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Memorandum

× Masulipatam
Codicondah
Bellary
Ganjam
Trichinopoly
Cuddapah
Vizagapatam
Vellore

× No. 1

I have served the Honorable Company for 49 years in the several Zillahs noted in the Margin × I have been employed in Subordinate Situations for 16 years & I beg to submit Copy × of a Testimonial from Mr. Gahagan the then Collector of Bellary & having gained the esteem of the then Gentlemen I was appointed to the Office of Tahasildar which Office I held for 9 years. During the time I have been in the Districts of Trichinopoly & Cuddapah the Gentlemen have treated me respectfully on considering the efficient Services I performed. ——

2 In proof of which Mr. Thompson (who had been aware of my qualifications & Character in Cuddapah) having found some Native Servants here had prepared false accounts of Sookty amounting to about One lack of Rupees & dismissed the Head Sheristadar & some Tahasildars; had been pleased to call me to this District from Cuddapah although I was a stranger to this place & appointed

me as Tahasildar of Talamunchy (on 20th October 1830) in which it was entered in the account that there had been Sookty to the amount of about Rs. 40,000. I accordingly having taken great pains, in examining the same, Collected the whole amount entered as Sookty together with the then outstanding balance in that Talook. Further in 1831 I have caught with my utmost endeavours the Sirdar, or leader of Gang robbers named Tupakula Butchigadu together with his sons &ca who had been plundering throughout the Talook & who having been concerned with the Gang robbers of Cuddapah escaped to this District & committed him & the others to Court. Mr. Thompson had promised me, a suitable promotion for my labour but he having expired in the meanwhile Mr. J. C. Whish who has been appointed Collector having taken notice of my Efficient Services promoted me on 28th February 1832 as Tahasildar of Nellore Talook.

During the time I had been Tahasildar of Nellore Talook I performed the undermentioned important Services.

In 1832 Some Robbers having Combined a gang of about 150 men of whom Some made

themselves

themselves leaders beat & wounded the Nababpetta Merchants in the vicinity of Chintareddy pollem of Nellore Talook & Robbed them of their property & grain &ca.

On hearing the news I having proceeded myself immediately to the Spot apprehended them with much personal labour & committed them to the Zillah Court & they have been punished for the same. This circumstance is on the Record.

Lately in Cuddapah some one had killed & poured the blood &ca of a Sow in the "Zumma" Masque & the Mahamadans of that place having Congregated raised a disturbance. When the Additional Sub Collector Mr. McDonnel in order to abate that struggle proceeded thither together with the Heads of Police. The Mahamadans crowded there had not only killed that Gentleman on the Spot & his Sepoys together with some of the peons that followed him but also wounded several men together with the Town Police at the same time on 7th August 1832 Some one having killed & sprinkled the blood &ca of

x Macdonald - brother of the late Paymaster -

of a sow in the "Edagaha" Masque of Nellore the Mahamadans of this place & of the Villages around having Congregated in Crouds amounting to about 10,000 men proceeded to the Bungalows of the Collector, Judge & commanding Officers &c. with an intention to kill the Gentlemen & they not having been found the Mahamadans not only made a disturbance thither but also beat the men of other Sects who were inhabitants of this Town; the merchants & other people shut themselves up in their houses for fear of loosing their lives & felt great difficulty in preserving their lives from the Cruelty of the Mussulmen; when I ventured to enter into the armed croud & checked the disturbance & cruelty of the Mussulmen & having apprehended the accused men; Committed them to Court & preserved the peace without fearing for my life. The then Magistrate Mr. Whish has been very much pleased towards me, this Case is also on the Record.

In the year 1833 the Hill Robbers mentioned in the Margin× having set up as Surdars or Heads formed a Gang of more than 500 Robbers armed with weapons & plundered the Villages of Chundy which was then under the Management of Court of Wards & Pamur &c. The several Heads of Police notwithstanding their endeavours could not apprehend the Criminals; in consequence of which the people on that part of the District have fled away for the loss by, & trouble of those Marauders when Mr. Whish the then Collector & Magistrate took a Sepoy Guard & having proceeded to that Station together with his Cutchery endeavoured to apprehend the Banditti, but the Robbers also began to plunder & disturb the same Villages in which Mr. Whish held his Cutchery. Consequently that Gentleman wrote a chit to me who was Tahasildar in Nellore to Come to Choondy & having represented all circumstances of the Robbers to me granted me authority over the Heads of Police on that part of the District. Mr. Whish not only issued a Hookoom to apprehend the Robbers but has also said that I would deserve his favor by apprehending the Criminals & introducing peace into the Country.—

1 Chopparapu Garataya
2 Basavaya
3 Nagaya

Although their attempt was a thing impossible to be performed by a Native Servant like myself yet I having dared to undertake it requested the Gentleman to proceed to Nellore with his Cutchery, tried myself to my best & with great difficulty within 15 days apprehended the three Leaders together with about 100 robbers at different places & committed them then & then securing them to my utmost & the Criminals have been punished as they deserved. Although the robbers had been informed of my being named to apprehend them & tried in various ways to take away my life yet by the protection, & courage of the Honorable Company they have been apprehended by me. The people were set at rest. The Ryots on that part having fled away by the torture of the robbers I stayed there for some time longer & having called & encouraged all the Ryots fixed them as formerly in their respective positions. In doing which also I have taken great trouble as regards Revenue affairs The Gentleman having been pleased at so daring an enterprise has granted me a Testimonial on the occasion of his leaving this District certifying my talents & labours in

in the above three cases but it having been mislaid while sent with an application to Mr Smith.

× No. 2

× No. 3

I beg to enclose translation of the Hookoom which he has written to me & copy of the Chit calling me to come to Guttoopully. There being recorded instance of my having apprehended the above Criminals & of their having undergone the high penalties both in the Records of the Magistracy & the Zillah Court.

In 1833 one man named Mirapacayala Paupaya having died himself by hanging in Nellore, I under my capacity as Head of Police caused some Sepoys who had been concerned in the case to be seized & brought to me when the Head Assistant Magistrate, the Zillah Judge, the Commanding Officer & gentlemen having formed a Court released the Sepoys & wrote to the higher Authorities that it was irregular on my part to do so, when the Government having disapproved the objections raised by the Committee ordered the Sepoys should be sent to me & tried again by me & Ruled that I was right in doing so. I then tried the case again & Committed the Sepoys to Court which is also evident on the Record. —

In 1836 While Mr. Stonhouse was Collector the then assistant Magistrate Mr. Jellico proceeded to Woodiagherry to inquire into a Case of Gang robbery in which the Jahageerdar was accused of having instigated & he intended to search the house of the Zamindar & to take the necessary measures & being unable to do so Mr. Stonhouse issued to me a Hookoom ordering me to proceed to Woodiagherry with the required Sibbundy & to afford the assistance he asked for I went to that place immediately & not only assisted him but also pointed out to the Zamindar the regulations & the results & having penetrated into his house without fearing for life searched all the places required by Mr. Jellico & thus helped him in those points in which he found so much difficulty I therefore beg to submit translations of the Hookooms issued by those two Gentlemen.

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1 by Mr. Stonhouse
1 by Mr. Jellico
Nos. 4 & 5

In

In the same year when the freshes came down to the River Pennar the Nellore Tank having become filled with too much Water through its supplying Channel the latter burst at the enterence into the Tank & the Bank has been breached about 40 yards the water was flowing over with great force The Engineers were even unable to seek any means for stopping it, when I proceeded to the Spot & having sought a Scheme of my own Judgment stopped the Water from overflowing by raising a Bank with a kind of forked beams of Wood which would otherwise have occasioned a loss of 20,000 Rupees to the Circar. My Endeavours, the Scheme which I adopted & my personal labour in the above matter having been brought to the notice of Mr. Stonhouse through the Civil Engineer he issued a Hookoom in my name stating that he is very much pleased with my plan & had al Circulated the same plan to be adopted on such occasions in all the Talooks of the Zillah

No 6

Zillah I therefore beg to submit translation of the Hookoom also — — —

In 1836 While there was a great amount of Balance in the Talooks of Ravoor & Survapully I was sent thither for that purpose, I collected the whole of the outstanding Balance & the Gentleman was very much pleased at my trouble & that instance is also on the Record.

