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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 23

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Dated 18-6-35 1859

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Appendix B

I do hereby certify that I have carefully
examined Tolasingum Writer in the Clothing Board
Office and find that he is labouring under Hemiplegia
of the left side, not occasioned by intemperance or other
irregular habits, and that consequently he is no longer
fit for duty.

Madras
30th May 1848 }

Signed / J. Sanderson
Surgeon 3rd District

/ True Copy /

Tolasingum
late Writer Clothing Bd office.

Copy

To

The Honorable the Court of Directors
of the East India Company
The humble Memorial of
Solasingum, late a Writer
in the Clothing Board Office.

Respectfully Sheweth,

That your Memorialist begs most
respectfully to submit the following circumstances for the
favorable consideration of your Honorable Court with reference to
an Extract from your Honorable Court's Despatch dated 4th April
N^o 9 of 1849, conveyed in Minutes of Consultation N^o 197 under
date the 19th May of the same year:-

That as submitted in your Memorialist's
last application through the Secretary Clothing Board, your
Memorialist served in the Clothing Board Office for a period
of upwards of 22 years. In 1846, he was suddenly attacked with
Paralysis and from which he has been suffering ever since.

Having been declared unfit for further service by Dr. Sanderson
your Memorialist applied for a pension on the 30th May 1848
with the full conviction that it would be allowed by the
State. Contrary however to his expectations, your Honorable Court,
in the despatch above alluded to, observe that, "the grant of a
pension to an individual employed in the Clothing Board Office,
would

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would involve the anomaly of charging the state with the support of decayed servants, whose services had been paid from another source."

Your Memorialist begs to submit that though the expenses of the Clothing Board Establishment have been met by the Off Reckoning Fund, yet the employees in that Office always regarded their position similar to the Public servants employed in other Offices of Government and that their claims to pension after a protracted period of service would receive the same consideration as those of their more fortunate brethren.

That the object of establishing the Clothing Board, so far as your Memorialist understands was to see that the whole of the Army is supplied with proper Clothing. Government looked to the Board to secure a regular supply of Clothing to their Native Troops. Servants were therefore employed for such purpose who were, in reality, Government servants though paid out of a Fund raised by the orders of your Honorable Court and the disposal of which was left entirely under the orders of Government, so that in effect the labours of the incumbents of the Clothing Board Office, appear to your Memorialist just as those of any other Public Offices.

That it had been a practice up to the year 1851 to send for all sorts of Woollen Cloth to the credit of the state out of which the requisitions of the Fund and other wants were met. The Cloaks, Helmets, Bountty Clothing, Great Coats, Epaulettes

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Epaulettes, Bullions, Straps, Crests, Crowns, Gold and Silver lace, Badges, &c. have also been supplied to the Army at the expense of Government. These accounts have been kept by the incumbents of the Office for Government. The correspondence kept up with the several Officers Commanding the different Corps for the regular supply of Clothing was conducted in conformity to the orders of Government. In short, the Clothing Board in its operation was strictly guided by Government. While so, they must be fully aware of the labours of the incumbents of that Office both to the Off Reckoning Fund and the state.

That your Memorialist humbly submits whether the services rendered in the manner above described, are not similar to all other public service rendered to Government and as such deserving of their consideration for Pension.

In the event of your Honorable Court not being pleased to confer support to decayed servants of the State, merely because they had been paid from the Off Reckoning Fund, your Memorialist is induced to solicit a pensionary provision from the funds from which your humble Memorialist was paid and which he believes it can conveniently afford to bestow.

That the object of the Fund is first of all to secure a regular supply of Clothing to the whole Army and the balance after meeting that, and the expenses of the Establishment, is eventually apportioned to the Colonels of Regiments as a sort of remuneration for

for them in consideration of their length of service.

That the salaries allowed to the incumbents in the Clothing Department are indeed very low, comparing them to the other public Offices, the salary of the Deputy Manager being only 45 Rs. per month. Hence it may be concluded that your Memorialist must have had little or nothing to effect or saving as a provision for old age. In his own case, your Memorialist begs to state that he was taken in, as a Copyist in 1826 on a salary of 10 Rs. per month. In 1828, he was made a Store Writer with an addition of 10 Rupees to his salary. In 1832 another 5 Rs. were added to his salary. In 1838 he had another increase of Rs. 5 making his monthly income 30 Rupees.

