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Government of Madras.

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Narrayan Row, has
officiated at several
times under the
Sub Collector of Madura
for many years.
He has given satisfaction
and he is an intelligent
and zealous public
servant

1st Jany 1833

No 164

Narrain Rowe.

In reply to your letter I am happy to say it is in my power to bear testimony to your worth and ability as a Revenue Officer. The best proof however of my good opinion will appear by my recommendation of you to the Board for the Sherestadar situation in the Sub Collector's office. And it will give me pleasure to know that you succeed to that appointment.

Yours very Truly

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March 1st. 1834.

Vembaukum 3
OP
2d March 1851

No 2

J.J

Narain Achee
~~Collectors~~ Office
Madura

Narrain Row,

As I shall very shortly be relieved from the duties of Acting Sub Collector of Madura, by the return of Mr. Lockhart, I take the present opportunity of expressing my sentiments regarding you, formed during the few months I have been acting in this District—

Your conduct, the great knowledge which you have of your business, and the zeal

which you have shewn
in performing it, have
given me the greatest
satisfaction, and I hope
shortly to hear that you
have gained that promotion,
which I really think you
merit; in the obtaining of
which, should this be of any
use to you, I shall be
most happy. —

Dundigul
10th Feby 1837

Your friend
T. Davidson
Col.

No 3

To Narrain Row
Head Revenue Jawabnuvees
Dindigul

Dindygul, 7th September 1844

Narrain Ras,

I am very glad to hear of your promotion by Mr Blackburne to the Tahsildaree of Meyloor Talook - At the same time I am sorry to lose you from my office - & I take this opportunity of informing you of the great satisfaction you have universally given me in the performance of your duties as [illegible] Hoping you will continue to exert yourself in the service of the Circar & meet the approbation of the Principal Collector & for your health & prosperity I remain

Your friend

L Davidson

Sub Collector

No 4

To M. A. A.
Harrain Esq
Dundee

To J Blackburne Esqr.

Principal Collector of Madura

Sir

The humble address of Narraina Row

Tahsildar of Mailoor Talook

I have served in this Zellah ever since 1821 being 24 years and 7 months, of that time till July 1833 I was Goomastah in the office of the Joint Magistrate for 2 years and Savobnavis of Do for 2 years, and Huzzoor Head Savabnavis in the Subordinate Cutcherry for 9 years and some months; and when the situation of Sheristadar in the Sub Collector's Cutcherry was vacant, the Sub Collector Mr Lockhart and the acting Principal Collr Mr Wroughton recommended me to the Board of Revenue for the same, under the date the 10th July 1833, to which the Board replied that they could not comply because I was not in the Sheristadars Department and the said Gentlemen two or three times wrote to the Board and appointed me

acting Sheristadar for 9 months, half of the pay of
which appointment your honor yourself afterwards
recommended to the Board and got me as per the
order of the Board of Revenue in 1835 I was after-
-wards Head Javabnavis, and then made Tahsil
of Nellacottay Tallook in 1840 and on the 7
September 1841 was appointed Tahsildar of the
Maeloor Tallook where I have been ever since being
upwards of 5 years, and my Conduct in which is known
to you - Thus have I been Tahsildar for 6 years and
served in the Magistrate's Office for 4 years and
been Revenue Head Javabnavis for 14 years making
a Total of 24 years service - I hold good Characters
from Mr Wroughton, Mr Vincash and Mr Davi
son four of which I herein inclose for your kind
inspection and to be pleased to return them -
Besides that Mr Lockhart made favorable

men

mention of me in the Jummabundy Report of Fusly 1243 – Consequently I humbly submit I have attained sufficient rank and have established sufficient claim for the office of Naib Sheristadar, which I hear is about to be vacant by the lamented death of Kristna Row and the promotion of Vissnu Row; and which I humbly venture and request might be bestowed upon me –

For which act of Justice & Consideration I shall as in duty bound Ever pray

Narraina Row

Madoor
24th January 1847.
Recd. 25th Jany JB

I return your petition with an assurance that you may, if you please, make it to my successor who will be named in a few days; & to whom all nominations in consequence of Kistna Rao's death will be left. I believe all you having advanced is correct.

