 1823

My dear Sir,

I have experienced such high satisfaction from the manner in which your servants have made good the supply of Public Carriage in this Division since I held the Commisariat Charge that it is but justice to you to inform you of it. - I shall be happy to hear from you at Nagpore, where I am going and should it be in my power, to attend to any recommendations you may make for servants in the above Departments.

I am
My dear Sir
Yours faithfully
Signed / Douglas

Madhapatnam }
14 May 1829 }

Received
Rs 1403/81-

18th Nov 1828

Rajah B. Vucata Narsimma Naidoo
Rch^l.

My dear Sir,

I have great satisfaction in complying with your request, and beg to convey to you my opinion that the manner in which the supply of Public Carriage in this Division has been conducted by you is highly creditable, and I shall at all times have much pleasure in giving this testimony in your favor.

I regret that the very great heat of the weather at this season of the year will oblige me to travel as quick as possible, or I should have been much gratified by remaining a short time at your place of Residence.

I am
Yours faithfully
Signed . . . Douglas

Alapulapatam }
18 May 1829.

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14th May 1829
Received from Mr. L. H. H. H.
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18 June 1881
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To

Rajah Bommadavara Nangannah Naidoo
Rahador Zemindar of Goodoor Purannah & Tulloor

My dear Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30 April 1843 together with its enclosure for my father which I have forwarded by the Overland Mail and I am quite sure he will be highly pleased to hear such good news of your family circumstances. Your grand father's name is quite fresh in my father's mind for I have often heard him speak of him in the handsomest manner as having been a very excellent public servant. In his letters to me he often mentions your grand father's name. I doubt not my father will send you an early reply to your letter to this address. I hope you are in the enjoyment of excellent health and that you are maintaining the high respectability of your family in the same manner as your grand father did in his life time. I am happy to tell you I am quite well. Your Agent here has waited upon me frequently since my arrival and I have shown him all the kindness in my power. I beg to bring under your favorable notice the bearer of this Cooroo Chelmarah who accompanied my Regt to Secunderabad and you will befriend and protect him on all occasions. Cooroo Chelmarah proved himself a very active and useful man on the march of my Regt to this station and rendered us much assistance and the Officers of my Regt were much pleased with his conduct.

I remain

Yours very faithfully

Sped. J. Goldsmithy Capt
1st Regt. N. I.

Secunderabad }
25 June 1843.

Achmutt House
 Near Ponte frah Nov 1st 1843.
 To
 Priah Nagamah Nido Bahader
 of the former Godour Purannah
 of Zillah of Manipalaw
 East Indies.

Sir,

I am to offer you my most grateful thanks for your
 kind letter of 30 April 1843 bringing to my memory your
 Grand father Nagamah my dear Master from 1798 to 1805
 in my Department of Draft and Carriage Bullocks, and
 principal provider of Bullocks for the Public Service, as
 always proving himself a zealous good servant under
 me in my Department where Fortune I made, but not my
 own, however I can always speak in the highest terms
 of your Grand Father Nagamah Bahader and if you
 follow his example you will prosper and terminate your
 life happily and respectably which is my prayer and
 best wishes. I rejoice you approve of my son Captain

Goldsworthy

I am

ever your friend

Signed / J^l Goldsworthy

over
 You are welcome to hear my opinion of the conduct
 of your Grand father from which I hope you will
 derive benefit.

A true copy taken from the Original herewith forwarded.

Signed / Priah Nibbe Goldsworthy

Captain

1st Regiment N.I.

Secunderabad
 26 Decr 1843.

20 June 1843

Decr 14 1843
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To
Rajah Nafanah Nido Bahader
of the Zemindar Go down Pargannah
of Jellah of Malakpattan

Dear Sir

I have great pleasure in forwarding to you the
enclosed letter from my father in reply to the one you wrote
to him on the 30 April 1843. I received the letter yesterday.
Thinking you might experience some difficulty in making
out my father's hand writing I considered it a good plan
to copy it myself and annex it. From my father's letter to you
you will see the very high opinion he entertains for
your friend father and how glad my father was to receive
your letter which reached him safe. With my best
wishes for your long life & happiness.

