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*Proceedings of the Madras Government. Public Works Department,
1st March 1873.*

No. 21. Read the following letter from the District Engineer in charge, Kistna, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Masulipatam, 14th December 1872, No. 3:—

As requested in Memorandum No. 124 of 4th instant, I have the honour to submit the annexed correspondence regarding the dismissal of Local Fund Maistry M. Veeraragavaloo, and to report that Supervisor Sembulingam is the officer in charge of the range in which the Local Fund Maistry was employed.

Captain Smalley's letter of 22nd February 1872, with four enclosures, marked A, B, C, and D.

Copy of Colonel Meberley's letter, No. 32, of 5th March 1872.

Letter No. 911 of 11th March 1872, from the Acting Collector, Kistna.

Telugu letter (with English translation), dated 22nd April 1871, addressed to the Range Officer by Local Fund Maistry M. Veeraragavaloo.

One Telugu letter, No. 81, dated 28th December 1871.

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 1st March 1873, No. 663.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 4.

THE plea on which the interference of Government is called for by M. Veeraragavaloo on account of his dismissal by the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, with concurrence of the President of the Local Fund Board of the Kistna District, from the post of Local Fund Maistry, is that he has been persecuted by the Public Works subordinates on account of his having, in a petition of 22nd April 1871, brought to notice certain irregularities of the Local Fund Overseer, whose united influence and false testimony led to the dismissal aforesaid, on his bringing to notice, in January 1872, a demand made on him by Range Accountant Narasimulu for a bribe of Rupees 42.

2. Now the petition of 22nd April 1871 is not a statement volunteered by the Maistry, but was put forward by him in reply to the Range Officer's order calling on him to account for the Overseer's bad report of him. It contains two short paragraphs of general denial of charges that appear to have been made against him; eleven other paragraphs being taken up with countercharges against the Overseer. The Range Officer having apparently decided against him, and having subsequently fined him three several times, he seems to have appealed to the Superintending Engineer on the 28th December 1871, and followed up that appeal by a letter, No. 84, of 3rd January 1872, bringing the charges against the Range Accountant and 2nd Accountant, on which he has been dismissed.

3. The latter charges have nothing whatever to do with the former, and as they were only made two years after the date of the alleged demand for a bribe, the petitioner has no grounds for saying that he brought them forward "because he knew that certain men were dismissed for not reporting the irregular conduct of their superiors," and demanding the protection of Government in consequence.

4. His Excellency the Governor in Council accordingly declines to interfere with the decision of the President of the Local Fund Board and Superintending Engineer, but, in consideration of former good service, will recommend that a

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further trial be given to the petitioner in a similar capacity to that in which he has lately been employed, when an opportunity for providing for him may occur.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Kistna.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Financial Department.

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2143
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Veto

His Lordship the Right
Honorable the Governor in
Council Fort Saint George.

The humble petition of Mr. Veeraragavooloo
late Local Fund Maistry 5th or Nandegama
Range Kistna District

With greatest submission and due respect I respectfully
beg leave to lay my Grievances Caused by Colonel Moberly for
such Orders as your Lordship in Council may deem fit to pass—

2 I beg to state that I was suddenly dismissed from Government
employment by the late Superintending Engineer Col. Moberly, who
said in his Memo No 1463 dated 14th March 1872 which dismisses me,
that I presented a false charge against the Rang accountants, so
my great misfortune he did not hold any investigation himself
nor got the matter investigated by a Magistrate, though there was
evidence enough both documentary & oral that I was perfectly
right in making the accusation bona fide—

3 Before proceeding further, I beg to state that I was a Government
Servant of about 20 Years standing and always discharged my
duties to the utmost satisfaction of my employers (copies of the
testimonials given in proof of which by them, I humbly beg to enclose
herein for your Lordship in Councils kind perusal) and the constant
promotions I had in the D.P. 14, are a proof of my good & approved service
during the period of about 20 years; Several of the Characters I obtained
from certain Officers in the D.P. 14, in the Godavari District, I unfortunately
lost in the Cyclone of 1864. The statements in the enclosed will show
my services in detail.