J Blackburne
Pl Colr

Madura 26 January 1847

To

The acting Principal Collector
of Madura

Sir

W E Lockhart Act

I have the honor to Request that you will have the Goodness to Recommend for Sanction to the Board of Revenue that Narrayanarow Revenue Iauabnevies be Appointed to the Situation of Sheristadar in my Cutchery.

Having been so short a time in this District I can form no Correct opinion from my own experience of the merits of the Person I Propose but Judging from the length of time he has been employed in his Present Situation and the Satisfaction he appears to have given to his Superiors hitherto I feel Perfectly Confident that he is Competent to fulfil the duties of the Office Satisfactorily

I enclose his Petetion shewing his Previous Services and Copies of his Testimonials for the information of the Board,

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servant
Signed, W E Lockhart
acting Sub Collector

Madura Sellore
Sub Collectors Office
10th July 1833

To The President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I have the honor to submit a Recommendation from the Acting Sub Collector for the Consideration of the Board,

In doing so I beg to state the Person who has Obtained the Acting Sub Collectors Preference is in every Respect worthy of the Situation of Sheristadar;

His not having served as a Tahsildar can hardly be an Impediment for the reason that he has Conducted the duties of Head Revenue Canabueviz for eight years

From a three years Experience of his services and Excellent Conduct I confidently venture to support this application

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen
your most obedient servant
(Signed) J. C. Wroughton
Acting Principal Collector

Madura
10th July 1833.

To The Acting Principal
Collector of Madura

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that since my taking charge of this Office in July last my Revenue Canabuevies Maurryana, Ram

Narrayanarow whom I formerly Recommended to be Appointed sheristadar been Performing the dutees of that Department very much to my Satisfaction without any encrease to his Pay and I now beg that you will Obtain the Sanction of the Board that I may be Authorized to employ him As Acting sheristadar and that you will al so Recommend that the same Remuneration Vizt half the Salary of the Office may be granted to him for the time he has Performed the dutees of that Department As was given to the Head Goomastah under nearly Similar Circumstances by Sanction of Government in a letter dated 8th June 1822,

I am not at Present Prepared to Recommend any Other Person better qualified to fill the Appointment but my Attention shall be given to the Selection of One

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient Servant
,Signed, W E Lockhart
Acting Sub Collector.

Madura Sellore
5th December 1833.
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To The President and Members of the
Gentlemen. Board of Revenue.

I have the honor to forward Copy of a letter from the Acting Sub Collector under date the 5th instant and trust that the Temporary Arrangement Proposed by him will not be Objectionable

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servant
(Signed) J. C. Wroughton
Acting Principal Collector.

Madura.
the 11 December
1833.

To The Acting Principal Collector
of Madura.
Sir

As no reply has been received to my letter of the 5th December last soliciting the Sanction of the Board that Narrayanarow should be employed as Acting Sheristadar in my Office and that a Remuneration equivalent to half the Amount of the Salary should be granted to him for the Period he has already Performed the duties of that Department I have to request that you will be so good as to addreſs the Board again on the subject Pointing out the Neceſsity of my Cutcherry being made Complete as the Jummabundy is Just about to Commence Narrayanarow Continues to Performe the duties of the office with great Aſsiduity and Zeal and I think him well qualified and beg leave again to Recommend him for the Situation should the Board however still be disinclined to Confirm him in the Appointment I trust that they will not insist upon making any change till After the Annual Settlement is Concluded.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W E Lockhart
Acting Sub-Collector.

Madura Sellore
31st January 1834.

To The President and Members
of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I have the honor to forward a letter

from the Acting Sub Collector which I hope may meet with favorable Consideration

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

your most obedient Servant

(Signed) J. C. Wroughton

Acting Principal Collector.

(Signed) J. Blackburn

Principal Collector.

True Copy.