I remain

Your friend

Signed / J. H. Goldworthy Capt
1st R. A. I.

Secunderabad. Dec: 8. 1843.

Rajah P. Nangannah Naidoo
Bahadar Zemindar

I have received your several letters, and although I would gladly aid you in any way, because I believe you to have the good of the Government at heart, still it would not be becoming in me to interfere with the arrangements of the Nizam's Minister or the Commisariat Officers at this place. I shall always be ready to bear testimony to the zeal and usefulness of your establishments, and when I can with propriety do you any good I shall gladly do it.

J. D. Andrey Major
Comd 1st Reg M.L.

Dec 10/43
P. N. Naidoo

To His Highness the Rajah Rammadavarah Nafunah
 Naidoo Bahadur Zemindar of Woolloor Summut and
 Vassintaradee Mootah in the Zillah of Malaculputam.

We the undersigned Officers of Her Britannic Majesty's
 "Royal Regiment" are desirous of offering our sincere thanks to His
 Highness the Rajah Rammadavarah Nafunah Naidoo Bahadur for
 the kind and hospitable manner in which we were entertained by
 His Highness at Malaculputam on the night of the 18th of December
 1857, and in acknowledging the obligation conferred upon us we
 cannot refrain from expressing our admiration at the courtesy of
 manner and generosity of disposition that prompted the Rajah
 to bestow his friendship and liberality on Her Majesty's Officers
 on their arrival in India.

It is our fervent wish that we may always continue on
 the same amicable footing and that the Rajah may long live
 to enjoy the benefits derived from those qualities of which his
 past acts and nobleness of character have proved him so worthy
 a passport.

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| Signed J. B. Montgomery | Signed Duncan Brodie Lt. | Signed John Stanfield Major |
| Colonel Army Lt. | (do) James Craigh Lt. | (do) John R. Wheeler Lt. |
| "Royal Regt." | (do) Chas B. Starr Lt. | (do) Geo. H. J. Wynne |
| (do) C. D. Plunkett Colonel | (do) A. J. Badgley Major | (do) Geo. Deane Lt. |
| (do) A. D. Neville Major | (do) G. A. Logan Major | (do) J. M. Lee J. Major |
| (do) L. A. Chazotte Captain | (do) W. J. Chanly Major | (do) J. H. R. Dancy Major |
| (do) L. A. Smith Capt | (do) Thos Mills Major | (do) J. H. R. Dancy Major |
| (do) J. G. Gregory Capt | (do) Alf. Bloomfield Major | (do) E. H. Kearne M.D. |
| (do) A. Hope Capt | (do) R. P. Smyth M.D. | |
| (do) W. Seapain Lieut | | |
| (do) Thos. V. Miles Lt. | | |

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My dear Rajah,

You have asked me for a testimonial as to the manner you conducted your Contract during the time I had Commisariat at Malacatipatan.

I have much pleasure in testifying to the very cordial & invaluable aid you afforded me in supplying such heavy requisitions for carts & cattle in very critical times during the mutinies when troops & advanced & Commisariat stores were urgently required to be posted up country, your influence in the district is very great & I am convinced that excepting yourself no other man could have been so careful & as you must remember I at the same time brought you to the favorable notice of the Commisary General which will be seen in the records of the Office.

Believe me
Yours truly
[Signed] Cab

Subbulpore }
18th Nov. 1858.

3rd Madras Europeans
S A C General

14 March 1859

18th Jan 1858
Decr 1857

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14th March 1859

Certified that I find the Govt. Bullock Francis
between Masulipata & Hyderabad in the best
Efficient state, & it does credit to the Contractor
Rajah Naganah.

/signed/ David Low
Resident

Agd. Res.
14 March 1859

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This is to certify that the Agent to
Naganaik Naidoo Bahadur Zemindar
gave great satisfaction to me whilst
employed with the Bullocks attached to
the Ordnance Department Saur 7th
Divⁿ during the year 1858 and part of 1859.