4 I beg to state that, having heard certain cases in which Subordinates were dismissed for their having concealed the irregular conduct of their Superiors, sent a petition No 3 dated 22^d April 1871 to the 5th Range Officer informing him of certain irregularities on the part of the then Social Fund Overseers which petition the Range Officer has not brought into any consideration. A copy of the said petition I beg to enclose her in for your Lordship in Councils perusal. From the perusal of the contents of which I hope your Lordship in Councils can see that it is a matter which ought to be thoroughly investigated either departmentally or before a Magistrate, the latter by preference; but no investigation was made at all by the Range Officer, neither referred to the Magistrate.

5 I beg to state that on the 3^d January 1872, I sent another petition No 84 to the late Superintending Engineer informing him of certain irregularities of the Range accountants, enclosing certain copies of the documents written by the Range Head accountants own hand and sent to me to the effect that I should bring and give them to, Refus bribe, and subsequently when Col. Moberly called for the originals of the above documents, I submitted them to that gentleman which still remain in his office—

6 I subsequently heard that Col. Moberly referred the matter to Capt. Smally R.E. Executive Engineer, for investigation. The range office people and Social Fund Overseer being in harmony in embezzling a large amount of Government Money, the first escaped by saying to Capt. Smally that the documents in question was written to the address of the Overseer, who owed them some money on a debt, or some thing else, & not to me. The Overseer, for the reasons above shown, it appears has echoed to that effect during the investigation of the affair. Capt. Smally did not keep me in attendance during the investigation nor he asked me any thing on any occasion & neither I had any knowledge that the Superintending Engineer referred the matter to that gentleman. This gentleman

was holding any investigation, until after the receipt of the Communication to me by the Range Officer of the Memo No 1463 dated 14th March 1872; from the Superintending Engineer, which dismissed me. The documents alluded to in para 5 are as follows—

"Beraawadeh."

"19th September 1872."

"My dear Sir

x C. N. is meant for.....

Chilunkrutti Narayanasawmy, As C. N. is troubling me very much for them, and bring P. N. K. K. the Range 2^d Accountant.....

x If Narasimhoo is the Head Accountant of the Range,——

—Sawmy Nissogaroos with you"

Yours sincerely
/Signed/ J. Narasimhoo - *

"Beraawadeh"

"19th September 1872."

"My dear Bazaroo

உங்கள் கருத்து என்னைப்படி சூப்பர் இன்ஜினர் அவர்களுக்கு அனுப்பப்பட்டிருக்கிறது
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"Yours sincerely"

/Signed/ J. Narasimhoo - *

Translation of the above

My Dear Bazaroo

We have recommended to the Superintending Engineer for the leave you applied for. The sanction of which will come in 2 days.

It came to our notice that you were not doing as Pandeyagaru
(the Oversee) says and are doing many & ~~very~~ literally. Mad actions.
(which means doing some thing against to what was told) if you act in
this manner you will not be safe. certainly believe that you are sure
to be removed from your present station and posted to Juggiah Patak
instead of Boosanna (thru C. F. Maishy Subsequently deceased;) also
it came to the notice of our Range Officer that you were acting in bad
ways; when it happens for you to come here I shall tell you ~~everything~~
in detail; therefore you must do in whatever manner Pandeyagaru tells.

[Signed]

Yours sincerely
P. Naresimhoo.

7 The statements made by the Range Accountants & the Oversee
to Capt. Smally were very untrue, P. Natesaamy Bissu then in alluded
to, was one who was working under my immediate orders and not
under the Oversee and so I beg to conclude that it is more reasonable
to say that this English note in question was addressed to me
than to the Oversee.

8 I beg to inform your Lordship in Council that I do not really see
any reason why I should be dismissed from Government employment.
I only did what any right minded person would be expected to do,
As I knew that certain men were dismissed for not reporting the irregular
conduct of their Superiors, as I personally found some irregularities in
the conduct of Superiors (the Oversee & Range Officer people) and as the
Head accountant (Hainy) wrote to me with line over hand to the effect
that I should bring 12 Rs. bribe, I ventured to bring the irregular
conduct of these parties first to the notice of the Range Officer, & 2dly.
to that of the late Superintending Engineer, as which is your Lordship
in Council will evidently see no satisfactory investigation was made.
For my thus having faithfully discharged what I bona fide believed to be
my duty, do I deserve to be punished? and punished with dismissal?
in the administration of the British rule? No —