True Copies

W. Whitehurst

Madura.
1st September 1834

7/027 Claim Sheet

To

The Acting Principal Collector of
Madura

Sir

I am sorry to observe by your letter of the 29th July last that my Recommendation that Narrayana Row should be Appointed Sheristadar of my Cutcherry has not been approved of by the Board.

Since the receipt of your letter I have been enquiring As to the Eligibility of Several Persons and from all I hear I am induced to think that Ramakistna Pundit at Present Head Tahsildar of Shevagungah is well fitted for the office, a Person who besides having stood the test of my enquiries, has the additional Recommendation of being well known to yourself and of having received the Recorded approbation of the late Principal Collector.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W C Lockhart
Acting Sub Collector.

Madura Sellore
18th Sept 1833 -

True Copy

Asst

Extract from the Jummabundy Report of Fusly 1243.

I have the pleasure to bear testimony to the general state of Efficiency of my Cutcherry; the duties of the Duftar were conducted during the Fusly till the commencement of the settlement by my Sewahunnis Narain Row in a manner very creditable to his talents and Efficiency as a public servant.

(Signed) W. E. Lockhart
A. S. Collr.

(A True Extract)

Sub Collr.

No 33 Plain Sheets

To

The Principal Collector

of Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a Petition from the Revenue Serabunnis of my Office – Soliciting the pay and allowances for the time he acted and performed the duties of Subordinate Sheristadar – It appears he did so on the promotion of Bhaoajee Row under date the 1st of June 1833 – And that this arrangement was proposed by Mr. Lockhart and Sanctioned by me whilst I was in Charge of the District pending certain references which had been made to the Board on the Subject that he acted for nine Months and twenty one days until the arrival of Vencata Row the present Subordinate Sheristadar I am assured from the recorded opinion of Mr. Lockhart that he conducted the duties to that Gentleman's entire Satisfaction –

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I hope therefore that his claim may meet with consideration and that you will be pleased to recommend him to the Board in order that he may obtain the same allowance from his adventitious appointment as was granted under similar circumstances and recommended by Mr. Lockhart under date the 5th December 1833.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedt. St.
(Signed) L. W. Broughton
S. C.

Dindigul
21. Jany. 1835

(A True copy)

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Sub Collector

Revenue Department

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The Principal Collector of
Madura,

Sir

Para - 1st I Am Directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter dated the 10th instant Recommending that the nomination by the Acting Sub Collector of Narrayanarow to be Sheristadar of his Cutcherry be Confirmed -

2 It appears that this Individuals has been altogether 12 years in the Public Service out of which he has been employed for three years As Magistrates Jawabnewees and for the Rest of the time As a Revenue Jawabnewees in the Cutcherry of the Sub Collector

Magistrates Jawabnewis
from June 1822 to June 1825
3 years - - - -
Revenue
Jawabnewees - 9 years

As Narrayanarow Can Possess no Practical experience in the details of Revenue Management and has not even been employed in the Sheristadar Department the Board decline to Sanction his appointment as Sheristadar to the Sub Collr. and they request with reference to the Observations Contained in my letter of the 13th May last that Same Competent Person may be Selected for the Situation and the nomination with

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a statement of the services of the individuals be submitted for their consideration
I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient servant
(signed) R A Bannerman
Secretary

Revenue Board office
Fort Saint George
22d July 1833
Desp. 25 &c

(signed) J. C Wroughton
Acting Principal Collector

W Lockhart
Cy

Revenue Department

To J. Blackburne Esquire
Sir   Acting Principal Collector of
Madura

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of the Acting Principal Collectors letter under date the 11th December last submitting a Communication from the Acting Sub Collector again Recommending the Confirmation of the appointment of his Revenue Sawabnevies Narrayanarow as Sheristadar of his Cutcherry and Mr Wroughtons Subsequent letter dated the 1st instant enclosing a further address from Mr Lockhart Reurging the Confirmation of the Appointment.