Signed J L Barrow Major
Comd^g of Ordn.
S^t. 7th Divⁿ

Saur }
April 7th/59 }

Public Department

Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Read the following letter from Colonel G. Balfour Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines to the Secretary to Government Military Department Fort Saint George dated 1st June 1859 N^o 64.

Subject Department

1. The Government were placed in Minutes of Consultation N^o 2027 dated 20 June 1859 to authorize the issue of 20 Percussion Muskets on payment, for the use of Nagunah Bahadur, Zemindar of Vallur, in the Madhavapatam District and as the Rajah is a descendant of the Bullack Contractor Nagunah who in the Mysore War and in the first Allahhatta War rendered great good service to Government, and the Rajah himself having continued to render useful services especially of late, in supplying cattle for the Public service, Government to comply with the request he has made to send, rifles from the Arsenal, on payment 10 Muskets complete with good Percussion Caps to be placed there expended.

2. The Zemindar is a careful, prudent man engaged in trade has his Zemindari in good order, and is from subjects attached to Government. He is also a sportsman.

Referred to the Public Department
Signed R. Hamilton Principal Colonial
acting Deputy Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George
4 June 1859

Order thereon 7 June 1859 N^o 882
do recommended the Government authorized the Zemindar of Vallur being supplied from the Arsenal on payment with ten Muskets and 7000 Percussion Caps (one abstract) Sd/ J. P. Croft
Chief Secretary

The Inspector General of Ordnance
and Magazines
Military Auditor General
June 1859
Signed G. J. Jackson Capt
Sd to the Secy G. Ford & May

Do 14023/59
Do 1044/59

7th June 1859

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Military Department
Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following letter

From the Comd'g General Madras, 4 June 1859
No 6 to the Secretary to Government Military De-
pt. South Fort St. George.

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Another is a very and influential Zemindar, Raja
Bomadaraya Gannah Naidoo Bahader of Tulloor in the
Northern Division who himself at present, and whose An-
cesters formerly, since the year 1810, have been the principal
contractors for the supply of Cattle for the Army, did very
good services, aiding to Equip Major General Whitlock's
Division by furnishing large number of Cattle, at a time
when the Government the usual carriers of Grain with
Indian Artillery held back from interested motives.

3. Without entering into details of the various supplies
it will be enough to say that through the united efforts
of these two native Gentlemen, and from the influence
they possessed the Sauror Field Division was provided
with every requisite in the way of transport and provisions
so as to leave nothing to desire.

4. I have the honor therefore to request you will be
good enough to bring to the notice of the Honorable the
Governor in Council the valuable services rendered
by these native Gentlemen at a most critical time, and
I venture to hope that some mark of favor on the part
of Government may be bestowed on them.

Encl 1403/59
Encl 1404/59

4 June 1859

7. The original letter from Lieutenant Barrow containing particulars, with Major General Whitlocks endorsement thereon accompanied this for ready reference, if necessary.

Order N^o 2269, 24 June 1879.

The Governor in Council is of opinion that the services referred to in the foregoing letter should be suitably acknowledged with the expressed approbation of Government.

2. With this view His Honor in Council would suggest that Major General Whitlock be requested to state what he thinks would be most acceptable to the parties themselves.

3. Probably the present of a pair of handsome shawls, together with a letter of thanks or a Gold Bangle with an Inscription from the Major General would be appropriate and suitable.

5. His Excellency the Commander in Chief will communicate with Major General Whitlock and inform the Government of that Officers views on the above points.

True Extracts

(Signed)

Major

Asst. Commissary General
Saper Field Division.

Madras 20 June 1859.

My dear Sir,

I take advantage of the return of your
Vakil to send you a few lines to say that I
have brought to the notice of the Government
the great assistance which you have rendered
in the supply of cattle &c. for the transport of
stores &c. during the late troublous times
and I have no doubt these services will be
highly appreciated. The result of my report to
Govt. will be made known to you as soon
as I receive it.

Believe me to be

Yrs faithfully

(Signed) A. M. Cally Col

Com General

To Raja Bomadevara Tagana
Maidoo Bahadur
Jemindar of Nulloor

Recd 1403/61

21 June 1859

Commissary General's Office

Madras August 10. 1859.