In the District of Vizagapatam people were in the Cruel habit of killing or doing any other Mischief to the Head Sheristadars & at last some wicked people murdered the Head Sheristadar of that District Custoory Appiah. Mr Freese the then Collector of Vizagapatam in Reporting that circumstance to the Board stated that he does not like to remain in that District when he was transferred to another Zillah. Mr Arbuthnot the then Collector wrote to the Board that no one had been found Competent to hold that Office. The Board having found me competent appointed me to that District. The then Members of the Board Mr Sullivan & Mr McDonnel having been aware of the Cruel actions of the People & that although Mr

Mr Russell had been appointed as a Commissioner & taken great difficulty in checking the disturbances of the Hill Zamindars &ca they were not fully set at rest; encouraged me by promises in their presence that most part of that District having been consisted of Zamindary & Proprietory Estates I would deserve the favor of Government if I should manage the affairs both to the benefit of the Circar & that of the Zamindars, Ryots &ca. Since my arrival in that District I tried my utmost so that there may not be any disturbances of the Hill Zamindars & at the same time sought the benefit of both the Circar & that of the Ryots. The accounts &ca of the Circar in that District having been in a quite irregular State I fixed a regular form for all the accounts.

No 7

I therefore beg to submit Copy of the Testimonial granted to me by Mr Arbuthnot.

More especially as the Collector of that District had also granted me the Sheristadar management of the Vizianagarum Zamindary the largest in that District & allowed me an additional Salary of 20 Pagodas.

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I managed the affairs together with those
of Zamabundy &ca of that Zamindaree both to
the benefit of the Zamindar & that of the Ryots
&ca I beg to enclose translation of the letter to × No. 8
my address from Pusapaty Narayanagajapaty
Raz Bahadar the Zamindar of Vizianagrum
stating that he is satisfied with my important
Services in his Zamindary –

Further the People of that District
having been pleased with my management towards
them, wrote a "Mahazhar" stating that if a
Commissioners Sheristadarship should be
established in that District I should be
appointed to that Office & that whereby they
can have peace & prosperity & the respectable
people such as Zamindars & Proprietors
having signed sent it to the Collector × No. 9
Mr. Arbuthnot through a letter from Goda
Surya Pracasa Row a respectable Proprietor
of Anakapully &ca Estates which having
been in the Collector's Office there I beg to
submit translation of that "Mahajharnamah" × No. 10
with this together with copies of the Testimonials Nos. 11 & 12
granted to me at different times subsequently
by

by Mr. Smollett the Agent to the Governor
for my capacity & conduct in discharging
my duties to the benefit of the Circar
& that Gentleman at times even entrusted
me with the Settlement of Bariz of some
Talooks without his presence I therefore
× No. 13 beg to submit translation of his Hookoom
I performed several other works beyond
my Office as to Gentlemen's Orders. as
it would enlarge my Statement I did not
mention them all. –

Mr. G. A. Smith late Collector
No. 14 of this District having recommended me
to the Board on my application took me as
Head Sheristadar from Vizagapatam to Nellore
& for three months afterwards he having seen
No. 15 my exertions & conduct recommended the
increase of my salary (as per rules) I beg to
× No. 16 submit copy of the same together with that
of another letter which he wrote to the Board
on another occasion That Gentleman having
taken into consideration my trouble & exertion
during the Zamabundy has been pleased to
make a strong recommendation in Para 93 of
the Zamabundy Report for Fusly 1257,
and

and I submit Copy of the same Nº 17

On your honor's arrival to this District your honor having examined my Character & abilities was pleased to recommend me for the increase of my Salary to 525 Rs. I beg to enclose Copy of the same. Nº 18 Your honor on the occasion of your departure on leave was pleased to send me a Testimonial from Vojily on your route to Madras I beg also to enclose Copy of the same for your honor's recollection. Nº 19 Mr. Ratliff has recommended me (as mentioned to him by your honor) to the Board in the Zamabundy Report for Fasly 1263 on the 5th December 1854. I beg to submit Copy of the same Nº 20

On your honor's return to this Distt your honor has been pleased to recommend favorably about me in the Zamabundy Report for fasly 1264 during the month of December 1855. I beg to enclose Copy of the same Nº 21

I have always sought the benefit of Government & acted faithfully in the several efficient Works such as apprehending Sirdars or leaders of Gang robbers with their Banditti & those who resisted the Circar

without

without even fearing for my life & obtained Testimonials from many Gentlemen. Whenever any wicked actions had arisen in any other Talooks or divisions & the Heads of Police Could not check them I have been sent to exercise my talents & labour to bring them to right way & to modify also other Revenue affairs although I had no concern whatever with those places. I beg your honor to take into your pitiful consideration the great necessity of my having been sent to other places than my own to suppress wickedness & to secure the cause of Government & the pains & exertions I have taken in performing them. The Government have been pleased to grant Rewards even to those who used their talents faithfully in cases not very important with a view to encourage their people for further occasions.

The Honorable Company having taken into their favorable consideration the efficient Services performed by the Head Sheristadar named in the Margin x through the favorable Recommendations of Good Gentlemen like your honor have granted privileges of enjoying Either in money or in land, for them & to their descendants & also the Collectors have favored their sons with the Situations of Head & Naib Sheristadars & that of Tahasildars &ca high steps

As I have also performed such praise worthy works not only in Revenue but also in that of Police Affairs I therefore humbly beg to request your honor who is my Superior & Protector will be pleased to take the trouble of recommending me to the Government favorably (in the above manner as other Collectors did to their Sheristadars so that I and my family may live happily) that my present salary of 525 Rs. may be granted to me as Pension during my life time & that $\frac{2}{3}$ds of that amount may be given

to

x
Ramachendrarow
Board Sheristadar
D. Narayanappa
D°
Butcharow Head
Sheristadar of
Cuddapah
Sreenevasarow D°
of Darvarah
Ramaswamy
D° of D°
Nilacuntarow
of Bellary
&ca

to two succeeding descendants & trust you would protect me and my large family.

For doing which I will be praying God for your honor's long life & promotion

I am with due respects
Honored Sir
Your Most Obedient & humble
Servant
(Signed) Venkatarow
Head Sheristadar

4th April
1857.

(True Copy)

Ag. Collector

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In a letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore dated 15th September 1857 No. 29.

No. 4

Memorandum furnished by the Head Sheristadar of Nellore detailing the services rendered by him.

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In No. 4172/57
Inclosure No. iii

S.P./1857/Do
In No. 412

To

F. B. Elton Esquire
Collector of Nellore

Application of
Vamugunty Venkatro
Head Sheristadar of
Nellore District
for Superannuation
Pension

Honored Sir

I humbly beg to apply for a Superannuation Pension & that your hono will bring into your favorable consideratio the efficient Services I performed to the Honorable Company during my course of Service together with my prayer which I have stated in the accompanying Memorandum enclosing the Testimonials &ca. I held from several Gentlemen & to be so good as to recommend me strongly forwarding this, my Applicatio together with the accompanying Memorandum to the Higher Authorities & to protect me & my large family

I beg to remain with due respects
Honored Sir
Your most Obdt. & humble Servant
(Signed) Venkatarow
Head Sheristadar

4th April 1857

(True Copy)

Ag Collr.

Cad.

In a letter from the Ag: Collr. of Nellore dated 15th. September 1857 No. 29.

No. 1

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In Ltr 4172/58

Copy of Application from E. Vencatarow Head Shr. of Nellore for a superannuation Pension

SP/887/58

& Ltr 412

No. 1.

Character for Venkatarow late Goomastah in the Collectors Cutchery of Bellary

This is to certify that the Bearer Venkatarow has been for some time employed as Goomastah of the Hoozoor Cutchery at Anantapoor & that he has conducted hims during the time he has served to my entire satisfaction. Being desirous of accompanying his father to Ganjam, I hav permitted him to resign his place an recommend him to the favor and protectio of any Gentlemen who may be desirous o employing a clever intelligent promisin youth.

Anantapoor 20th April 1809
(Signed) Fredk. Gahagan
Collector of Bellary

No. 2

(L. S.)

"Ezett Asst." Vamoogunty Venkatarow
Head of Police of Nellore Talook

As certain Gang robberies are being perpe-trated in the Villages attached to the Zamindaree of Chundy & Paunmoor I have strictly ordered the Heads of Police of Chundy. — Buddapoody, Cavelly, & Calighirry, Doottalar &ca to apprehend the Criminals, some have been apprehended & others are still at large. On a due consideration of this Subject I believe that some wicked persons of the Villages of the Zamindary having set up themselves as leaders of Gangs are committing such Robberies & if they are apprehended & punished after conviction the people on that part of the Country will be in peace

The Heads of Police who have up to this time been sent on this account being in the habit of acting as they thought proper many inconveniencies have occurred It therefore appears necessary that if some Superior was appointed competent to effect the apprehension of the Criminals & Superintend all the other Heads of Police obtaining information on the Subject & consulting with them on the measures

to

to be taken at the respective times it would be convenient for me to be acquainted with all things through one Head & to afford the required assistance. Consequently you are hereby ordered to go to the spot & try your best to apprehend the Criminals using your abilities to the utmost & making it your main object to establish peace throughout the Country. —

Moreover when the Criminals are seized the respective Heads of Police will examine them of the Crimes; but whenever you think it necessary to interfere in any case your are hereby authorized to exercise that power of enquiry into it. —

Hookooms on the Subject have been issued to all the Heads of Police that are deputed in this matter

Nellore Magistrates Office 4th July
1833 Coommy
(True Translation)
(signed) J. C. Whish
Magistrate

No 3

You are on the receipt of this to give over charge of your Talook to the Mazoomdar & come to me forthwith

True Translation
(Signed) J. C. Whish

To The Tahasildar
Nellore
1st July 1833

Guttoopally

No 4

To Vamoogunty Venkatarow
Head of Police of Nellore Talook

It being necessary that you should immediately after seeing this Takeed proceed to Woodiagherry to Mr. Jellico the assistant Magistrate who is enquiring into a case of Gang robbery in that place to afford him whatever assistance he requires of you in the investigation of the case.