9 This Oversee on one occasion has collected a large amount of road metal
at the rate of 15 Pannas per Cubic yard & paid to Coolies accordingly, but changed
to Government a greater number of Cubic yards at the rate of 12 Pannas per Cubic yard
thereby embezzled about 80 Rs. I then reported the matter to the 5th Range Officer
who investigated the affair and ordered the Oversee to recover the difference
amount Rs 80, which the Oversee did accordingly in December or January 1872.
From this it is manifest that I was faithful servant and always true to
Government —

10 The Oversee wanted me to join him in embezzling money which altogether
neglected to do. The Oversee then told to the Range Head accountant of the fact
of my not consenting to what he (the Oversee) has said. The Head accountant
then wrote to me the Jelloogoo letter (above quoted, translation with its
underneath) bidding me to pursue the Overseers plan & threatening with
removal from my post in case of refusal, which I hope your Lordship in
Council will also draw from the tenor of the letter. If there was any wrong
in my part it was for him to report it to the Range Officer and get it
investigated, but the Range Head accountant has no business to write such
daring letters, unless he has a great influence with the Range Officer and was
himself of a wicked behaviour —

11 I beg to inform your Lordship in Council, that even when there is a
criminal guilt, there will be but limited punishment to the offence and in this
case there is no such guilt, but the punishment is without limitation as I cannot
else where get a situation unless your Lordship in Council be pleased to reduce
me after due enquiry & must otherwise be reduced to beggary if not favoured
with justice, the reason of my reporting against the Oversee & the Range Accountants
is simply to protect myself from being dismissed, for their having concealed
the irregularities of their Superiors —

12 I have no other support except my situation, which I unnecessarily lost
& am suffering much from want of means since 3 months.

13 I further beg to inform your Lordship in Council that Col. Moberly by
the District before I was fully relieved of my charge & so I had no opportunity
of Petitioning to that officer regarding my dismissal —

14 I Petitioned to R. Smith Esq. the Officiating Superintending Engineer,
who was pleased to write me with the following endorsement

Certificates of M. Venaragavoolo in the Godavari District

1. Munguntij Venaragavoolo was employed by me as a Writer for 18 Months, I have always found him an honest steady man, he leaves me as he wishes to go to Masulipatam,
 October 24th 1860 } /Signed/ S. B. Plummer
 Masulipatam } Assistant Quarter Master
2. This is to certify that the bearer of this M. Venaragavoolo has served under me as a Minor Superintendent for the space of 1 year and 2 months as well as performing the duties of an English Writer on the salary of Rs 20, twenty per mensem, he understands his duties with his character unexceptionable & his testimonials from many others bears the same, he leaves me now on the occasion of death of Mr. Hammond, Executive Engineer Godavari District transferring him on a higher salary over to Quarter Master G. H. Shortt in charge of the Cringa Canal -
 Camp Elamoor } /Signed/ J. H. D. Latimer
 31st January 1857 } Navigation Superintendent
3. The bearer M. Venaragavoolo, Channel Superintendent has been under me for the last 4 years during which time he gave me entire satisfaction, he is very zealous in discharging his duties & attention to all orders, I am certain he is capable of satisfying any Officer, he may be placed under, I give him this as an account of my leaving the Range in which he serves -
 Siddanthum } /Signed/ R. D. Davis
 5th February } Navigation Superintendent
4. This is to certify that Munguntij Venaragavoolo worked under me as Marummetti Superintendent in the Kacasaipoor Sub Range for the space of 4 years, he is a good English scholar & able to discharge the duties of a writer understands Persian and the ordinary duties and is very zealous in the receipt of Rs 25 per mensem, I always found him willing to work and honest, since the Marummetti Establishment has been done away with Capt. J. Greenaway was obliged to discontinue with his services, I can recommend him as Superintendent on any works & as he is a man with a large family it will be a great piece of charity conferred on him by him who will grant him employ -
 Poleto } /Signed/ R. Sherard
 5th July 1860 } Quarter Master
5. Venaragavoolo was under me as channel Supt and has given me great satisfaction I consider him a hard working intelligent and trustworthy man.
 Chettipet } /Signed/ G. H. Shortt
 August 17/61 } Quarter Master
 Krishna District
6. This is to certify that Channel Superintendent, Munguntij Venaragavoolo, was employed under me in the Permittal sub Range from August 1862 to March 1863 I have always found him willing and attentive to his duties & he is a Capital English writer during the period of his services under me, he has always given me every satisfaction, generally speaking he is a first rate working man -
 Ganapavaram } /Signed/ James R. Latimer
 30th March 1863 } Quarter Master
7. The bearer M. Venaragavoolo served under me for 3 months as acting Delta Soomed I found him very willing intelligent & attentive to his work, he possessed several characters signed by officers but these he has lost in the Cyclone with his other property, He speaks English and can write well & keep accounts, he also has some knowledge of Persian.