To M. R. R.

Rajah Bomadavah Naganah Naidoo
Jemindar of Velloor
Maulipatam

Sir, I am desired by the Commissary Genl. to inform you that arrangements have been entered into for one year by Government with a Mr. Watson for the conveyance of all stores from the landing places of the Godavery to Hampton Auger &c. & that therefore your bandies will not be required on those routes, but the stores for Secunderabad & elsewhere will still be entrusted to your care.

I am particularly instructed not to allow the present opportunity to pass without expressing in the strongest terms the very high price which the Commissary General entertains of the important services rendered on all occasions (except ordinary) by yourself, your late father & grand father & that the Commissary General has brought the same to the most favorable notice of Government. Your claim for compensation on account of losses incurred in the transmission of stores from Secunderabad to Nagpore has been forwarded to Government with the recommendation

Recd
14/10/59

Recommendation of the Com^d General. As soon as an
answer is received it will be communicated to you.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obed^t Serv^t

/Signed/ John Hill. Lieut Col

D. C. General

By /Signed/
B. D. L.

N^o 992

M. R. P.

To
Rajiv Ponnadavara Naganah Naidoo.
Bahadur Temindar Gaurao
Walloor

Sir,

I am desired by the Commissary General to apprise you, that His Excellency the Governor in Council at the recommendation of the Adjutant General the Commissary General and Major General Sir G. C. Whitlock Commanding Saugor Field Division has highly approved and been pleased with your valuable services rendered in a time of great public emergency to the Madras Field Division serving in the Saugor and Narbuddah Territories during the campaigns of 1857, 1858 and 1859. It is contemplated by His Excellency to present you shortly with a gold "Armband" as a special mark of your faithful services, which will also be brought to the notice of the Government of India.

I am Sir

Your Obedient Servant
Signed/ C. H. Cazaleh Captain
in charge Comd. Dept.

Commissariat Office ID
Manipulation 23 Sept 1859

Signed/ P. Krishnamah

10 Aug 1859

Received
24 Oct 1859

N^o 3136.

Commissary General's Office
Madras 21st October 1859.

To
Rajah Bomadavara Naganah Naidoo Bahadoor
Tulloor Maanipattam

Sir,

I have the honor by desire of the Commissary General to acknowledge the receipt of your letter and am directed to assure you that you are still the only Contractor employed in this Department in the Northern Division.

The contract for the transport of stores from the Godavery was placed by Government under the Engineer Department, but when the duty of transporting these stores devolves on the Commissariat, public competition will be invited.

The Commissary General has not sanctioned the employment of the Private Transit except when Articles are required at Secunderabad on emergency, and he still considers you to be the Contractor for the transport of all stores from Maanipattam.

I am further desired by the Commissary General to ask if in the event of it being decided to keep up Carts for the conveyance of stores at the different stations of the Army, you would be inclined to take a contract for the same, and at what rate also whether you think you could make any arrangement for providing the families of Sepoys with Carriage when Native Regiments are marching from one station to another.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedient Servant
Signed/ John Hill Colonel
Deputy Comm'y General

23rd Oct 1859

Received
No 1403/59

Masulipatam 24 Oct. 1859.

Mr Knox presents his compts to the
Velloor Rajah & has much pleasure in
informing him that H. E. The Governor
has written to him expressing his grati-
fication at hearing that the Rajah was
going to supply Carriages to the 29th
Regt and also a hope that the Rajah
w^d assist in putting a stop to the
practice of forcing ryots to supply
bandies against their will which
causes much distress & trouble to
poor people.

26 Oct 1859

21 Oct 1859

21 Oct 1859

Translation of a Telugoo letter.

From W Knox Esq^{re}

To Rajah Pommathur Nagunah Naidoo Bahadur
Zemindar.

Summut Velloot.

Sir,

The Commanding Officer of the 29th Regiment Colonel
Hughes has intimated to me this his letter of the 28th Ultimo that as
soon as the Regiment arrived you spared no opportunity or effort to
supply good Bullocks carts &c in two or three hours, some times
earlier than that; he has also testified as to your diligence and
activity in making the requisite supplies which were liberal and
good, but it appears that the charges were somewhat high than
that made by Appawood Moodelliar, but however the Commanding
Officer has highly been fully satisfied with you. I communicate
this for your information.