You are directed to collect as many Peons as you can & without a moments delay proceed to Woodiagherry & act according to the orders of that Gentleman & you are

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at the same time to know that the very moment you receive this order you should depart from Nellore to the said place without the least delay & if you delay & do not go to that place as ordered you will be liable to my displeasure.

You should let me know when you have quitted Nellore for Woodiagherry & with how many Peons.

21st December 1836 Nellore

Morover as you are required to reach Woodiagherry by day after tomorrow's Morning before Sun rise you should do accordingly. & dont fail herein.

(True Translation)
(signed) J. V. Stonhouse
Prinl. Collr. & Magte.

No 5

To Vamoogunty Venkatarow
Head of Police of Nellore Talook

Having executed the commission on which you were deputed by Mr. Stonhouse you may on the receipt of this Order go back to your Talook.

26th December 1836 Woodiagherry

(True Translation)
(signed) W.E. Jellico
Asst. Magte.

To Vamuzunty Venkatarow No. 6
Tahasildar of Nellore Taluk

I have received your Arzee No. 40 informing me that as the anicut at the mouth of the Nellore River channel was being erected, the freshes came down in the River, burst the channel & destroyed the Anicut — about 40 yards of the Bund & that you have caused the breaches to be filled up & taken great care in regard to it.

I am exceedingly delighted with your success having heard from Mr. Wardon the Asstt. Civil Engineer that you have exerted very much & have filled up the breaches substantially. — I shall keep in remembrance your labours

Moreover as the measures you have taken in filling up the breaches appear to be remarkably well devised I intend making it known by Circulars to all the Tahasildars if you would send a description of the plan you have adopted in a clear & brief statement that they might be enabled to adopt the like on such occasions. —

15th November 1836.
(True Translation)
(signed) J. V. Stonhouse
Prinl. Collr.

No. 7

V. Venkatarow served as Head Sheristadar in this District+ for 4 years & 3 months. He was sent up by the Board of Revenue & previous to his appointment was a stranger to me. He has conducted the duties of his Office to my satisfaction

+Vizagapatam

15th January 1842.
(Signed) W. U. Arbuthnot
Agent & Collector

No. 8

From Pusapaty Narayana Gajapaty Razo Bahadar the Zamindar of Vizianagarum
to Vamoogunty Vencatarow Puntool Gauroo

Since hearing of your character from several individuals that you are deligently taking much trouble about the performance of the affairs of my Zamindary as approved by the Agent to the Governor & it is going on very well we are well satisfied with it & are confident that you will adopt such measures as to get benefit of our affairs.

(True Translation)
(Signed) Narayana Gajapaty
Raz

16th May 1842 }
Banares }

W. U. Arbuthnot Esqre. No. 9
Collector of Vizagapatam

It being known that the Office of an agent to the Governor is to be established in this District, & Ganjam & other places the authority of the present Collectors will be greatly deminished & that Vamooganty Venkatarow the Head Sheristadar of your Cutchery will have to quit this place, the respectable men of this District have Executed a "Mahajharnamah" setting forth their earnest desire of having his Services Continued in this District either in the Office of the Agent to the Governor or in any other Suitable post as they have found him by experience to be a man of high principles. I have also placed my Signature to the Said Mahajharnamah We are now given to understand that the Said authority of the Agent to the Governor is to be vested in the Collectors of Ganjam & Vizagapatam & although it is now needless to forward the said Mahajharnamah to you as you are well acquainted with the abilities, high Character & moral principals of the said Venkatarow Puntooloo yet most of the Native Gentry who signed the Mahajharnamah being desirous of placing their high opinion of Venkatarow on the records of your Office & having requested me to send the Mahajharnamah to you I have the pleasure of doing so, now, with a hope that this Document will benefit him

(True Translation)
(Signed) Goday Surya
Pracasarow

Vizagapatam 31st
July 1839 or 5th Aushadha
Bahula of the year Vicary

No. 10

From the time Vamooginty Venkatarow Puntooloo has been appointed by the Revenue Board as Head Sheristadar of the Collector's Cutchery of this District his mangement of his Office has been so agreeably & his Conduct so upright that he has become quite popular.

It appearing that under the proposed Act of Government the Establishment of the Collector will be greatly deminished & a Commissioner appointed for some Talooks We earnestly request to avoid being deprived of his Services; that he may be appointed to a Similar Office either on the Establishment of the Collector or that of the Commissioner in this District

(Signed) Sree Pusapaty Venkata
Patirazoogar
(Sigd) Sree Pusapaty Runga
Razoogarow
" Sree Pusapaty Narasimhara
Zoogarow
" Sree Rajah Jumpana Vijia
Raghava Padmanabharazoo,
Bahadar
" Sree Gottamookkala Rama
Chendra Bhoopaty gar

(Signed) "Sree" Buttulapati Venkata
Padmanabha razoogarow
" Sree Chullaparazoo Mirjah
Venkata patirazoogarow
" Sree P. Vizayaramarazoo
" Sree Gottamookkala Peda
Venkataramarazoo
" Sree Gottamukkala China
Venkataramarazoogarow
" Sree, Jumpana Bapirazoo
" Sree, Tiroomalarazoo Venka
tapatirazoo

(Signed) Sree Jumpana Venkata
Paty Razoo
" Sree Jumpana Venkata
patirazoo
" Sree Pankalapaty Seeta
Ramarazoogarow
" Sree Cakelapoody Vizia Go-
palarazoogaroo
" Sree Duntooloory Narayana
Razoogarow
" Goday Suryapracasarow
" Guddum Venkatareddy
" Pottoory Antaya
" Potapragada Jogirazoo
" Subrumessoo Abajeerow
" Mahabhashyem Sashadry
Sastree
" Chinavari Ramasomaya
jooloo
" Mula Appanna
" Munda Narsimhuloo
" Cavileya Rungacharloo
" Appali Narsimhacharloo
" Velootoory Jaggunnadham
" Verna Goorayacharyuloo
" Goody Jagacharloo
" Davaguptum Ramachendra-
charloo
" Rungoody Narasappa
" Khundavelly Seetaramoodoo
" Suttyavada Ramaya
" Pulapahacodum Sramoodoo
" Revalamy Jogaya
" Maramunda Sreenivasachar
-loo

(Signed) Goday Surya Narayana Row

(Sigd) Tummana Rukmajee
" Bhogavilly Appadoo
(Marked) Davacooram Major
Subadar
... Signed in Parshy
(Signed) Head Bancan Merchant
Boddala Goorappa
" Vecha Rungunayakooloo
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Khan
(Signed) M. Chand School Mr.
of Cickar of Vizianagram
" G. Musala Naidoo
" Muntripragada Venkatarow
" Vuckalunk Ramaya
" Bemmoory Ramaya
" Kundagiry Ramdass
" Sreepaty Suraya
" Angara Veeraramoodoo
" Surabookhana Kreshnarow
" Attivilly Somunna
" Vuddlamoody Hanoomaya
" Cherookoopully Bapaya
" Mosalacunty Luchanna
" Badiday Ramachendrarow
" Cotty Narasaya
" Cotty Cristnaya
" Signed in Maratah
" Cavoory Lukshmaya
" Colluroo Ramunna

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" Mosalacunty Tiroomalarow
" Kodoogunty Ramaya
" Kodoogunty Venkatasrew
" Paundrungy Varahaloo
" Auvatipully Venkatappa
" Guddum Ramanarsoo
" Kotamarazoo Lukshmyna
rayana
" Kuvatoo Veerrazoo
" Valamoory Muttanna
" Tadapulli Appaya
" Borra Venkunna
" Suttavada Venkata Reddy
" Rundoore Nagunna
" Chattraty Paupaya
" Guddum Rama narsamma
" Madina Bhascara row
" Goodwada Lukshmy nara
simha Rayadoo
" Munchirazoo Rungaya
" Conoodala Ramdass
" Nadimitta Appanna
Sastry
" Mukkamoola Jaggunna
dha Deekshatooloo
" Rungooly Ramaswamy
" Pochirazoo Yellaya
" Reddy pully Gooroomurty
" Gundicota Seetunna
" Gudicota Venkatarow

(Signed) Rundagiri Soobbarow
" Bhagavatula Sambunna
" Yerramilli Ramalinga
Swamy
" Lagidala Venkatarow
" Totticala Valoo Modeliar
" Balijapulli Parvatiswara
Sastoorloo
" Mosalacanti Venkata
narayanarow
" Mosalacanti Venkata
Jagunnadharow
" Garooda Reddy
" Chagunty Luckshamana
Somayajee
" Vijapoorapoo Venkatrow
" Vijapurapa Venkappa
" Mahapajoo Venkatarow

(True Copy)
L.S.
Signed)
P. B. Smollett
Collector

No. 99 (L.S.)

