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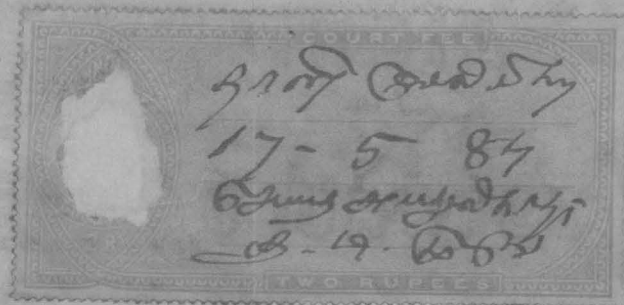
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Dated 30.

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1884.

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His Excellency the Right Honourable
Montagu Elphinstone Grant
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Governor of Port St. George
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Madras

The memorial presented by
A.C. Daniel Pillai, Tahsildar
Woodiarpolliem Taluq, Inchnopolly District
(Mission Street, Tanjore)

Most respectfully & humbly sets forth:—

That entertained in the Police in 1860,
Your Excellency's humble memorialist
so ably detected the notorious dacoits
that infested the districts of Tanjore
Inchnopolly & South Arcot; that
Mr. Whiteside the then District Magis-
trate voluntarily requested Captain
Hodges the memorialist's immediate
superior to recommend him to the
rank of a Tahsildar and thus appoint-
ed him the 5th grade Tahsildar of
Woodiarpolliem conditionally as he
had not then passed the required
Special Tests. Mr. Pennington too
was so

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was so pleased with the memorialist that he promoted him even when he was acting and that too conditionally to the 4th grade Jalsildarship and recommended him to be retained conditionally another year too as he failed the first time in the examination and that he was so continuing peacefully till 1880, the time of Mr Sewello's departure to Europe.

2. That the Hindu High officials that had been jealous of the poor memorialist availed themselves of the opportunity of Mr Martin being new to the District to poison his mind against the memorialist whose Dalug Pon being robbed of the Government Stamps at Inchi-nopoly they to feed fat the ancient grudge against a poor Christian, attempted skillfully to throw the blame on the memorialist to accuse and discharge him so as to create vacancy for their own men and of their own creed. Anticipating that this would not suffice to criminate the memorialist he all on a sudden sent for him to the Huzur and asked him to try a case in his presence and declared that he could not write properly and had Scrivener's paralysis in his hand and submitted the matter to the Hon^{ble} Board who in turn submitted the matter to the Government without taking any explanation whatever from the unfortunate memorialist.

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memorialist.

3. That such being the case the humble memorialist presented a petition to His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos for Justice against the oppressing Hindu High officials and His Grace was pleased to order "The Government see no reason on those papers to order the degradation of Daniel Pillai Jalsildar Perambalore Dalug but he should be transferred to a lighter Dalug if not declared unfit for further service by the Civil Surgeon before whom he must at once appear. They moreover do not consider that he can be held responsible for the loss of Stamps" G.O. No 1376 dated 21st October 1880. On Dr Thomas, the Civil Surgeon of Inchi-nopoly certifying that he held the Dalug in a peculiar manner but was unable to write properly the poor memorialist without being favoured with a copy of the Order was sent from Perambalore of 247 villages to Woodier Polliem containing 464 villages and having heavy old arrears of Revenue for thirteen years on a reduction of Rs 25 from Rs 175 to 150, Contrary to the Orders of the Government. An instance to prove how bottomless was the gulf of enmity.

4. That during the 4 years from this time to the end of 1883 your humble memorialist had tried several dacoities and murders, taking depositions with his own hand and committed the

them to the Sessions and that he had neither been absent for a day nor had taken any sick leave; that out of the arrears of Rs 30,300 when taken charge of the Taluq, nearly Rs 25,000 have been collected by the memorialist within the short space of 2½ years. This itself is sufficient to prove what amount of exertions he might have taken; but on the contrary Mr d. Janu subsequently brought against the memorialist a charge that heavy arrears have fallen in the Taluq.

5. That Mr d. Janu taking charge of the District during Mr Swell's absence on absence leave the hatred the British officials bore against the memorialist appeared in a darker form and the memorialist was unjustly fined Rs 20, which was refunded on the orders of the Honble Board of Revenue. Mr d. Janu sending for the memorialist gave him a letter to be taken to Dr. Thomas - one that had already certified as to his fitness for further service had by the tenor of the letter of Mr d. Janu to turn otherwise ~~and~~ write against him. G.O. 20th October 1883 No. 1312. with the memorialist begs elucidate the matter.