W. K.

12th December 1859.

Pommathur

Dec 14/03/61

21st Dec 1859

Rajah Bomadeva Naganah Naidie Bahadur being
 anxious that the Officers of the station should certify to
 the honor lately conferred upon him. We the undersigned
 are happy to testify to having witnessed on the 3^d of Nov^r.
 1860, the presentation to him of a gold bracelet and
 pair of shawls by G. Thornhill Esq^r Collector &
 Magistrate of Masulipatam, on the part of the
 Government - and that on the 5th November, the Rajah
 hospitably entertained the community at large,
 entertaining them with Elephant dancing, Masques,
 and fireworks -

Masulipatam
 28th November 1860.

Signed G. Allan Lt. Colonel
 Com^d at Masulipatam

Signed A. A. Smith M. D.
 Surgeon Major
 12th Regt. N. I.

Signed J. R. Church Lt.
 12th Regt. N. I.
 12th Regt. N. I.
 12th Regt. N. I.

Signed J. Bayly Capt.
 12th Regt. N. I.

(do) William A. Ford Esq.
 17th Regt. N. I.

Signed E. Dunbar Lt. Captain
 12th Regt. N. I.

(do) W. Sturtwell Major
 Telugu Batta

Signed G. M. Williams Esq.
 44th Regiment N. I.

Dec 10/60
 Dec 14/60

the Pargana to him.
Further forward a
number of testimonials
(copies) to the great services
performed by his family
in supplying the Govt. field
forces with carriage &c. and
while acknowledging the honor
already bestowed upon him
self, compares them with
greater rewards bestowed
upon other natives for simi-
lar services, and finally
requests that the Pargana
of Godoor may be restored
and such additional
Jalgi given as Govt.
may approve. Both
to be held as hereditary.

Copy in a Letter to England
of 12th August 1799

5-5-94
14-4-95
No 177

C. of June 1812 June

Recd 1861 Sept 11
No 1403

From Rajah. D. Na
& gummah Naidu
Bahadur Zemindar,
residing at Madras

Dated 22nd April
Recd 13th June 1861
No 177

After detailing the services
of his grandfather, father
and himself since 1798, and the cir-
cumstances which induced the for-
mer to purchase the Godoor
Pargana from Govt, stating
the circumstances which
led to its sale in 1857, pur-
chase by Govt for Rs 5000.
shows that such sale was
on many accounts an
unjust one: that in spite
of improved irrigation,
the Govt have not bene-
fited by its possession, and
that it is to the advantage
to all parties to restore

Memo on Petition 1333 of 1861

This is a petition from Rajanna Naidu.
Rajah. Zamindar of Kulloor, in the Dis-
trict of Kistiah.

That part of it which relates to the
considered in the Revenue Dept. relates
to the sale of the Godoor Pargana, for-
merly the property of this Zamindar
but which came into the possession of
Govt for arrears of Revenue in 1857.

The assertions of the Zamindar re-
garding this transaction are, shortly,
the following effect.

(1) The Godoor Pargana, situated close
to the town of Masulipatam, was, he
states, purchased by his grandfather
to enable him to commence a large tract
of pasture land where he might graze
the numerous bullocks kept by him
for the purpose of fulfilling his contracts
with Govt, whether in time of war or
peace, for the supply of cattle, carts &c.
The Peshkash of the Pargana was
annually 25,000 Rupees. Its possession,
from the poverty of the soil, was not
calculated to ~~benefit~~ afford, it is
alleged, any tangible benefit or ad-
vantage. The Zamindar however had
no wish, according to his own account
to part with it and its lapse to Govt
occurred in following manner

The Daminidari's village of Walloor, from which he takes his title, is situated in another part of the Kistnah District near the River. When Govt directed the excavation of a certain channel from the Kistnah to irrigate a portion of the District, it became necessary, he states, to run a branch channel through this village of Walloor, in order to reach certain Govt lands, between which and the Kistnah, his Daminidary lands were interposed. The Collector, he affirms, promised him at the time, that other lands or compensation sh^d be granted in lieu of those portions of his village which it was found necessary ^{to take up} for this purpose, but this promise was never fulfilled; and moreover, though "at the instigation of the Collector" he was obliged to bear a certain portion of the expense of excavation, in order that the water might be available also for the lands in his own village, he had never been able to obtain that Officer's assistance in preventing the interference of other villagers who endeavoured to stop the flow of the water on to his lands.