That from the above Statement, it will be seen that your Memorialist was a Store Writer for the space of 18 years and had also charge of the Great Coats, the property of Government, and as such that his services were mostly to the state.

That the duties connected with the Off. Reckoning Fund are indeed too numerous and of a very varied character, because it was no easy matter to ensure a regular supply of Clothing to all ranks of the Madras Army, and to compute a Statement of the Fund for each year.

That your Memorialist begs to be allowed here to quote instances of pension being granted from the Civil Fund only about a few months ago. The accounts of this Fund cannot be

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be so complicated as that of the Off. Reckoning, there cannot exist that difficulty in preparing its accounts as only a certain number of Civil gentlemen subscribe to the Fund and a limited number are permitted to enjoy its benefits in the shape of Annuities. This fund is at the disposal of the Directors who regulate the affairs of the Fund. An incumbent employed in the Civil Fund Office for the space of 30 years having been rendered incapacitated for further active service, applied for a pension and the Directors liberally and kindly allowed him a pension. Another Writer of the Department having died after 10 years' service leaving a destitute widow to whom the Directors were also kind enough to allow a pension from the Fund with the understanding that she was only to draw it during her life time.

That in the case of the Off. Reckoning Fund the Government and the Honorable Court are in the place of the Directors from whose hands your Memorialist expects justice to be done in consideration of his helpless condition after service such as he has humbly rendered.

That there will be no objection to the Government and the Honorable Court authorizing your Memorialist's pension from the Fund on the score of such grants affecting disbursements to the Colonels, for such small provision as a pension to a subordinate servant cannot materially affect the receipts of the sharers of this Fund so as to make them feel any loss while a such provision will be conferred on a decayed servant of Government like your

Memorialist

Memorialist. Should any apprehension of this kind be entertained on the part of the Colonel it could easily be decided by a reference to them, whose generosity, your Memorialist confidently hopes will not work against the interest of a servant of your Memorialist's description.

That should your Honorable Court be not pleased to authorize your Memorialist's pension from the Off Reckoning Fund, he begs respectfully to still further point out that there is a sum of about Rupees 11,000 lying in the General Treasury unclaimed and unnoticed, from which also your Honorable Court might authorize a provision being safely made to poor, helpless, worn out and infirm incumbents of your Memorialist's description without any loss to the Off Reckoning Fund, to the State or to any individual.

That so far as your Memorialist has understood this Fund has been accumulating from the commencement of the Establishment, being the amount left unclaimed by deceased and deserted men, Sergeants or any ranks of a Regiment, which have been intended to be given to them as Compensation and Half Mounting in lieu of Clothing &c. While your Memorialist was in employ he understood that this Fund amounted to about Rs 7,000 and by this time he is in the firm belief that it must have come to the above amount and there will be an addition of certain sum every year.

That the Appendix marked A will show for what small amount of pension your Memorialist was recommended which will be found to be a very trifling sum on the whole amount of

of the Off Reckoning Fund

That if not from the above the authorities will yet see that a monthly allowance of your Memorialist's pension will bear no great proportion on the interest of the unclaimed accumulated Fund.

That in repetition of what your Memorialist above said, he begs to state that he is subject to a Paralytic stroke and consequently lost the entire use of his left leg and hand as will be seen by the accompanying copy of a certificate marked B. Your humble Memorialist's present deplorable situation can better be imagined than described by him. He is suffering from an impaired state of health; left without any provision to support him for the remainder or rather to render the remainder of his days Consolatory and Comfortable.

That under the afflicting circumstances of his case, your Memorialist begs most respectfully and earnestly to solicit your Honorable Court will be pleased to confer on him the small pension now sought for, if not from the state, at least from the Off Reckoning Fund or from the interest of the unclaimed Fund.

G. M. S.
1st Decr 1851

Original
Late M. S. Clothing Regt
True copy
Plusingum
Late M. S. Clothing Regt

Appendix A

Register of an application for a superannuation Pension from the Establishment of the Clothing Board Office preferred under the rules passed by Government under date 28th June 1831.