Mohubbut &ca Vamoogunty
Venkatarow Puntooloogaru
Head Sheristadar Nellore

Agreeably to your request conveyed in your English letter of the 22d April I have the honor to forward Copies of the letter of Goday Surya Pracasa Row Gar, to the address of the then Collecto dated 31st July 1839 & of the Mahapharnamah which accompanied it setting forth your uprigh & good Conduct evinced during your services as Head Sheristadar of Vizagapatam District.

(True Translation)
Vizagapatam Collr. Office (Signed) P. B. Smollett
4th May 1857
Collector

Vizagapatam 15th December
1843

No. 11 Vamoogunty Venkatarow Head Sherista of Vizagapatam, has conducted himself entire to my satisfaction during the period of twenty Months I have had Charge of this District

As I have had no opportunity of publicly noticing his Conduct I have given hi this seperate Testimonial.

(Signed) P. B. Smollett
Collector

No. 12 This is to certify that Vamoogunty Venka tarow has served in this District in the Capac of Head Sheristadar from 1st November 1837 til the 31st July 1847 being a period of 9 years 9 Months & that he gave satisfaction to th

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several Officers in charge of the District
under whom he served.

He left on being nominated Head Sheristadar of Nellore.

Vizagapatam Collector's
Office, Bimlipatam
31st July 1847.

(Signed) P. B. Smollett
Collector

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No. 126

No. 13

To Vamoogunty Venkatarow Puntooloo
Head Sheristadar Hoozoor

On receiving this Hookoom you should proceed to Palcondah Talook & on consideration of the Aloocoobady Cultivation, the state of produce of Crops &ca & the circumstances of the Ryots of that Talook & also the Talooks of the Minor Zamindars of Coorooparm & Sungumvulsa you should fix the amount of Jumabundy Settlement that could be realized for F. 1255 at your discretion & having caused the accounts &ca thereof to be prepared send them to my Hoozoor

(True Translation)

(Signed) P. B. Smollett
Agent to the Governor

Vizagapatam
Governor's Agents
Office 2d March
1846.

Nellore Collector's Office
1st July 1847.

No. 14

From
G. A. Smith Esqre
Collector of Nellore

To
The Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort Saint George

Sir

The Board of Revenue having in their Proceedings of 17th Ultimo objected to my choice of S. Ramanujarow present Sheristadar of Masulipatam as Successor to Ramarow in this District I now have the honor to request their sanction for availing myself of the services of V. Venkatarow at present Sheristadar of Vizagapatam, to whose coming to this District Mr. Smollett has given his consent.

V. Venkatarow is a Native of Cuddapah & is an old experienced Servant of about 39 years standing in the course of which he has been employed in the Districts of Cuddapah Bellary, Trichinopoly, Nellore, Masulipatam Ganjam & Vizagapatam & he was particularly recommended for his present situation by the Board of Revenue. As Nellore is not so distant from his Native home Cuddapah as Vizagapatam he has for some time been anxious to come here. I beg leave to forward a Statement of V. Venkatarow's Services as also Copies of the characters he holds from Mr Arbuthnot & Mr Smollett.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obt Servant
(Signed) G. A. Smith
Collector

Nellore Collector's Office
19th November 1847

No. 15

From
G. A. Smith Esqre
Collector of Nellore

To D. White Esqre
Acting Secretary to the Board
of Revenue. Fort St. George

Sir
My Sheristadar Vamoogunty Venkatarow on the 1st instant completed a period of Service of 10 years as Head Sheristadar Viz:

	years	months
In Vizagapatam	9	9
In Nellore	"	3
Total	10	"

As

As under the Rules passed by Government on 22d March 1816 he is now entitled to a Salary of Rs 437—8— per mensem, I beg leave to forward an application from him & beg leave to recommend that the increased grade of allowance be granted to him. Since Vamoogunty Venkatarow joined me he has given me full satisfaction & I have every reason to be pleased with my choice

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obt Servant
(Signed) G. A Smith
Collector

Nellore Collectors Office
5th January 1848.

No. 16

From
G. A Smith Esqre
Collector of Nellore

To
The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

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Para 3 My Sheristadar who is equally with myself included in this unwarranted attack

Nellore Collectors Office
10th June 1853

From F. B. Elton Esqre
Collector of Nellore

No 18

To W. H. Bayley Esqre
Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

In reply to Extract from the Proceedings of the Board dated 6th December 1852 calling upon the Collector to report upon the Conduct & general Character of the Head Sheristadar of this District with reference to his application for the increased rate of allowance I have the honor to inform the Board that having had time to form some judgment of the character & abilities of Vamoogunty Venkatarow I have much pleasure in stating that I consider him to be remarkably active & efficient considering his time× of Service & that I believe his character to be good I enclose Copies of Vamoogunty Venkatarow's Testimonials noted in the Margin he has referred to others in his Petition to the late Collector but these may be deemed sufficient & beg to recommend his application submitted with my Predecessor's letter× for the increased allowance to which he appears to be entitled under the Rules to the favorable Consideration of the Board.

I have &c.
(Signed) F. B. Elton
Collector

× 45 years

Testimonial granted by Mr. W. E. Arbuthnot Collr. & Agent. of Vizagapatam 16th January 1842.
Do. by Mr. Smollett 15th December 1843
Do. Do. 31st July 1847.
From Collector of Nellore to the Board of Revenue dated 1st July/47
Do. 19th November 1847.
Para 93 Jamabundy Report for Fusly 1257 — 31st October/48
From Do. to Do. 5th January/48 &c.

× dated 22d Nov. 1852.

No. 19 Mo. Vamoogunty Venkatarow Head Sheristadar of Nellore having applied to me for a Testimonial on the occasion of my departure on leave I beg to state that I have found him upright & industrious in the performace of his duties which at times have been very onerous during the past year.

(Signed) F. B. Elton
Collector of Nellore

Nellore
District Wojily
August 8th 1854

No. 168 Jamabundy Report
5th December 1854

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No. 20

Para 43 - I have much pleasure in recording under this Head, the high opinion entertained by Collector of both the Zeal & ability of Messrs Minchin & Forbes (then Head Assistant & Assistant Collectors) and which I am enabled to do from his having expressed to me to that effect on more than one occasion whilst I have likewise reason to believe him to have been perfectly satisfied with the Head Sheristadar Vamooguntty Venkatarow

(Signed) J. Rattliff
Ag. Collector

&c In the Jamabundy Report for Fusly 1264
dated 1st December 1855

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No. 21

Para 91 - In conclusion I beg to Report in the highest term on the conduct & efficiency of my Sub Collector Mr. Minchin & Head Assistant Mr. Morris the latter of whom on resuming charge of his Office after his return from leave has had charge of the Talooks of Ravoor & Caligherry & latterly of the Talook of Woodiagherry in addition in consequence of the 2nd Assistant Mr. Forbes being employed on other duty at Madras I have also derived advantage from the great experience of the Head Sheristadar Vamooguntty Venkatarow a Servant of very long standing & have experienced the most valuable aid from the Deputy Sheristadar Vembacum Ramaya lately appointed to that situation from the Chief Secretary's Office at Madras.

These remarks are of course hardly applicable to the year under Review during which I was almost absent from its commencement but are formed on subsequent Experience & my general knowledge of the parties referred to.

(Signed) T. B. Elton
Collector

To

The Collector of

Nellore &ca. &ca.

Humble Petition presented
by the undersigned Ryots
&ca. of this Zillah

We humbly beg to state that it is 28 years since Mr. Thompson the late Collector of this District sent for Vamoogunty Venkatarow Puntooloo the present Head Sheristadar of this Distt. from Cuddapah & appointed him Tahasildar of Talamunchy. He has settled the sookty disputes &ca. in that Talook which then existed between the Ryots & some Servants & on a due investigation between the parties realized the whole amount properly due to Circar & did good to the Ryots. Moreover a man named Inpakula Butchigadoo, his sons &ca. having collected a gang were committing

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committing heighnous crimes such as high:way robberies, Burglaries &ca. & the people were being oppressed when he apprehen them whereby the people were set at res After he became Tahasildar of Nello Talook he introduced peace into the Country by apprehending the wicked no only in this Talook but also, (as ordere by Mr. Whish) he apprehended the Marauders who were plundering by open violence in Choondy. Pamoor &ca. Talooks & he checked all other irregulari of a similar nature.