The Board having already Recorded their Opinion that the length and nature of Services of this Individuals are not such as to qualify him for the situation of Sheristadar of the Sub Collr Cutcherry and having declined upon these grounds to Sanction the Appointment they are surprised that it should have again been urged by Mr Lockhart In Respect to the Request Contained in his letter dated the 31st ultimo that no change in the Present Arrengement under which the duties of Sheristadar are Performed by Narrayanarow may be made at least till after the Annual Settlement is Concluded the Board are Satisfied that it would not be for the Public interests that the settlement for the Current year should be Conducted under the Superintendence of so inexperienced a Person they have felt it their duty therefore under existing Circumstances to Provide for the exigency of the Public Service by the Appointment of a Person named Vencatarow to the Situation of Sub Collectors Sheristadar in your District Vencatarow has been directed to Proceed with all Practicable dispatch to Madura and upon his Arrival you will be Pleased to Place him in charge of the duties of the office

Revenue Board office
Fort St. George.
24th February 1834.
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I have the honor to be
Sir your most obedient Servants
Signed, R A Bannerman
Secretary
Signed, Blackburne
acting Pl. Collr.

To The Acting Sub Collr. of Madura

1861 Department

No 4 Enclosure in a letter
No 723
From The Collector of
Madura
To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George
Dated 18 Septr 1861
Recd

Original Testimonials
of Narayana
Row —

Revenue Department

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 24th July 1851

Read the following letter from the Collector of Madura dated 25th June 1851

(Here enter No. 65)

The Board of Revenue have attentively perused the decision of the Ag Head Assistant Collector of Madura in the matter of the defalcation in the Treasury of the Mélur Talug which accompanied the foregoing letter

2 The Board cannot but strongly condemn the conduct of the Tasildar of Malur in this matter. The circumstance of there being a difference in the weight of the bags was first reported to him on the 11th March 1851 nevertheless a formal examination was not made until the 25th Idem. This is accounted for by the absence of the Shroff at Madura, but the Tasildar

Tesildar does not seem to have adopted proper means to secure his immediate return. It appears also unaccountable how this officer could, after a report had been made to him of there being a probable deficiency in the Treasury, have ordered his subordinates to take out the bags of money, and lay them aside for his examination instead of this he ought himself to have been present when the sealed Box was opened. The consequence was, that his orders were disobeyed the examination commenced before his arrival and an opportunity was thus afforded the Shroffs to replace any sums which might have been deficient. The discovery of the defalcation moreover does not appear to have been reported to the Collector until the 3d April or 8 days after it had been made -

3 The Board of Revenue cannot pass unnoticed such gross dereliction of duty on the part of

an Officer holding so important
a post as that of Tosildar. In
Consideration, however, of his having
been acquitted of any concern in
the tampering with the public money &c
or of having been in any manner
cognizant of it, the Board will
leave it to the Collector to remove
him to another Talook of lower
emolument, or to suspend him for
a period not less than 6 Months
They likewise order the suspen=
=sion, or transfer to another Talook
of the Negathe Goomastah. The
Shroff & the Tallah will, under
the conviction of the Asst Head
Assistant Collector be dismisse
if the Collector has not alrea
removed them from the Publi
Service -

4 The Board observe
that the deficiency has been
recovered, and that the Collec
has adopted measures to rende
Custody of the Public Money
w

in the Talooks more secure
for the future.

(A true Extract)

(Signed) W. H. Bayley
Secretary.

To
R. D. Parker Esqre
Collector of Madura

(True Copy)

H Levinge
Collector

1861 Department
No 7 Enclosure
From the Collector
of Madura No 723
To the Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George
Dated 8 Septr 1861
Recd

Extract from the
Procgs of the Board
of Revenue dated
24 July 1861.

No. 65.

To

The Secretary to the Board of Rev
Fort Saint George

Sir,

With reference to the Boar letter of the 19th October 1815 I have the honor to forward Copy of a Decision by the Acting Head Ast. Collector under Regulation IX of 1822 which details the circumstances of a defalcation in the Treasury of the Malur Talug. The amount deficient has bee recovered, and I have circulated orde to render the Custody of the Public money in the Talooks more strict in future. The conduct of the Tahsildar leads me to suppose that he wished to avoid the necessity to bringing the case forward by allowing the defaulters an opportunity of replacing the money, and I think that a similar wish is the explanation of all that seems extraordinary in the behaviour of other of the Talook servants. The Tahsildar deserves, in my opinion, to be reduced to a lower paid

Talook, but this arrangement would be inconvenient.—

Signed/ R. D. Parker
Collector

Madura
25th June 1851

(True Copy)

Collector

1861 Department
No 6 Revenue Misc.
723
From
The Collector of Madura
To
The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George
Dated 18 Septr 1861
Recd.