Petition of M. Venaragavoolo, late Local Fund Master in 5th or Kundigama Range Krishna District. Dated 18th October 1860

After a careful perusal of the records relative to his dismissal by the late Superintending Engineer on the authority of the President of the Local Fund Board, Masulipatam Circle, the undersigned declines to interfere in the matter.

Superintending Engineer's Office
 2nd Division
 Camp Elamoor
 20th August 1862

/Signed/ C. Smith
 Officially Sept 2nd 1862

15. I then petitioned to the President of the Local Fund Board K.D. to which he was pleased to give a verbal reply to effect that as the Superintending Engineer wished, he passed orders & that he does not know any thing more about it. The Postal receipt for my petition to the Local Fund Board, President, I beg to enclose herewith for your Lordship in Councils perusal.

16. I therefore humbly beg your Lordship will be pleased to have compassion on me, who was unnecessarily deprived of my position to bring the whole affair into your favourable consideration & finally to favour me with my vacation or declare me eligible for reemployment.

For which act of charity I, as in duty bound, shall ever pray -
 M. Venaragavoolo
 Late Local Fund Master

Masulipatam }
 31st October 1862 }

This is to certify that Mr. Venaragavoolo Nisro served under me as a Delta Goomastah & Acting Delta Goomastah at the same time, for a period of 8 months during which time he has given me every satisfaction, he is a good writer and a hard working man, & fit for promotion to an higher grade.

Chaturin } /Signed/ Minshumessu
14th March/66 } Taluk Avarur S.D.

9 This is to certify that Mr. Venaragavoolo was employed as Taluk Avarur S.D. in 2d or 3d Pancha Range 2d Sub Range for a period of 6 months during the absence of the Original Avarur, He gave great satisfaction & performed the work in the office & neatly & correctly & this is great to his credit, as the new Manual of Avarur was just introduced at this time viz. from 15th September/65 to 15th March/66. He now resumes his post as Delta Goomastah with a recommendation for promotion on first opportunity.

Harinchasoo } /Signed/ A. Smith L.R.C.
12th April/66 } Assistant Engineer

10 The bearer of this Mr. Venaragavoolo has served under me now off for 5 years during the last 5 years continuously as Delta Goomastah, He is always given satisfaction & does his work well, his immediate Superior Supervisor Mr. Dharlen spoke very well of him, & he will by continued perseverance & good conduct render himself worthy of further promotion.

Ponnasoo } /Signed/ A. Smith L.R.C.
13th September/69 } Asst Engineer

11 The bearer here of Mr. Venaragavoolo served under me as a Delta Goomastah for 5 years & during which time he has given me the utmost satisfaction, he can read and write English well & has some idea of masonry works, He is willing and attentive and I believe in his local fund Maistry which I think is not more than he deserves.

Kundoo } /Signed/ Dharlen
17th September/69 } Supervisor

12 This is to certify that Mr. Venaragavoolo Nisro has served under me for a period of 14 months as L.T. Maistry during the time he has carried on of his ability in the preparation of his accounts & in the superintendence of works, He travels very hardy when occasion occurs, in consequence of my going to the 1st Range K.D. delivering him the charge of mylararam, road, Kondapilly.

8th June/70 } /Signed/ P. Ramanarain
Taluk Avarur S.D.

13 Local Fund Maistry Mr. Venaragavoolo, is hereby directed to take charge of the late L.T. Avarur's office records & accounts & to act in his place till further orders, & to report at once to the undersigned any discrepancies or irregularities that may discover themselves.