V. Vencatarow Puntool is well acquainted with Revenue & Maramut Affairs; For example While Mr. Ston:house was Collector in this District the embankment of the Pennar River for the Nellore Tank having burst the water was running out into the River & the Engineers found it impossible to stop it when he devised a kind of wooden beam work applied it to the breach which was 40 yards in lengt & so turned the water to the Tank & formed the bund substantially whereby it proved a benefit of 20,000 Rupees to the Circar & as much to the Ryots in consequence of which the Gentlemen & the Engineers were pleased & made known this circumstance to all the Talook officers of this District. After which the Gentlemen in the Board having been pleased sent him as Head Sherestadar of Vizagapatam. Subsequently Mr Smith the late Collector having sent for him as Head Sherestadar of this Zillah, he has been since 10 years transacting the Revenue business very justly both to the interest of the ruling authorities & to the welfare & entire benefit of all Ryots & people, with energy & ability. In proof of which we beg to state that during the period of 6 years he had been Tahasildar & 10 years as Head Sherestadar in this District the Ryots of this Zillah have never complained of any thing against him either to the Board or to the Collector Neither were there any irregularities committed in the performance of Circar affairs - By the Testimonials he possesses from

from the several Gentlemen it may be assumed that he — by his uprightness reasonably gained the popularity of all Ryots & that he conducted himself properly under several Gentlemen to the benefit of Government.

We are given to understand that the Board proposed to pension V. Vencatarow who is one of such a character and to stop him from his office and feel very sorry, we therefore beg to request as follows. -

As it would be safe & peaceful to us if V. Vencatarow is allowed to continue in service for some time more or so long as his strength permit him. we earnestly & humbly beg to request your honor to grant our request but should the Gentlemen intend that he ought to retire at once it would be just and proper that your honorable Government should take into your favorable consideration the long Services he had rendered during his course of Service and to grant him a Pension equal to his full Salary of 525 Rupees either in land or in money till his life time and to his descendants in a suitable amount which if granted would gratify him. By granting this we all of this District would be delighted Consequently we humbly crave that your honor's generosity would bring our prayer into your valuable Consideration and condescend to grant our request in his case & to forward this Mahazhar supported by your recommendation to the Government; & pardon us for the intrusion

19th August 1857 — (Signed) by three hundred and thirty four Ryots & others. —

(True translation)

To.

To The Collector in the Zillah of Nellore

Humble Petition of the inhabitants of Nellore town

During the time Vamoogunty Vencatarow Puntooloo has been Tehasildar & Head of Police of Nellore Talook from 1832 some wicked men sprinkled the blood of a pig on the Eadagal a Mosque situated in Sunjeevarowpett when the Mahomedans of this town &c. with the impression that it was done to insult their religion collected in crowds & raised a disturbance. The Mer[illegible]ts & Ryots shut up their shops & houses hearing that the destitute people were to plunder houses & thus while there was a general disturbance this Vencatarow without fearing for his life entered into the mob & thro' his ability & skill checked the disturbance apprehended the suspected men committed them to the Court & established peace to all.

2 In the same year there having been a severe famine a large quantity of Paddy was being brought from Totapully Goodoor &c. to Nellore some wicked Pariahs &c. combined in a gang & armed with weapons attacked the

Nawabpett Merchants who were bringing the Corn & robbed them; Vencatarow being of a bold character took a few Peons with him entered the crowd & by his skill apprehended about 60 or 70 Criminals together with the stolen property & forwarded them to the Court where they were tried & sentenced to 12 years imprisonment - which has not only proved for the good of the Merchants but also produced peace to people so that there may not be any such Robberies &ca. either in the Town & Talooks.

3 On the grand procession of "Garoodasava" in the Runganaikswamy's festival some Pariahs &ca. wicked men Combined & raised a tumult to obstruct the procession when many people of the town collected & created a row He then put that struggle down & the procession was carried on as usual without any trouble - whereby all the people were pleased -

4 In the same year there being a severe famine a multitude of about 10,000 men accumulated in this Town from Guntoor &ca. when the then Collector Mr. Whish appointed him to feed them from funds furnished by Circar - This Vencatarow Puntooloo distributed food for these 10000 men according to the rights of their religion without creating any disturbance - He also caused those men that were strong to dig a channel from a Madoogoo in the Pennar to the Ditch in the Fort & to remove the mud that it was filled with whereby the people of the Town got water into their Wells - By doing so the people were preserved through his exertions & the inhabitants of Nellore feel no inconvenience for water in their Wells to this day -

5 With regard to his attempt in preserving the Nellore Tank when the embankment in Pennar River was breached the people of this Country ha[illegible]lready subscribed a separate Mahajurnamah together with some other circumstances -

6 Thus the inhabitants of this Town & Talook were comforted & received much benefit from the service of E. Vencatarow Puntooloo while Tahasildar & Head of Police - Since the 10 years he has been Head Shr. of this District he has managed the affairs with uprightness to the interest of Circar & to the benefit of the Ryots, Zemindars Enamdars, Merchants &ca. so that there may not be any complaints whatever to the Circar.

We now hear that he has been ordered to retire on pension. As Vencatarow Puntooloo is possessed of a large family we beg to pray that he may be continued in his office so long as his bodily strength will admit but if the authorities should not allow this we would urgently request your honor that his full salary of 525 Rs. per mensem may be granted to him either in money or in land & to his descendants & they be protected. For which act of benevolence we all will praise your honor's generosity.

We further beg that you will forward this Mahajurnamah to Government supported by your favorable recommendation.

(True Translation)

19th August 1857 } /signed/ by Two hundred & twenty nine individuals of the Nellore town.

(True Copies & Translations)

Acting Collector

In a letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore dated 15th September 1857 No. 29.

No. 3

Copies of Testimonials &c. granted to V. Vencatarow Head Sheristadar of Nellore.

S.P./1857/90

D. No. 412.

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Statement explaining the discrepancies between the service list pres
from other Districts as also the periods he was out of Employ.

Districts	Employments	Period as per List presented with the application			Period as per Lists &c. received from other Districts				Exp
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Madras	Goomastah in the Revenue Board	"	5	27	- - -	- - -	- - -		another's si only the na
Ganjam	Salt Goomastah	1	2	10					
Bellary	Court Goomastah of Codicondah	1	5	19	- - -	- - -	- - -	A	The Sub J in Decem records ben name, I bee and receipt Wenkatrow In the event of the Acco
	Hoozoor Goomastah of the Collector's Cutchery	1	1	"	1	1		B	The Collect granted to
Trichinopolly	Hoozoor Goomastah	1	"	26	1	2	9		place to acc I stated,
	Peishcar of Sreerangam Pagodah	"	1	2	"	"	"	C	This is not dispensed
	Do. Without Employ	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -		I have an o Mazoomdar
	Hoozoor Goomastah	"	7	26	"	1	5		The list r difference
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	Do. of Ayaloor or Moosiry	"	4	2	1	1	"		Collector's
	Acting Tahsildar of Do.	"	2	25	"	2	13		to the Zem
	Employed in the Ranjanagody Zamindary attached to Waligondapooram Tallook	1	3	24	1	4	2		Runjan ag
	Mazoomdar of Waligondapooram Tallook	1	7	13	"	11	7	E	I obtained with sickn 3 months my memory as stated be as to when
						8	6		

Districts	Employments	Period as per list presented with the application			Period as per Lists &c. received from other Districts			Explanation
	Employed in the Zemindary of Ranjangady	3	8	"	. .	.	. .	I entered in the Zamindary service again which would be shown by the Records.
Cuddapah	Tahsildar of Chunnoor Talook	2	1	12	1	11	D 9	It is stated in the Cuddapah list that I was dismissed for M 2 - D 3 I was not dismissed at all, but was under trial in the Hoozoor during that period, and having been found innocent was restored to my Office of Tahsildar and I have orders with me to that effect.
Nellore	Without employ from the Tahseldarship of Survapally Talook	1	"	3	1	"	3 G	On the 2d day of his arrival here as Collector Mr. Stonhouse dismissed me without a Cause from my Office. I appealed to the Revenue Board, who having found me innocent after some correspondence to the Collector ordered the restoration of my Office by Proceedings dated 21st December 1835; by which it is clear that I was innocent. Mr. Stonhouse promised me the first vacancy of Tahsildarship and accordingly appointed me as Tahsildar. The delay is owing to no vacancies of the kind having taken place during this period. The Board's last order to appoint me as Tahsildar was received 8 months after my dismissal.
	Do. Do. from that of Nellore Talook	"	3	17	"	3	17	Having resigned my place, I was waiting in the Revenue Board for the Head Sheristadar Office of Vizagapatam, which I succeeded within this period.