Letter to the Board of Revenue dated 25 June 1851.

No 35

To

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St George.

Sir,

1 Under C O of the 3 August 1840 I have the honor to report my having removed Narain Raw Tasildar of Meyloor from that Talook to the lower paid Tasildary of Nelacottah in consequence of a persevering neglect of his Maramut duties for many years & the very unfavorable Reports of the Civil Engineer & Asst Surveyor Mason noted in the Margin partly confirmed by my own observation.

Capt Horsely Diary of Genl. Observations for November 1853 - Assistant Surveyor Mason's Diary of Examinations for Do.-

2 The general duties of a Tasildar in the Revenue & Police Departments in a large Talook consume so much time that it does not seem to me reasonable to expect him to

attend personally for any considerable time to see bunds rammed or roads spread but without doing this an earnest zealous servant, duly appreciating the importance of such works can evince such interest in them & excercise such a supervision as will infuse a proper spirit into the subordinates actually charged with the escecution & prevent gross neglects so constantly occurring as has been the case in the Meysoor Talook. When I visited Meysoor in November & December, I found road repairs going on in the immediate neighbourhood of the Town in the most scandulously negligent manner. He (Tasildar) had never paid the slightest attention to them, & when called on to explain answered in a tone which betrayed the greatest indifference.

3 Another most flagrant instance of neglect was his failure this year to furnish a list of Tanks to be estimated for, to Asst Surveyor Mason when examining works in the Talook. The consequence has been that time most valuable for repairs has been lost & I have been obliged to depute my Superintending Maistry to make estimates when I very much require him for duties of Superintendance & examination.

4 He seems to take a deep dislike to Maramut duties as subjecting him to more supervision than a haughty temper can bear. & I feel obliged to resort to the severe step now reported to prevent his bad example spreading among the other public servants.

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5 Being an experienced servant of good abilities his routine duties are tolerably well performed but when a little more exertion than usual is required he evinces the same neglect & indifferent temper as in Maramut - He was suspended for 6 months in 1851.

6 The Diary of the Civil Engineer has been submitted to the Board. Copy of that by Mr Mason is enclosed herein.

Madura (Signed) R. D. Parker
7 March 1854. Collector.

True Copy

Collector

1861 Department
No 8 Enclosure in a letter
From No 723
The Collector of
Madura
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George

Dated 18 Septr 1861
Recd

Letter to the Board
of Revenue reporting
the removal of —
Narainarow Tasildar
to a lower paid
Tasildary dated
7 March 1864

Revenue Department

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 23d March 1854.-

Read the following letter from the Collector of Madura dated 7th March 1854.-

(Here Enter No. 35)

The Board observe that their Circular order of 3d August 1840, does not refer to the transfer of Tahsildars from one Talook to another,ˣ the Collector need not therefore have submitted the above report.-

Notes 1 to 4
Book p. 292.

(A true Extract)
Signed W. H. Bayley
Secretary

To
R. D. Parker Esqre
Collector of Madura

(True Copy)

Collector

1861 Department
No 9 Enclosure in a letter
No 723
From
The Collector of
Madura
To
The Chief Secretary to
Government
Fort St George

Dated 18th Septr 1861
Recd

Extract from the
Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue
dated 23 March
1854.

(Translation)

No 53.

Order issued by R D Parker Esqr. Collector of Madura, to Narraina Raw Tasildar of Nellacottah Talook.

I learnt, with pleasure, from your Urzee numbered 57 that you duly collected the whole revenue of the Talook, according to the Jumabundy of Fusly 1264 & remitted it within the 25th of June (Ultimo). As from this it appears you are performing your immediate & customary duties with diligence and fidelity, you have proved yourself entitled to a promotion at the next opportunity.