Kondapilly } /Signed/ C. J. Davis
23/3/71 } Assistant Engineer

Statements Showing the services of Mr. Venaragavoolo late Local Fund Maistry in 5th Range Kishor District

Date	Occupation	Salary	Days		Remarks
			Genl	Spcl	
24 th October - 1866	Avarur S.D. in Godavari Dist	10	3	6	The documents from which it can be correctly ascertained what posts I held during these 3 years, having been lost in the cyclone of 1864 I omitted to make mention of them -
3 rd January - 1867	Minumattah Superintendent & Avarur	20	1	2	Resigned & went to Kunder An Avarur
5 th February - 1868	Chaurah Superintendent	20	1	4	Transferred to Narasapur Sub Div Range
5 th July - 1868	Minumattah Superintendent	25	1	4	Acted as Minumattah Superintendent
17 th August - 1861	Channel Superintendent	20	1	1	Do as Channel Superintendent
20 th March - 1863	Do. - - - Do.	20	1	8	Resigned & went on private business
14 th August - 1865	Kishor District	12	1	3	2 nd or 3 rd Pancha Range
14 th March - 1866	Delta Goomastah	13	1	8	Do - - - Do - - -
12 th April - 1866	Do. - - - Do.	12	1	5	Least small favoured with a testimonial
13 th September - 1869	Delta Goomastah	12	1	1	Do - - - Do - - -
17 th September - 1869	Local Fund Maistry	20	1	6	Resigned & went with a Do
14 th March - 1870	Local Fund Avarur	60	1	4	5 th or 6 th Pancha Range
	Do. Do. Maistry	20	1	8	Do. Promoted to act as Avarur
			20	2	Do. Dismissed on board for

Mr. Venaragavoolo
Late Local Fund Maistry

Nareshpalam
23rd October 1872

Translation of Tellogoo Petition No. 3 dated 22nd April Written
by late Local Fund Maistry Mr. Venkajavoloo, to the address of the
5th Range Officer —

To

The Officer incharge No. 5 or
Mundegama Range, N. D.

Sir,

In reply to your Order (which accompanied
L. F. Overseer's report to you) I beg to inform you —

1 That I was not doing against the Orders of the Overseer
and that I was reporting him constantly of the Progress of the works
and getting Orders from him —

2 That according to his Orders I got the work in the 11th & 12th
Miles done by Corlius. That his report against me that I gave the
work to Contractor is not at all true. If the Overseer can convince
you that his report on the matter is a true one, your honor may
punish me. But your honor may consider if I am such a man
as can dare to give a work on Contract without the Order of my
Superior to that effect —

3 That the Overseer has sent for his relative from Madras & made
him as a Contractor nominally, and embezzling money by charging the
materials (formerly collected on the road) as the Contractor has newly collected

4 That when I, as acting Local Fund Overseer, delivered
Overcharge to this Overseer, I prepared & presented a sketch to you,
showing in detail each sort of work done up to that time in each mile
of the Mylavaram District road, & I also presented accounts to show
what amount of each metal remain in each quarry; if you examine
what amount of each materials has subsequently been collected &
packed & comparing them with the accounts & sketch I hitherto presented
in your Office, it can then be found how far the expenditure by the
Overseer would be satisfactory. I asked the Overseer if I can now
to then examine the metal collected by Contractors & may report thereon.
The Overseer has written to me that we will himself see about it, &
that I have nothing to do with the Contractor. I beg to enclose h.

5 That after the Contractor was nominated, no satisfactory work was going on on the road. On inspection you can find it, and when Chamboor there was remaining a large amount of metal & gravel collected by the Revenue Department, and the Overseer has privately appointed Kommararapoo Subramanyam (a formerly dismissed Goomastah by you) on Rs. 10, & carting the same as newly collected by the Contractor & the Overseer is profiting by charging a fresh amount for collection, when I lately told to the Overseer, at Condapilly, that the metal & gravel in question was formerly collected by the Revenue Dept., he made angry on me.

6 That I was serving since 20 Years (12 Years in the Godavari District & 8 Years in Krishna District) giving satisfaction to my Superiors & obeyed them in every thing & obtained good testimonials and you can yourself see that I am not a man who wish to earn money by dishonest means in this way and walk off with it.

7 That I hitherto reported your honor in person that the Overseer are very desirous of getting me transferred to some other place that there may be no hindrance to his actions.

8 That if I was a disobedient subordinate, I would not have obtained the Certificates I now hold.

9 That the Overseer & some others are desirous of getting me transferred to some other place & I will show proofs when you come this side for inspection.