N. B. The time of my early services in Billary, Codiconda, and Trichinopolly being of a remote period I consider the discrepancies appear partly owing to the Records in that period not being kept regularly arranged and partly by mentioning some on my memory and these would be rectified on a reference to the Records of the Accountant General and those of Civil Auditor Offices

Nellore
20th July 1857.

(Signed) V. Venkatrow
Head Sheristadar

To,

nted with the Head Sheristadar's application and those received

lanation.

as not made to these places. I having served by part payment out of
uation as was the practice till of late in this District also; I think
ne of the other individual may have perhaps been in the Records.

dge of Bellary states that the Court commenced in April 1806 & ended
e 1807 that during which period my name was not to be found in the
I wish to know whether the Monjabita was not to be found, or only my
ieve that on an attentive search for the Moinzabita or monthly Baravards
s of pay, my name would be found as Vamooganty Venkatrow or Heemban
I recollect that some of the Records were sent to Cuddapah Zillah Court.
of its not forthcoming there also; it may be ascertained from the Records
ntant General and Civil Auditor's Offices; a reference should be made.
r having mentioned that I was dismissed I referred to the Original Testimonial
e by Mr. Gahagan the late Collector whereby it is clear that I have resigned my
ompany my father to Ganjam.
from my memory but the Document received from the Collector may be correct.
mentioned by the Collector; but I have Hookooms for having held and
with this situation.
der that if I would not like to go back to my former place of Vellecully
I may wait for a next vacancy.
eceived shows a greater period as without Employ, but I recollect the
may be in days and not for months reference should therefore be made.
ated from my memory and per some Hookooms with me but as the
List is prepared on a reference to Office Records I attribute the difference
indary service which the Collector partly admits, in the Zemindary of
ady.
leave of absence for 3 months to proceed to Trippaty; having been attacked
ss & could not join the place, but the then Collector having waited for me for
ore appointed another person to my Office which is also evident by his letter but
tells me that I was dismissed on that account in January 1820 & in
the Collector therefore the [illegible] in January 1820 & [illegible]

To

G. N. Taylor Esquire

Acting Collector of Nellore

Honored Sir

With reference to your honor's Memo=
calling forth any observations on the li
of my Services as prepared by ascertaining
from the Collectors of other Districts I
respectfully beg to state that I have
presented a Statement on the 20th July
explaining the discripancies between th
Service List I presented with the applicat
& those received from the Districts & beg
to state further as follows

2 My early service in Codicondah
is not entered in the list prepared by the
Deputy Accountant I entered the Service
in that Court since its commencement & left
when it was abolished; the explanation
A in my Statement details it.

I resigned my place of Hoozoor Goomastah in Bellary. Explanation B shows apparently that I resigned. Remark 1st in the list

Explanation C answers this Remark as out of Employ in Trichinopoly. Remark 2d

Explanation D shows that I was employed in the Runjanagary Zamindary Service attached to Voligoondapurum Talook. " 3d

Explanation E shows that I obtained leave from the Collector of Trichinopoly. " 4th Further the Collector of Trichinopoly states the only designation used in the Records is Cubum Venkatarow but I beg to state it is a general practice in that District to address many without house name & a Similar practice prevails in Cuddapah Bellary &ca & for some persons by the name of their Village. It is true that I was designated so although my house name is Vamoogunty but Mr. G. F. Travers the then Collector of Trichinopoly having been Sub Collector in Cumbum & known me while

while I was there used to call me Cumbum Venkatarow in order to distinguish me from three other individuals who bore the Same name. I am son of Vamoogunty Ramdoss Puntooloo; both my father & myself having served in the same District & Subscribed for the Native pension fund I had lately to ask the Collector of Trichinopoly to refund the same to me when I showed him that I was designated Cumbum Venkatarow he then made the required Examination & paid me the native pension fund both of my father & myself (although I was designated Cumbum Venkatarow) through the Collector of Nellore I beg to enclose the same Application for inspection

Remark 5 Explanation F shows that I was under trial & restored to my Office in Cuddapah.

Remark 6 Explanation G shows that the Board have pronounced me innocent & ordered the restoration of Tahasildarship by their Proceedings dated 21st December 1835.

Being thus pronounced by the higher Revenue Authorities quite innocent of the false Charges brought forward it would be a work of Superarrogation for me to now enter more into further details about it.

The next point to be noticed is the difference in the period of Services in the list given by myself & that ascertained from the Districts. I was employed in the Districts of Masulipatam Ganjam &ca & received portions of Salaries affixed to different Offices on account of which no reference was made to those Zillahs. The period of my Employment in the Zillah Court of Codicondah & that in Runjanagady Zamindary not being accounted for I beg to refer to my statement

dated

dated 20th July showing the different causes for the descrepancies.

I have already given a Memorandum with my Application in full the meritorious Services I have rendered to the State both in Revenue & Police duties in apprehending Sirdars or leaders of Gangs together with their Banditti & introducing peace into the Country & I request that your honor will kindly peruse the Records of this Collectorate to verify the facts alluded to in my Memorandum dated 4th April 1857.

I also beg to forward the original Testimonials, Hookooms &ca on the Subject together with a list.

As the original Mahajharnamah of the people of Vizagapatam was in the Collectors Office there I presented a Copy of it with my Application. Subsequently Mr. Smollett having forwarded me a public Copy of it on my request I beg to annex the same together with his Hookoom The People of this District & the Nellore Town prepared Mahazharnamahs about my Conduct & presented the same to your honor I therefore request you will be pleased to bring them all into your valuable Consideration & to favor me with public Copies of them both.

I requested Mr. Elton to take my efficient services into his favorable consideration & to allow me a higher rate of Pension & on his permission I recorded that request in my Memorandum

I, now beg to take the liberty of repeating the request to your honor & pray that you will make me an exception to the ordinary Rules; as was allowed in the cases of the different Sheristadars mentioned in my former Memorandum; Subsequently the present Collector of Bellary having taken into his favorable Consideration the valuable services rendered to the State by

by his Head Sheristadar Srikacuntarow recommended a Pension of his full salary of 700 Rs. during his life time, half of which amount to his son & a moiety of that sum to his Grand Son: the Government were kind enough to support the Collector's recommendations. The Honorable Court of Directors have been pleased to sanction the said rates to himself & to his two succeeding Descendants I therefore humbly beg to make me an exception to the ordinary Rules in the above manner & to recommend me to a similar pension as prayed for in my former Memorandum as I have rendered faithful services to the Honorable Company in several Districts I shall then with all my heart & pleasure retire although my step of drawing the highest grade of 700 Rs. is quite at hand.

I beg to remain Honored Sir
Your Most Obt. Servant
(Signed) Venkatarow
Head Sheristadar

Nellore
20th August
1857.

(True Copies)

Ag. Collector. —

Compd.

In a letter from the Asst. Collector of Nellore dated 15th September 1857 No. 29

No. 6

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Memo: of Hd. Shr. ex-plaining the difference between the service list presented by him & that prepared from offl. records.—

P. P. /1857/ D
No. 412

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L. No. 4172/57
Novr.

Memorandum shewing the services of Vamooguntty Vencatarow Head Shiristadar in the Nellore Zillah prepared with reference to the pay Abstracts & other papers on the Records of the Collector's Offices at Nellore, Bellary, Trichinopoly, Cuddapah & Vizagapatam

	Years	M.	D.
Goomastah in the Collector's Office at Bellary from 22d. March 1808 to 20th. April 1809 on a salary of 17½ Rs. Pr. Mensem	1	"	29.
The Collector of Bellary at first stated that the order dispensing with his services was not forthcoming on the Records but that it appeared from the April list of 1809 that he was dismissed from Office but from what cause was not known— on which a certificate given to V. Vencatarow by F. Gahgan Esqre dated 20th. April 1809 in which it is stated that he was permitted to resign as he was desirous of accompanying his father to Ganjam was forwarded to the Collector of Bellary to which he replied that the date up to which V. Vencatarow drew his salary could not be ascertained from the Records—			
The Head Shiristadar represents that he was a goomastah in the Court at Codicondah in Bellary for ~~1. 5. 19~~ Y. M. D. 1-5-19 from 13th. July 1806 to the end of December 1807 that if an attentive search be made in the Moyen Zabitas or Monthly Baravurds & of his receipts his name would be found as Vamooguntty	1-5-19		
Carried forward	1	"	29

		Years	M	D
Brought forward.		1	..	29.

Vencatarow that he recollects some of the Records were sent to Cuddapah Zillah Court & in the event of its not being forthcoming it may be ascertained from the Records of the Accountant General & Civil Auditors Office but the Acting Sub Judge of Bellary reported that the Diary of the late Zillah Court does not extend so far back as the 13th.. July 1806; that it commences from the Month of April 1807 from which time up to the end of December of the same year the name of Vamooguntу Vencatarow does not appear.