(Sd.) R D Parker.
Collector

Madura
2d July 1855

(True Translation)

Collector

1861 Department
No 10 Enclosure in a letter
from
No 723

The Collector of
Madura

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George

Dated 18th Septr 1861
Recd.

Translation of an
order of the Collector
to Tasildar Narain
Raw. dated 2 July
1855.

No. 4,559.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 20th August 1861.

Read the following letter from V. H. LEVINGE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated 26th July 1861, No. 187 :—

1. With reference to my letter, No. 126, dated the 6th May 1861, and the Proceedings thereon of the Board of Revenue, No. 2,984, dated the 7th June, I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Board that the revenue arrears in the Tirumangalam Taluk amount to Rupees 41,000, and that I attribute the same to the inactivity of the Tahsildar, and to his inability to fill the post of Tahsildar through age.

2. I directed him to appear before the Zillah Surgeon to ascertain his opinion of the man's physical capabilities and the state of his health ; the Doctor's opinion was that the Tahsildar was not labouring under any illness, and that he thought him for his age an active wiry man ; there is therefore no reason for his inactivity and neglect of his duty.

3. His age is 60 years, and his service 46 years. I would therefore recommend his being pensioned, as I consider his retention of his post detrimental to Government interests and a bad example to other officials, were it not that I am obliged to bring forward the following case of misconduct which requires that serious notice be taken of it by the Board.

4. On the 10th June, the Tirumangalam Taluk Head Shroff being about to go to Madura had to make over charge to his Deputy. The cash was in charge of the Head Shroff, who read out the chitta containing the particulars of coins to the Deputy Shroff who counted the money and found it all right.

5. Next morning the Head Shroff was seen by the Deputy in the Kachari, writing a new paper which he put in the box in which the Shroffs keep their accounts, and he was seen tearing up a piece of paper which he threw away ; the Head Shroff then left the Kachari.

6. At business hour the Deputy Shroff when comparing the accounts and cash found that there was a deficiency of 150 quarter Rupees or 37½ whole Rupees ; whereupon suspecting the Head Shroff he looked amongst the waste papers and found the leaf of the account which had been torn up by the Head Shroff ; on putting the pieces together they exactly fitted, and the account contained an erasure showing an amount corresponding with the then state of the Treasury which was deficient by 37½ Rupees.

7. Here was the Head Shroff guilty of having a deficiency in his cash, of falsifying a Government account to conceal it, and of tearing up said account and substituting another account in its stead, so as to throw the blame of the deficiency on the Deputy Shroff, which would most assuredly have happened, if he had not, luckily for himself, seen the Shroff tear up the paper and afterwards recover the bits.

8. The Deputy Shroff reported the circumstance to the Tahsildar, who should have instantly examined the cash and accounts, commenced an investigation and reported the circumstance to me ; but all the Tahsildar did was to tell them to make good the deficiency which the Head Shroff did in coins similar to those in which was the deficiency, and he did not report the circumstance to me till the 15th June after the Deputy Collector had heard of the case and had commenced an inquiry.

9. The Tahsildar is unable to give any satisfactory explanation of his conduct.

10. The correspondence noted in the margin will show that this Tahsildar when in charge of Malur Taluk, was punished with six months' suspension for a deficiency in his Treasury.

To Board, 25th June 1851, No. 65.
From „ 24th July „

11. I think the above shows that he is not to be trusted with the charge of a Taluk Treasury, or the duties of a Tahsildar, and beg to recommend his suspension from pay and duty for the space of six months, and that if he returns to duty, that he be reduced to some lower grade.

12. The torn account was that alluded to in Section 96 of the Taluk Manual, which is kept on loose sheets.

13. This inquiry has also shown that the Taluk Sheristadar and Head Accountant are not regular in comparing their accounts with the Shroff's, and the actual coin in the Treasury, for which they have been warned.