In 1851 when the Commissioners,

Mr W. Elliot visited Havulipatam the Daminidar brought this unresolved grievance to his notice, and intimated that he had withheld payment of a portion of his kist, amounting to Rs. 19406-0-0, in consequence of the failure of the Collector to assign any compensation, requesting the Commissioners at the same time to decide what sum he might deduct from his kist on account of the lands so taken up. The Commissioners, however, according to his account, took no notice of the complaint, and having "unjustly confiscated" the Durgana, sold it at auction to great disadvantage.

The Daminidar's first complaint is, therefore, that his pargana was sold quite against his own wish, merely on account of an arrear which he had ample funds to meet, but which he refused to pay till justice was done him in another matter.

(2) He complains that while the Pargana consisted of several subdivisions, bearing an aggregate peshkash of Rs. 26,600-0-0, ~~the whole of the peshkash was paid~~ of which a portion had been paid; and

while equity required that only such portion of the estate as bore a ~~value~~ value corresponding to the arrears should be sold, the whole Pargana was put up to auction.

(3) That the sale instead of being conducted as usual in such cases at the higher station, viz. Muzaffarpur; took place at Illore, at very short notice, thus affording no opportunity for influential zamindars and others to come forward and compete for the property.

(4) That in consequence the estate only fetched the unprecedented "and unjustifiable" small sum of Rs. 5000 - which being deducted from the amount of arrears, Rs. 14,406 still due; and that this sum was only remitted on the condition that he gave up his claims for sums still due to him by the ryots amounting to Rs. 60000. for which purpose he was sent for to Begowah and "convinced" to sign a Karamana prepared by the Collector under instructions from the Commissioner.

Such is the Zamindar's story.

The facts of the case as apparent from the records appear to be as follows.

Tellurist
Commissioner
27 Oct 1857
No. 91.

At the close of Feb 1856 the proprietor of Godoor was in arrears and the payment of his peshkash to the amount of Rs. 19,197-0-0. Matters had proceeded so far, that the sale of the estate on account of these arrears was fixed for the 14 August 1857. At that time the balance due was Rs. 19,406-0-0.

Collector's letter
15 August 1857
No 55.

On the day fixed for the sale the Zamindar's wakil presented a petition offering to deliver up the Estate at once to Govt on being relieved from the balance of peshkash outstanding against him. This proposal was made, the Collector observed, to avoid the publicity of a sale. The Commissioner agreed with the Collector that it would be more for the interest of Govt to accept the offer than to proceed with the sale: and accordingly recommended this course for the approval of Govt.

In his letter to Govt Mr Elliot stated that "the permanent demand on Godoor is Rs. 20,000, which is known to be equal to the full value."

"which the Zamindar had long been
" desirous of getting rid of it, and
" allowed it to fall into arrears
" in 1260 Fakh with that view." He
then proceeded to explain why he con-
sidered the offer of the Zamindar
to give up the pargana, w^h he advo-
cated to all parties.

The Govt however did not ac-
cept to auction this arrangement.
They considered it doubtful whe-
ther the transfer of the Estate
of Govt in acquittance of the ar-
rears of Peohkash, w^h operate in
bar of the claims of private credi-
tors; and with a view of escaping
the chance of being involved in
tedious and embarrassing litiga-
tion; they considered that the safer
course was to abide strictly by
the mode of recovering arrears
prescribed by the Regulations i.e.
to bring the Estate to sale, and
purchase it on account of Govt
if the amount, but ~~was~~ not in
excess of the balance. They
devised, at the same time that
it sh^d be explained to the Zamindar
why this course was followed,

S. J. C.
20 Dec. 1851.
No. 1271.

and that they w^h be prepared to ac-
count him of any balance not li-
quidated by the sale, on his giving up
his demand on his sub-tenant,
thus placing him precisely in the
position which he w^h have occupied
had he parted with his Estate by
cession.