Hoozoor Goomastah at Trichinopoly from 7th.. September 1810 to 15th.. November 1811 on a salary of 17½ Rs.. . . . . . 1 – 2 . 9

Mazoomdar of Vettycutty Talook in the Zillah of Trichinopoly from 16th.. November 1811 to 2d.. April 1812 on a salary of Rs.. 24-8 .. . . – 4 - 17.

Out of employ from 3d.. April to 31st.. December 1812 from illness as stated in an order sent to the Treasurer dated 2d.. April 1812 – But the Head Shiristadar produced two Takeeds signed by G. F. Travers from which it appears that he was appointed by him as Acting Peishcar of Sreerungum Pagoda which he held from 3d.. April to 24th.. May 1812 & that if indisposition prevented

		Years	M	D
Carried forward	1 - 6 . 26	1	..	29

		Years	M	D
Brought forward	1 - 6 . 26	1	..	29

him going back to Vettycutty he Could wait till a vacancy occurred –

Hoozoor Goomastah at Trichinopoly from 1st.. January to 5th.. February 1813 on a salary of Rs.. 17-8 – .. .. – 1 – 5

Mazoomdar of Laulgady in Do.. District from 6th.. February 1813 to 15th.. August 1814 on a salary of Rs.. 28 . . . . 1 – 6 - 10

Arealoor Mazoomdar in Do.. of Do.. from 16th.. August 1814 to 22d.. September 1815 on a salary of Rs.. 28 . . . . 1 – 1 - 7

Moosiry Mazoomdar in Do.. from 23d.. September 1815 to 19th.. July 1816 on a salary of 21 Rs.. . . . . – 9 . 27.

Do.. Tahasildar in Do.. of Do.. from 20th.. July to 2d.. October 1816 on a salary of 70 Rs.. .. – 2 - 13

The Collector of Trichinopoly states that he was employed under the Zemindar of Runganagady in the South Arcot District from 3d.. October 1816 to 5th.. February 1818 but the Collector of South Arcot states that he cannot find from the Records that V. Vencatarow was ever Manager of the Runganagady Jagheer

		Years	M	D
Carried forward	5 - 3 . 28	1	..	29

	Years	M	D
Brought forward 5 - 3 · 28	1	"	29
but that it is possible that he may have been so in Trichinopoly where the greater portion of the Estate is situated or that he may have been Manager under the Jagheerdar Mazoomdar of Voligoondapoorum in Do. of Do. from 6th February 1818 to 12th Jany 1819 on a salary of 21 Rs. . . " — 11 - 7	6	3	5

Out of employ from 13th January 1819 to 15th January 1824 having been dismissed by the Collector of Trichinopoly for having overstayed his leave for a period of 3 Months - Vamoogunty Vencatarow states that he used to be designated as Cumbum Vencatarow & some times as Vamoogunty Vencatarow while at Trichinopoly as he went from Cumbum but the Collector of Trichinopoly states that the only designation used in the Public Records is Cumbum Vencatarow.

The Head Sheristadar however when claiming some Native fund Pension in 1849 represented to the Collector of Trichinopoly that he used to be called Cumbum Vencatarow & the Collector permitted the Pension of his father & himself to be paid to his brothers & himself -

Carried forward	7	4	4

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	Years	M	D
Brought forward	7	4	4
Hoozoor Goomastah in Cuddapah District from 16th January 1824 to 23d January 1828 on a salary of 21 Rs. . . . 4 " 8			
Tahasildar of Chennoor Talook in the Zillah of Do. from 24th January 1828 to 28th June 1829 on a salary of Rs. 100 √ - - - - 1 - 5 - 5			
Suspended from the above situation as per order No. 714 reason not given in the order - From other Records it appears that he was suspended on a complaint of concealment of cultivation in the Village of Goodoorpolempully & restored to his office after Enquiry.			
Tahasildar of Do. from 1st September 1829 to 14th March 1830 on a salary of 100 Rs. √ " - 6 - 14			
Mazoomdar of Camalapoorum Talook of Do. from 15th March to 19th October 1830 on a salary of 40 Rs. √ - - - - " - 7 - 6	6	7	3.
Tahasildar of Talamunchy in the Zillah of Nellore from 20 October 1830 to 27th February 1832 on a salary of 120 Rs. ꝑ Month . √ - - - 1 - 4 - 9			
Do. of Nellore of Do. from 28th February 1832 to 21st November 1834 on a salary of 140 Rs. - - - - 2 - 9 - 1			
Do. of Survapully in Do. from 22d November 1834 to 2d April 1835 on a salary of 120 Rs. - - - " - 4 - 11			
Carried forward 4 - 5 - 21	13	11	7

	Years	M	D
Brought forward 4 - 5 - 21	13	11	7.
Dismissed by F. V. Stonhouse Esqr. & out of employ from 3d. April 1835 to 6th. April 1836. after which he was reappointed as the Board of Revenue in a letter dated 21st. Decr. 1835 stated that the reasons assigned for his dismissal were insufficient & directed his reemployment in an office of equal rank on the occasion of a vacancy occurring.			
Tahasildar of Ravoor Talook of Do. from 7th. April to 3d. July 1836 on a salary of 100 Rs. . . " – 2 - 27			
Do. of Survapully Talook of Do. from 4th. July to 14th. September 1836 on a salary of 120 Rs. ✓ - - - - - - - - . " – 2 - 12			
Do. of Nellore Talook from 15th. September 1836 to 13th. June 1837 on a salary of 140 Rs. " – 8 - 29	5	7	29
Resigned & went to Madras to procure the Head Shiristadar's office at Vizagapatam			
Head Shiristadar of Vizagapatam from 1st. November 1837 to 30th. April 1843 on a salary of 210 Rs. ✓ . . 5 - 6 - "			
Do. from 1st. May 1843 to 31st. July 1847 on a salary of 245 Rs. ✓ - - - - . . . 4 - 3 - "	9	9	"
Carried forward –	29.	4	6

	Years	M	D
Brought forward . .	29	4	6
The Collector of Vizagapatam states that besides the above salary he used to draw 70 Rs. a Month from the funds of the Vizianagarum Zemindary when under the Collr's Management			
Head Shiristadar of Nellore from 1st. to 27th. August 1847 on a salary of 280 Rs. ✓ - - - . . . " – " – 27			
Do. from 28th. Augt. to the end of October 1847 on a salary of 350 Rs. ✓ - - - " – 2 · 4			
Do. from 1st. November 1847 to the end of October 1852 on a salary of Rs. 437½ ✓ . . 5 – " – "			
Do. from 1st. November 1852 to 31st. October 1857 on a salary of 525 Rs. ✓ . 5 – " "	10	3	1
	39	7	7

Nellore
Collr's Office
15th. September 1857

Acting Collector

Exd. J.W.

In a letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore dated 15th September 1857 No. 29.

No 5

Memorandum shewing the services of V. Vencatarow Head Sheristadar of Nellore

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In No 417 2/57
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Nellore Collectors Office
15th September 1857

No. 29.

From

G. A. Taylor Esqr.
Acting Collector of Nellore

To

E. Maltby Esquire
Acting Chief Secretary to Government Fort St. George

Sir

1. With reference to the rules for Superannuation pension of the 15th May 1851 & the order of Government dated 21st July 1854 I have the honor to submit for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council Copy of an application from the Head Sheristadar of this District Vamoogunty Venkatarow for a Superannuation or good Service Pension together with a Register of his Services. — Copies of Testimonials &ca granted to V. Venkatarow & of a Memorandum furnished by him detailing the Services rendered by him are also sent.

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2 V. Venkatarow is 67 years & 6 Months old & has served Government for 39 years 7 Months & 7 days as per Memorandum of his Services Enclosed which is borne out by the Records of my Office & those of the other Collectorates in which he served. He wishes to Reside at Nellore & to draw his pension from the Treasury of this Zillah Commencing from the 1st November 1857.

3 The period that V Venkatarow was dismissed Vizt from the 3d April 1835 to the 6th April 1836, cannot I presume be brought under the operation of the order of Government dated 27th November 1855 inasmuch as the Board of Revenue in their letter of the 21st December 1835 ruled that the reasons assigned for his dismissal were insufficient & directed his reemployment in an Office of Equal Rank on the occasion of a vacancy occurring. He was also subsequently i.e, two years afterwards promoted by the Board to the Office of Head Sheristadar

1857. in Vizagapatam at a period moreover when as the Government are aware that District was in a State of unusual disturbance & immediately subsequent to the Murder of his predecessor Custury Appiah.. V. Venkatarow was Head Sheristadar of that District for 10 years & has now completed a Similar period of Service in this District

4 As the lengthened period of his Service extends beyond 35 years a Medical Certificate of bodily infirmity &c is unnecessary in Venkatarow's Case. The pay of his Office is Rs 525 per mensem & the average salary for the last 5 years is Rupees 525.— Had he completed 10 years Service in the grade of Tahaseldar instead of about 8, he would have drawn 700 Rs a Month for the last 2 years & a half

5 Owing to my short acquaintance with V. Venkatarow & to the temporary

position which I occupy in this District I feel myself precluded from making any definite recommendation in regard to the amount of his pension; but V. Venkatarow claims for himself it will be seen far greater consideration from the Government than is involved in the grant of a pension of one half of his average salary. If the value of his services is to be estimated by the length of time during which he has held Government Employ, (nearly 50 years) & by the high Testimonials he possesses from Gentlemen under whose administration he had occasion to display unusual energy & ability, then it appears to me that his case might be treated as a special one & that he is deserving of more than the ordinary mark of Government bounty.

