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Chingleput District
Collector's Cutcherry
Sydapet 17th July 1857.

From,
C. J. Shubrick Esqre.
Collector of Chingleput
To,
E. Maltby Esqre.
Act. Chief Secretary to Governt.
Fort St. George

Sir,

1 I have had the honor of receiving Extract from Minutes of Consultation No. 180 of the 14th Instant calling on me to make good out of my own Funds the arrears of Salary claimed by Hanoomajee Row for 5½ Months, as I had removed him from his Offic in an arbitrary manner without the previous sanction of higher authority as required by the Rules C. O. Boar of Revenue Vol 1 P 226 and 334.

2 Hanoomajee Row having thus brought his case to the notice of Government I trust I may be permitte to request them to reconsider their orders above alluded to & those of the 16th April last No. 81 which directs his reappointment to an Office equivalent

equivalent to the one from which he had been removed.—

3 In my letter of the 18th March 1857 No. 10 I mentioned the circumstances which in my opinion rendered it desirable that he should no longer continue in the Public service or at all events in the position of a Tahsildar and requested that he might either be pensioned or nominated to a Sheristadarship which would have the effect of removing him from personal Communication with myself and the other Gentlemen of the District to whom his appearance was distasteful.—

4 In their reply Governt. laid great stress on the fact that I had persisted to designate his Disease as Leprosy when the Medical Certificates did not bear me out & on the strength of his Disease not appearing to be Leprosy they directed his restoration to the Public Service as already stated.—

5 I beg here respectfully to state that while I may have described

him

him as suffering from Leprosy for want of another term to give to his appearance and his appearance being generally designated by that term among persons who have not received a Medical Education it was not because he was suffering from that disease that I recommended his transfer to the Pension List but because his personal appearance was disgusting and such as to render it impossible to transact business with him, and that his consequent continuance in the service was an interference with and an impediment to the proper performance of the Duties of his Office with those persons with whom he was brought in contact and I would therefore beg the Governt. to consider whether his appearance being the cause of his objection the distinctive appellation given to his complaint by Medical men is of any consequence.—

6 As regards the Medical Certificates describing his complaint as not being Leprosy I would beg to point

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out that they neither of them express an opinion relative to his fitness or otherwise for the Public Service, and that I am informed the difference between his complaint and genuine Leprosy is only distinguishable by a Medical man — to all others the appearance is the same and similarly revolting.—

7 Under these circumstances I trust I may be allowed to acquaint the Govern.t that I am prepared with their permission to produce the Certificate of Dr. Sanderson that the complaint under which Hanoomajee Row is suffering is such as to render him in his opinion unfitted for the Public Service and that Dr. Sanderson expressed his astonishment to me that Doctors Kellie & Ralton did not add as much when writing their Certificates.—

8 The orders of Government directing Hanoomajee Row's restoration having thus I hope been shewn by me to have been founded on a misconception of the reasons which induced me to apply for his Pension I trust I may

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may be pardoned for the request I have made for them to be reconsidered and that if the Certificate of a Dr. Sanderson should not be held to be sufficient that a Medical or any other Committee may be directed to sit upon him with especial reference to his appearance whether it is or is not repulsive and such as to render it undesirable for the reasons already stated to retain him in the Public Service.—

9 As regards the present orders of Government which describe my conduct towards him as arbitrary I beg to be permitted to state that I did every thing in my power to make his removal to the Pension list as easy to him & his family as possible and that I promoted his brother who was my Head Goomastah from a salary of Rupees 50 to one of Rupees 85 on the occasion though I was unable to confirm him in his Promotion owing to the interference of the Board of Revenue with the appointment on which it depended.—

10 I trust I have thus shewn I was not actuated by the arbitrary

motives

motives which have been attributed to me, and the Governt. are already aware that my feelings regarding Hanoomajee Rows' appearance were shared by the other Gentlemen of the District who had been thrown in his way - and with reference to the higher authorities whom I am told I should have consulted I would beg to point out that it would only have been necessary for me to refer to them in a Case of Dismissal but that in a Case of Pension the Board of Revenue did not stand between me and my application to Government and that their sanction was not necessary for my Proceedings.