6. That on the 11th August 83 Dr. Manning has in his letter to Mr Swell the permanent Collector of the District certified that he did not consider him the memorialist as unfit for further service as Tahsildar and again on the 14th August in reply to Mr Swell's letter of the 13th August Mr Manning again

writes

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writes that the memorialist wrote judgment in his presence which occupied him ten minutes and further remarks "I regret I am unable to furnish fuller details as after a careful examination there is no cause of physical unfitness in this official that I am able to detect. The humble memorialist had tried several complicated Sessions cases in August, September & October and committed them to the Sessions Court. To add to his misfortune he was all on a sudden called on by the Collector to appear before the Medical Board Madras where he was asked to write and when he began as usual he was declared unfit within a minute.

7. That from these Your Excellency can easily conjecture what sort of enemies he was surrounded by how deep was the rancour & how they set up Mr d. Janu that acted but for a month, Mr. Jones that had the Division Charge for five days only and Mr Joseph that remained not even a week in the District to write so many groundless reports to ruin a poor Christian and how they succeeded in the end.

8. That the humble memorialist begs your Excellency will be pleased to call for the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No 1751 dated 14th June 1879 where the memorialist's
It was Dandapani Pillai, clerk in Sult. Dept. who did all this. The B. remarked: through the aid
Excellent

excellent services in the matter of
Salt are so glowingly depicted
and to consider that his so-called
inability to write properly was reported
during your Excellency's predecessor's
time and was not validated and
what other than the hatred and pre-
judice created in the minds of European
Superiors by the Hindu High officials
might have induced them to open
the same again and the contamina-
tion of the same in the European suc-
cessors has infused them to conduct
the case with double energy.

9. That he begs to assure your
Excellency that in this Presidency
where there are upwards of 160
Jahsildars there are not more than
two or three Christian Jahsildars
including himself and it is not
owing to the want of efficient men
for the post but it is solely owing
to the predominant influence of
Hindu High officials who would
not let them come up & should any
come up at all, the fate similar
to the memorialist's is already in store.

10. And that in conclusion
he craves your Excellency's clemency
to be graciously pleased to pity
him and allow him to continue
to hold his post till his services
may be completed that is only one
year exclusive of the privilege leave
or to grant him sick leave for
such a time as his services may
be then considered complete or
to exempt

given by High
Officials (Hindu
Hindu & others)
in the
present occasion
has been satis-
fying, it is
not to the credit
of the adminis-
tration of the
district that
such a state of
things should
have been
allowed to
exist."

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Special pension
could not
have been
more and
might have
been less
than has been got viz.
the maximum to which
he is eligible under
the rules.

to exempt him in consideration of
his past meritorious services and as
a remuneration for the loss he sus-
tained by the unlawful degrada-
tion contrary to the Government
order and allow him the special
pension as contemplated & recom-
ended by the North Board in their Pro-
ceedings No: 1312, dated 20th October
1883

17th May 1884
Jaipur I.

For which act of charity
the memorialist shall
as in duty bound, ever
pray for your Excellency
& family's long life
& prosperity at home
& abroad

Be it remembered
This

PETITION from *H. Daniel Pilla*

Dated *17th May* 188*6*

TRANSFERRED to the Chief Secretary to Govern-
ment for disposal.

(By Order.)

A. R. R. R.
Captain, R.E.,
Private Secretary.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Cotacuman }
26th May 188*6* }

Rev. Sec. 4:1376 of 21-10-80
1312 of 20-10-83.

Pandora (1884) DEPARTMENT.

No 583

From

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY

TO THE RIGHT HON. THE GOVERNOR,

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
DEPARTMENT.

In order.

Pet. was certified "com-
pletely and permanently
incapacitated" by a medical
board at Madras. He
has been given the maximum
pension admissible under
the rules, notwithstanding
his longstanding infirmity.

Submitted
Order from 30th Aug 84 No 582

The Govt. are unable to
comply with the petitioner's
request. Pet. was declared
by the Medical Board
to be permanently
incapacitated owing to paralysis.

Dated

25th

May

1884.

Recd.

" - 29th

ENCLOSURE.

No. _____

Subject.

Transfers a petition from A.C. Daniel
Pillai praying for
the special pension
recommended by
the Board of Revenue

With Encl.

W. H. Daniel Pillai

Sept 1-84

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