The sale accordingly took
place on the 10 Feb^y 1852, when
the Estate was purchased on
account of Govt for Rs. 5000.
The ex-proprietor having executed
the necessary engagement for
the transfer of Govt of all claims
against the estate, the Govt con-
firmed the purchase, and
granted authority for writing
off the balance of Rs. 14,442-0-0.

S. J. C.
22 June 1852
No. 573.

The foregoing statement dis-
poses of so much of the first com-
plaint as refers to the sale of the
pargana against the wish of the
Zamindar, and indeed, presumably
of the whole of that complaint,
because there is no allusion in the
Commissioner's letter to any com-
plaint which the Zamindar had
made and the offer on his part

to give up the estate, is not consistent with the story about the Kullor canal which indeed bears abundantly on the face of it: for if the pargana had been profitable, no man in his senses w^d have let it go, in a job, because justice had not been done him in another matter. Such a supposition is contrary to common sense. There can be no doubt that the Zamindar had ample funds to meet the payment, had he chosen, and so far his statement is correct & no further. The fact was, as the Commissioner says, that the estate was unprofitable, and no wonder when the peashank equalled the vicar sick.

It may be asked also, why if the Zamindar's story is true, has he made no complaint till now, ten years after the transaction complained of?

His sudden anxiety to recover possession of the pargana may perhaps be attributed to the improving prospects ^{in the village} arising from the Kistnah irrigation channels, to which he alludes in para 8 of his Petition.

With regard to the remaining complaints it is sufficient to remark regarding the 2nd that no regular sub-division of the pargana had ever been carried into effect (see correspondence ^{alluded} ~~referred~~ to in S.H.C. 23 August 1853. No. 963) but even if there had, the question w^d not have arisen in a case like this where the sale was a mere form, the proprietor having already offered to give it up.

Commissioner
6502 19 July/53
No. 93. p. 6.

With reference to the third complaint it appears that the advertisement announcing that the Estate would be sold at Ellore on 10 Feb^y, was published on 5th January 1852. Ellore was the second town in the District and there was nothing contrary to the Rules in holding an auction away from the Agency station. The absence of the "influential Zamindars" probably resulted from other reasons than those stated.

see Mr. Justice
Trotter's answer
referred to in
letter of 7 July
1853. No. 48.
to the Commissioner
N.C.

The fourth complaint hardly requires notice. The low sum which the Estate brought in at the sale

had reference, probably, to the unprofitable nature of the Pargana, and in comparison with the amount obtained at that time for other and more valuable estates, was nothing extraordinary. The Pargana or agreement giving up all claims on the ryots was the usual form observed in such cases: it had nothing uncommon about it: the 60,000 Rupees worth of claims on the ryots were not worth much probably. The corruption used in making the Zamindar sign this document may be imagined after what has gone before. It is a bold figure of speech, and nothing more.

Whether the Zamindar's statement in paras 8 & 9 of his Petition that the Pargana does not produce so much as it did when he was its proprietor, is true, can only be determined by a reference to the collector.

As far as right is concerned there does not appear any reason for the restoration of the Goddona Pargana to the Zamindar. Indeed at the conclusion of his Petition

he sets his claim to it more as a reward for his services than on any other ground.

What those services are, will better be considered in the Military Department. The Zamindar also includes (Para 11) an acknowledgment of them by the Government at the close of last year.

C. E. L.
17 June

10/ The Zamindar's services consisted in supplying cattle, provisions &c to Genl. Whitlock's field force in 1857-58 & 59. The services were very important and here acknowledged by Genl. Whitlock & for in hand some tokens - a gold bracelet & 2 Cashmere shawls here also presented to the Zamindar by Govt. The packet marked contained the chief papers on the subject.

J. B. P.

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