Number on the Establishment	Name of the party in whose favor the application is made	Indelible marks and other signs or natural defects.	Age of applicant at the time given of application. Caste or tribe.	Where residing	Prev. Total Date Average of salary or appl. authorized official or official : bonus for application : ment. per month the time of for this first application years passed : ing the date of application	Salary at authorized official or official : bonus for application : ment. per month the time of for this first application	Abstract of the : marks amount by the Pension : Head of Office Pension : ment.	Proposed amount at which the party if Pension : draw his Pension : ment.	Treasury Orders
3	Solaungum	Baralysis of the left side	5 5 1/2 45 years	Dist. District Taluk Taluk Taluk Taluk	Years Months 3 2 5 1848	30 " 19 "	19 "	8 12 5	Madras

Clothing Board Office
Fort St. George
19th June 1848

True Copy /
Johasungum
Late Writer Clothing Board Office

Signed John Macdougall
Secretary Clothing Board

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 292, of 7th October 1858, intimating that my application for a Superannuation pension has been rejected, on the grounds that I have no claims under the rules to a pension from Government, and, that as I have several sons in the public service, drawing in some cases high emoluments, I cannot be considered as destitute of the means of support.

Soliciting the permission of Government, again to submit my unhappy case for favorable consideration, I would respectfully observe.

That

14 That my claim for pension,
in my letter of the 3^d September last,
was based entirely on the fact of
certain individuals of the Clothing
Department, being in their old
age succeeded in obtaining this bounty
which is disbursed to them from a
very different source than that from
which the other pensioners of Govern-
ment are paid. On this point there-
fore, it remains for me, respectfully
to urge that although I may not be
deemed to have a claim under the
Pension Rules, which bear solely
on pensions paid from the coffers of
the State, yet that my claim for a
Pension from the particular source
indicated, may still be considered
to hold good, and to be fully as
strong as that of the more fortunate
individuals, who have sought and
obtained this bounty when rendered
incapable of service by old age
and infirmities. My case being
precisely

*From the amount
of unclaimed
sums on account
of compensation
+ Half mounting

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precisely the same, my claim, if I may
be permitted to use the expression, may
be said to be fully as valid in every
sense of the word. There is only one
point of difference between them
and me, that whilst the bounty
was freely accorded to them at
their time of need, it has been my
hard lot to struggle on for ten long
years of pain, misery and priva-
tion, and but for the succour in-
sufficient though it be extended
to me by my sons, I should have
been left utterly destitute, even of
the means of sustaining life.

2. With regard to the
circumstance of my having three
sons in the public service with
fair emoluments, I would beg to
submit that my sons are themselves
heads of families, and it is well
known that as such others besides
myself, to say nothing of their
offspring, have direct claims of
support

support on them. Thus then, their annu-
ments though fair, and liberal,
when considered as remuneration
of their services and labor, becomes
when viewed as an income for the
support of their families, to use
the word as it is understood among
Hindoo, inadequate, if not in-
sufficient. Thus then, if with
inadequate means, my sons have
hitherto supported me, a bed ridden
invalid racked with pain and
suffering, may I not hope at least
now that the sands of my life
may soon be expected to run out,
to obtain some little comforts which
in my helpless constitution I so ur-
-gently need.

Besides, Sir, I would re-
spectfully urge, that it is obvious
that a Superannuation pension is
not granted, or withheld according
to the circumstances or means of the
public

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public servant who is incapacitated
for further service. It is a boon to
him from a bountiful Government.
for faithful services rendered for a
prescribed period, entirely irrespective
of his own private means, or those
of his family and connections. If the
rule were carried out in every in-
-stance, would it not, I ask with
all deference involved the negation
of a Pension to many who under
the existing principle would be
fairly entitled to it.

Under these circumstances,
-ces, I am emboldened once more
to approach the Government,
and unhesitatingly, and urgently,
but with becoming deference,
plead for a reconsideration of
their orders, in the firm hope
that my Petition for a Super-
-annuation Pension, will not
again be rejected on the grounds

Yours
S. K.

set forth in the Extract Minutes of
Consultation above quoted, but
considerately granted after a
favorable review of the argu-
ments which I have above adduced.