10 That he (the Overseer) first told me not to keep the quarry road books saying that the quarries were made over to Contractors & afterwards he told me to keep them, which I am subsequently keeping. The reason of my discontinuing to keep them, was because he then gave me orders to discontinue & not because I wished so. The quarry road books which I formerly kept, I delivered to him on his orders to do so.

11 That you are aware that you yourself got a certain amount recovered by the Overseer, in his accounts, on my reporting to you the irregularity on his part; you can therefore see whether I was a trustworthy servant or otherwise to the Government, you felt quite assured on my report that the Overseer was wrong in charging that amount, therefore ordered him to recover it, which he

So large an amount of money to the Government which was afterwards found to be a false entry) was right in reporting to you that I was not a trustworthy man.

12 That you will be good enough to inspect the works I got done, & punish me if there is any deceit therein.

13 That you will be pleased not to pass any Cheques to the Overseer until you will inspect his work on the road according to section & until he satisfies you with the work.

14 That after due inspection and enquiry of the circumstances I mention, you can find whether my report is true or not, & then you can punish the guilty party.

Chakravarthy
22nd April 1911

signed /
The Revenue Officer
Deobund Ministry

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No 3

District Engineer's Office
Camp, Massachusetts
14th December 1872.

Officials, whose conduct
he had every reason to
suspect.

submitting that
his service amounts
to about 20 years, and
the testimonials granted
to him by his superiors,
prays that on a full
consideration of the case
he may be restored or
that he may be declared
eligible to re-enter the
Govt Service.

[illegible]

on the ground that pete preferred a false charge against the Accountants of the Range Office; states that the charge preferred by him is a true one; but that the matter has not been properly investigated; that as pete has seen several officials having been removed from their places on the ground that they failed to bring to the notice of the higher authorities, the irregularities of their immediate superiors, he was induced to prefer the complaint against the Range Officials

N. 11: 683 (P.W.D.)
Government of Madras
Public Works DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. 2143 of 1872
From M. Veeraragavooloo
Occupation, late Local Fund
Mistry 5th Range
Village.
Talook.
District, Krishna
Dated 3rd October
Received 4th November 1872
Enclosures 2.
Abstract.

Bringing to notice that pete has been dismissed from his post by the Superintending Engineer, Col. Moberley, with orders on

No 3

District Engineer's Office
Cramp, Madras
14th December 1872.

From,

R. Smith Esquire
District Engineer,
in charge Krishna.

To,

Col. G. W. Walker R.E.,
Secretary to Government,
D. O. W.,
Madras.

Enclosures
Return is requested.

Sir,

As requested in Memorandum No. 124 of 4th Instant, I have the honor to submit the annexed correspondence, regarding the dismissal of Local Fund Mistry M. Veeraragavooloo, and to report that, Supervisor Lambulingam is the Officer in charge of the Range, in which the Local Fund Mistry was employed.

Captain Sivalley's letter, of 22nd February 1872, with 4 enclosures marked A, B, C, and D.

Copy of Col. Moberley's letter, No. 32, of 5th March 1872.

inquiries as to his past, you can therefore trust worthy servant or otherwise to the Government - you felt quite assured on my report that the overseer was wrong in charging

Letter No. 911, of 11th March 1872, from the
Acting Collector, Vizianagaram.

Telugu letter (with English translation)
dated 22nd April, 1871, addressed to the
Range Officer, by Local Fund Ministry,
M. Veerabhadra Rao.

1. Telugu letter, No. 81, dated 28th December
1871.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Yours Most Obedient Servant,

G. N. S. S. S.
District Engineer.

persecuted by the

Letter No. 911, of 11th March 1872, from the

1872 Defacto
No. 6420
From

The District Engineer
in charge District

To,

The Secretary to Govt
D. W.

Dated 14th December 1872.

Re 24th DO

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I forwards the within men-
tioned Correspondence regarding
the dismissal of Local
Fund Ministry Mr. Veera
ragahavulu.

Under Secretary

No 21

6/11/73

No 663 - 1st Dec 1873.

No 663
P. M. A. S. 1873

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I am uncertain how far
we can interfere with a
decision of a President of
a local Fund Board dis-
missing a local Fund
member. but if there is
no objection on this ground
I think the record upon
which the Supg Engineer
with the sanction of the President
dismissed the Pet. should
be called for and examined.
without this, it is impossible
to deal with this appeal
R. L.