6 The recognition of important services rests however with the Government & it is for them to determine in what light the case of V. Venkatarow should be regarded.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obdt. Servant

Ag. Collector

Separate
Public 1857 Depu
From the Ag. Collector of
Nellore
To the Ag. Chief Secy.
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 15th. Septr. 1857
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Enclosures Six

In No. 4172/57.
Inbox Novr.

Forwarding application &c. of Vurmogunty Vencatarow's Hd. Str. of this Dt. for a superannuation pension.—

Sep: Exc: No. 293

Pension
No. 18.
Enclo. Six

Forwarded to the Civil Auditor for the usual verification.

Fort St. George
20th. September
1857

D. F. Carmichael
Dy Secy to Govt.

To
The Civil Auditor

Rec 21/9/57
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of an application for a Superannuation Pension from the [illegible]ablishment of the Collector of Nellore preferred under the rules passed by Government under date the 15th May 1851

Name of the person by whom the pension is applied for with the name of his father	Number of the Establishment	Identification of applicant's person	Size: Feet	Size: Inches	Age of applicant at the time of application: Years	Months	Days	Religion, Caste or Tribe	Where residing: Province	Talook	Village	Present Employment	Total period of service: Years	Months	Applicant's Service continuous or not	How long unemployed and under what circumstances	Date of application to Government	Average salary or authorized official allowances per mensem for the five years preceding the date of application	Salary or authorized official allowance per mensem at the time of application	Abstract of the grounds of application	Remarks by the Head of office	Proposed amount of Pension per mensem, & date from which to commence	Treasury at which the party if pensioned wishes to draw his Pension	Order of Government
Vamooguntly Venkatarow son of Vamooguntly Ramadoss	4 of 1857	A Wart near the left temple one on the left Cheek & a mole on the right side of his nose	5	6½	67	6	"	Brahmin of Vishnu Sect.	Nellore	Nellore	Nellore	Head Sheristadar	39	7 7 days	Service not Continuous	Unemployed from 21st April 1809 to 6th September 1810 having resigned; from 3rd April to 31st December 1817 being indisposed; from 3rd October 1816 to 5th February 1818 being employed under the Zemindar of Vaijanagady; from 13th January 1819 to 15th January 1824 being dismissed for having overstayed his leave; from 29th June to 31st August 1829 being suspended pending an enquiry; from 3rd April 1835 to 6th April 1836 the reasons for which were overruled by the Board as being insufficient; & from 14th June to 31st October 1837 having resigned his situation. Vide notes attached to the Memorandum of Services.	15th Sept. 1857	525	525	Having served Government for upwards of 39 years and General conduct being good.	Vide preceding column.	Half of average salary is Rs. 262½ Vide Para 5 of letter. From 1st November 1857.	Nellore	

The Acting Collector has taken a Statement on Solemn affirmation from V. Venkatrow to the effect that he is 67 years and 6 months old, is moreover satisfied from personal inspection that he is in all probability as old as stated.

Nellore
Collector's Office
15th September 1857.

Acting Collector.

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PENSION DEPARTMENT.

No. 170

CIVIL AUDITOR'S OFFICE:
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
14th October 1857.

To

The Actg Chief Secretary to Government,
Civil Pension Department.

REPORT OF THE CIVIL AUDITOR.

THE CIVIL AUDITOR has the honor to report, that the authorized official allowance drawn by Vamosgority Vencataram, Head Serishtadar on the Establishment of the Collector of Nellore.

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262 ½ [illegible]

for the last five years is Rupees ×516-4-" per mensem and that his Service under the Government entitling him to pension embraces a period of ×33 Years, 4 months and 2 days, viz. from 16th January 1824 to 28th June 1829; from 1st September 1829 to 19th October 1830 from 26th October 1830 to 2nd April 1835, from 7th April 1836 to 13th June 1837 & from 1st November 1837 to 30th April 1857 up to which date only Returns from the Collector of Nellore have been received

× or up to 31st Octr/57 is Rs 525.

× or 33 years 10 months & 2 days up to 31st Octr 1857 the date of his retirement

2 The interval between 2nd April 1835 to 7th April 1836, during which Vencata Row was out of employ, having been dismissed, (altho' in excess of a year has not been considered to operate in depriving him of the privilege of reckoning his services rendered up to the former date, for reasons given in para 3 of Mr Taylors letter Viz: that the "Board "of Revenue ruled that the reasons assigned for his "dismissal were insufficient and directed his reemploy-"ment in an Office of equal rank on the occasion of a "vacancy occurring."

3. The service rendered by the applicant previous to 16th January 1824 is ineligible for Pension, in consequence of an interval of upwards of 5 years occurring between that date and that of his last holding Office viz 1st January 1819 and not 12th January 1820 as represented by Vencata Row in his Memo which forms No. 6 of the enclosures to Mr. Taylor's letter) the Cause of his being thrown out of employ being as explained in the Statement of Service his infringement of an Office Rule which involved his dismissal.

S. Lushington
Civil Auditor

Fort Saint George
Civil Audr. Office
14th October 1857

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Civil Auditor's Report

No. 474

From
The Civil Auditor

Dated 14th
Recd. 17th October 1857.
In No. 4172/57.
In Cons. Novr.

Reports on the Service of V. Vencut Row Head Sheristadar in the Estabt. of the Collector of Nellore.

Sep: Ex: No. 293

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Separate (Public) Dept.

No. 293.

E. M. C. D/21st October 1857

Read the following letter from the Actg. Colr. of Nellore. } Here enter No. 412 D/15th Sept/57.

Read also Report of the Civil Auditor -
(Here enter No. 474 D/14th October/57)

The Actg. Colr. forwards an application from Vamoogunty Vencut Row, head Sheristadar of the Nellore district, who prays to be allowed to retire from the service on full pay, or Rs. 525 per mensem. He further asks that two thirds of his stipend may be continued to his descendants for two generations.

2. The Govt. have perused the Sheristadar's own Petition and the copies of the various Certificates filed by him. The testimony borne to his merits is, as far as it goes, satisfactory, but does not appear to bear out the claims put in for extraordinary indulgence. Before deciding this question, however, the Govt. will be glad to have before them the opinion of the Board of Revenue on the general character of Vencut Row, and his application that the same consideration & favour may be shown to him as have been shown to the other Head Sheristadars he enumerates.

2. Resolved, meanwhile, to pass to V. Vencut Row the pension he is entitled to under the general rules, or Rs 262 „ 8 „ (two hundred & sixty two Rupees & annas eight) as certified by the Civil Auditor. Vencut Row's period of service eligible to count towards Pension is stated by the Civil Auditor to embrace Yrs 33 „ mos 10 and days 2. There is a break of 1 year and 5 days in 1835/36 owing to his dismissal from the post of Tahsildar by Mr Principal Collector Stonhouse. As the Bd of Revenue disallowed his sentence & directed that Vencut Row shd "be reemployed in an office of equal "rank on the occasion of a vacancy "occurring" the Govt concur with the Civil Auditor that no portion of Vencut Row's service was vitiated by the Collector's act.

3. Mr Taylor, in submitting his application, has not forwarded a Medical Certificate of incapacity. He is mistaken in supposing that it is not required in cases like the present, the general rule being that every application shall be so accompanied. Adverting however to the long service of 50 years rendered by the Sheristadar and to his advanced age, (he is on the verge of three score years & ten) & to his having already sent in his resignation, the Govt will not interrupt the arrangements that have been made or cause further delay in the matter. The usual Certificate of Pension, made payable from the 1st proxo, will therefore be at once issued.

16-10/57

Dy Secy to Govt

Copy To the Collector of Nellore with original & copy certificate 22nd Oct/57

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To The Board of Revenue. desp. 22nd Octr /57. Recd 25th Entd & Retd 27 Octr 1857.

" Civil Auditor desp. 28th with copy of Certificates Recd 30 Ent Retd 31 October 1857

" Public Department Entd [illegible]

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Ag Secy

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D. E. C.
1st Secy to Govt

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Public 1857 Department

No. 293

Extract

Dated 21st October 1857