I beg leave to remain,

Madras

4th December 1858

Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant

W. S. S. S.

Late Writer in the Clothing Board Office.

Public Department

Army Clothing Department, 80, Semboodoss Street,

Madras, 8th January 1859

No. 176

Memorandum

The Superintendent and Agent for Army Clothing has the honor to acknowledge the Deputy Secretary to Government's Memorandum of date 6th instant and to intimate that according to the usual mode of determining grants of Pension on the average amount of salary drawn during 5 previous years per performance of Office, Solasingum would be entitled to an allowance of Rupees 7. 13. 9 per mensem. Supposing he were admitted to the benefit of a pension. Solasingum was entertained in the late Clothing Board Office on 1st January 1826.

A. A. Hope Captain,

Superintt. & Agent for Army Clothing

To
The Deputy Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

÷ 60 = Sept 23. 9. 4
÷ 13th = Sept 7. 13. 9

Sept 14th 1859

X From September 1848 to September 1850 - 25 from the 1st Sept 30 per month - 750 -
From October 1846 to August 1849 35 months @ 21/- per month 735 -

Public DFC, 4/2-58

1827 of 1858 No. 558

My Son Solasingum

late Master in the late

ing Board Office.

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Paying for the
Receipt of Memorandum
Received.

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 Fort Saint George, General Messing.
 24th January 1859.

J. D. Rich Esq.
Ant. Weaver

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J. Poyer Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government.

Si,

In acknowledging the receipt of the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the (Separate) Public Department No. 23, under date the 18th Instant, making the Special Pension of Pipers 7.12⁰⁰ granted to Tolasingum, late a Kiter in the Clothing Board Office, payable from the General Treasury, I beg to solicit the attention of Government to my letter of the 18th June 1856, and to their Orders passed thereon; and to request, with reference thereto, that the Pension of Tolasingum may be made payable by the Superintendent and Agent for Army Clothing, who will draw the amount from the General Treasury on an Audited Abstract in the same manner as the Pensions granted to the two other Clerks referred to in the above Extract.

* Certificate, N^o 2225
herin enclosed.

I have the honor to be

Dr

Yours most Obedt Servt
S. S. Wick.

Ant Treasury

En C.A.

1837 Separate
Public Department
Dec 17
From the Department of Agent
for Army & Navy
The Dept. Secy. to Govt
Public Department
Fort St George
Calcutta
Dec 10 33 January 1837
Enclosed here
No. 196
Appointing Pension
Grantable to a Soldier and
a Soldier in the late British
Service Office.

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Ms. No. 2236 / 28/1/59

Separate

Public Department

No. 23

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Dated 18th January 1859

Read the following Papers

From Talasingum, late Writer
in the Clothing Board Office
Praying for a reconsideration of
the former orders of Government, and
requesting that a Superannuation Pen-
sion may be awarded to him.

Here entered 4th Decr
1858.

Memo: from the Superintendent
& Agent for Army Clothing.

" 8th January 1859

on the terms herein
specified,

Ld

No. 2225

at the General Treasury

In adherence to the orders
of Government dated 11th August
1858 No. 229, the Right Hono-
rable the Governor in Council
resolves to grant Talasingum,
late a Writer in the Clothing
Board Office, a special pension
of Rupees 7-12- being the one
third of his average salary for
the last five years of his service.
A Certificate will be
issued, making his pension
payable from the 18th August
1858, the date from which the
two other Clerks pensioned
from

Colarick
Feb. 1859 Depart

11th 22nd

Cochran M. C.

2/18 January 1859

from the same Office took
effect.

[Signature]
S. H. Samuel
Secy. to Govt.

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- Polasungum - late Auditor in the Clothing Board Office ^{with the Civil-Dept.} Dec. 19/1/59.
 - " The Superintendent & Agent for Army Clothing Dec. 19/1/59
 - " The Civil Auditor. Dec. 19/1/59. Recd 20th Dec. 21st Jan. 1859.
 - " The Accountant General Dec. 22/1/59. ^{Recd 24th Dec. 26th at 5th Mr.} } L. M. C. A.
 - " The Sub-Treasurer Dec. 19/1/59. with a copy of the Certificate.