The man has 20 years
service & seems to have
borne a good character

Letter No. 911, of 11th March 1872, from the

N. 663 P. 10. 11

Pro. of the Madras Govt.

Read the following:

From the Lt. Surg., Kichei (P.L. No. 3 of 14 Decr.)

Read the following:
with reference to

The plea on which
the interference of Govern-
ment is called for by
M. Veeravagavaloo on
account of his dismissal
by the Supt Engineer
2nd Division with
concurrence of the Pre-
sident of the Local
Fund Board of the
Kistna District, from
the post of Local Fund
Ministry, is that he has
been persecuted by the

P.S.C.

Public Works Subordi.

notes an account of his
having in a petition
of 22nd April 1871 brought
to notice certain irregu-

larities of the Local
Fund Overseer. Whose
united influence and
false testimony led to
the dismissal aforesaid,
on his bringing notice
in January 1872 a de-
mand made on him
by Range Accountant
Parasimulu for a bribe
of Rs 42.

Now the petition
of 22nd April 1871 is not
a statement volunteered
by the Ministry, but
was put forward by him

in reply to the Range
Officer's order calling on
him to account for the
Overseer's bad report
of him. It contains two
short paragraphs of
general denial of
charges that appear
to have been made
against him, eleven
other paragraphs being
taken up with counter
charges against the Over-
seer. The Range
Officer having appar-
ently decided against
him & having subse-
quently forced him
three several times, he
seems to have appealed
to the Super Engineer

on the 28th December
1871 and followed
up that appeal by a
letter No. 84 of 3rd January
1872 bringing the charges
against the Range
Accountant and 2nd
Accountant on which
he has been dismissed.

The latter charges
have nothing whatever
to do with the former,
and as they were only
made 2 years after the
date of the alleged de-
mand for a bribe,
the petitioner has no
grounds for saying
that he brought them
forward because he
knew that certain men
were dismissed for not

"reporting the irregular
conduct of their superiors"
and demanding the
protection of Govern-
ment in consequence.

His Excellency the
Governor in Council
accordingly declines to
interfere with the
decision of the Presi-
dent of the Local
Fund Board, and
Superintendent; but,
in consideration of
former good service,
will recommend that
a further trial be
given to the Petitioner
in a similar capacity
to that in which he
has lately been em-
ployed, when an

opportunity for provi-
-ding for him may
occur. G.W.

To The St. Louisian Restored with 5 Enclosures
Controller
- Phil Sept 1

Despo 4/3/3 & 1004
of the letter with petition for removal of the 1/2

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As the pen-
damped was an
Office of the Lord Submitted for Orders.
I wish Board, I shall
be here next the 1st
of June - The Board
now in the area.

Office of Board, I have
 tried Board, the
 can interfere - The Board
 cannot interfere -
 conduct of its own Office
 I am sure that I do not
 feel satisfied with
 the capture held by
 Capt. Smalley. It is not
 clear whether it was held
 in the presence of the accused
 or whether he had the
 opportunity of cross-examination
 or putting in a detailed
 defense. An informant who
 was ready to speak was

that the Petitioner laid a
false charge - and his
general character is evi-
dently such as to entitle
him to but little leni-
ency.

CLP
LWW

He was in the policy
& in evidence -
but as the man
is in the employ
of the Z. F. Board
and the President
& Dep of Eng. have
concurred in his
dismissal & do
not think it
good in the future.

L.P.

Dec 17 1872
A.C. 11/11/73
C. 11/11/73

I should like this case to go
to the Government - the man
if acquitted can be employed
elsewhere under the S.P. W.
M.

see report

not heard because another
wharf M. Peter said he
was untrustworthy. If then
Apt Ingenier thought a false
charge had been brought
apt his duty. he should
have prosecuted the man
criminally - I do not think
the ^{conviction} charge established on
such imperfect & contradictory
evidence should be upheld
& a man of 20 years service
who bears a good character
should be dismissed from
the service. —

M

Capt. Am. ally
enquiry seems to

7/26/20



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The District Engineer
Hutna

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

C. of 1873, No. 663.

No. 2122

Local Fund Mainbury

Veeraragavaloo,

Richta District

Passing orders on
papers relating to the
disposal of Veera-
ragavaloo.