11 Should it however be still held that I ought not to have disbursed his salary to other parties before the Govt. had decided on admitting him to a Pension, I would beg to refer them to my letter of the 18th March 1857 stating that the long delay in preferring my application was owing to Hanoomajee Row's non attendance at my Office though repeatedly summoned and that he had been distinctly warned that the Board of Revenue to whom he had appealed had nothing to do with his case - If he had not wilfully staid away from my Office, the length of time he would have been without salary would have been reduced to the period between retaking his descriptive Roll and receiving the orders of Government or at the outside three weeks or a month - For all in excess he was himself alone responsible.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servant.

E. Maltby Esqre Collector.
Af Chief Secretary to Governt.
Fort St. George.

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From
The Collector of
Chingleput.
To
The Ag Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 17th } July 1857.
Recd. 20 }
No. 26

No. 306

Requesting to reconsider the orders of Govt. directing the restoration to Office — of Hanumansee Row.

For orders

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Public Separate Deptt.

No. 306

From
The Collector of Chingleput
Dated 17th July 1857.

For Orders

Shews — that this man is an unpleasing object to say the least — as Dr Sanderson's opinion is so strong — a committee might be appointed to decide the question after Dr S.'s opinion has been submitted.

Dr. Sandersons opinion shd have been submitted

be my belief that he was unfitted for

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To,

D. F. Carmichael Esqre
Deputy Secretary to Government

Sir,

In reply to your Memorandum under date 29th Inst. requesting me to state for the information of Government what opportunities I have had of seeing Hanoomajee Row and what opinion I have formed of his appearance as affecting that Individual's fitness for the public Service.-

I have the honor to State in reply that my opinion was formed from a description of the Case by Dr. Ambrick being guided in giving it by what I had observed when in Medical Charge of upwards of two thousand Natives during my first years of Service in this Country & entertaining the idea that any Native Authority attached to the Public Service who is marked in the way that Hanoomajee Row is described to be and as appeared from the Certificates of Drs. Millie and Statton, is an object of repulsion to his fellow countrymen and therefore unfitted to perform his duties efficiently.-

Under those circumstances I stated it to be my belief that he was unfitted for the

Public Service and that after seeing him I should not hesitate to grant a Certificate to that effect.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servant

Madras
3d August 1857

J Sanderson
Ag Garrison Surgeon
Presidency

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From

The Acting Garrison Surgeon Presidency

Dated 3rd &
Recd 5th August 1857

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Separate. Public Department

No 236

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date 3rd September 1857.

Read the following papers:

From the Collector of Chingleput	Dated 17th July 1857. No 26)
From J. Sanderson Esqr Ag Garrison Surgeon Presidency	Dated 3rd Aug 1857.)

1 In the letter above recorded the Collector of Chingleput requests that the Govt will reconsider their orders of the 14th July No 180, and those of the 16th April last No 81 which directed the re-appointment of Hanoomajee Row, late Tahsildar of Poonamallee, to an office equivalent to the one from which he had been

been removed.

2. Before taking the subject again into consideration and finally disposing of the case of Hanoomajee Row, the Govt. resolve to communicate to the Medical Board the opinion of Dr. Sanderson above recorded, and to request that they will appoint a Committee of Medical Officers to examine the party with special reference to his appearance and to report upon his fitness for the efficient performance of his duties. The Board will arrange, in communication with the Collector of Chingleput, as to the time and place at which Hanoomajee Row should appear before the Committee.

E.L.

D. Carmichael
D.S.

To the Medical Board. despd. 4th Recd. 4th. Entd. and Exd. by 4th Sept. A.L. S.M.B.
Copy to Collector of Chingleput. despd. 4th

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Dated 3d September
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