14. It is pretended that the deficiency arose from weighing out instead of counting fractions of Rupees when paying them away; but this of course cannot be held as an excuse for the conduct of either the Head Shroff or Tahsildar.

To Board, 7th March 1854, No. 35.
From „ 23rd „ „

15. In conclusion, I beg to refer the Board to the marginal correspondence which further elicits the habitual neglect and indifference of the Tahsildar, which brought on him the punishment of degradation.

In consideration of the lengthened period which the Tahsildar of the Tirumangalam Taluk has passed in the service of Government, the Board are willing to give him an opportunity of at once retiring upon his pension which he can obtain for "good service" having served upwards of 35 years. Should he decline to make his application, it will be their painful duty to direct his suspension from office for three months, and his future employment in some lower grade than that of Tahsildar, for which office he has, in the opinion of the Board, as well as of the Collector, proved himself to be now quite unfitted.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Sub-Secretary.

To V. H. Levinge, Esq., Collector of Madura.

Exd. J. Wright.

1861 Department.

Roll Enclosure in [illegible] Letter
from the Collector [illegible]
No. 723

PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD of REVENUE,

Dated 20th August 1861.

No. 4,559

Intimating that should the Tahsildar of Tirumangalam decline to avail himself of the opportunity given him of at once retiring on his pension the Board will direct his suspension for 3 months and his future employment in a lower appointment.

I do hereby certify that the age of Narayana Raw Tahsildar of Tirumangalam Taluq is 67 years.

Madura
18th September 1864

Sheenevaseiah
Sheristadar

P. Seshacuiths
D. fr Collr.

1861 Department

No 3 Enclosure in a letter
No 723

From The Collector of
Madras

To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George

Dated 18 Septr 1861

Recd —

Certificate shewing
the age of Narayana
Row Tahsildar of
Tirumangalum —

Extract from the annual Returns of Tasildars submitted to the Board of Revenue expressive of the opinion of the Collectors under whom Narana Row the Tasildar of Terumangalam served from 1842 to 1861-

By J. Blackburne Esqre Principal Colr

12th May 1842 On the death of the late Tasildar of this Taluq (hitherto called Thoorcamboor) the present Tasildar was selected from the situation of Revenue Savabneviſs in the SubCollectors Cutcherry - He had long prior been recommended for situation of SubCollector's Sheristadar - He has as much intelligence as any Tasildar in the Collectorate - His Taluq has considerably improved since it came under his charge, and his care is not confined to one single object as is too often the case - He has some knowledge of English.

By W. Morehead Esqre As Pl. Collector.

2d June 1843 I am aware of no reason for any change of Opinion to the one above given by Mr Blackburne last year

By J. Blackburne Esqre Pl. Collector 25th May 1844

On the 2d June 1843 Mr Actg Principal Collr Morehead recorded he had no diſsent to offer to my opinion of this Man recorded, on the 1st May 1842, and I hear repeat the same praise & satisfaction—

By J. Blackburne Esqre Pl. Collector 30th April 1845

Narrayana Row has the same unequal labor as the Tasildar of Madacolam. His exertions & succeſs in the Maramut Department is leſs than formerly. In other respects I have no reason to be less satisfied with him than I was in May 1842, which opinion was concurred in by Mr Principal Collector Morehead in June 1843 during my suspension—

By J. Blackburne Esqre Pl. Collector

There has been no change in any Tasildar since my last annual Report 30th April 1846 on the 9th May, and my opinion of them is unchanged.

By R. D. Parker Esqre Asst Collector

30th April 1847 No individual remarks.

By R. D. Parker Esqre Collector

30th April 1848 A Man of superior abilities & possessed of activity or other qualification of a good Tasildar. His faults are pertinacity in his own opinion and want of candour in his Reports.

By R. D. Parker Esqre Collector

30th April 1849 An able Man but careless in the Maramut Department and too fond of objections and queries.

By R. D. Parker Esqre Collector

30th April 1850 This Tasildar is able and active in Revenue and Police. In Maramut he is less successful which he attributes to difficulties peculiar to his Taluq. These certainly exists to a certain degree but I am not satisfied that these might not be overcome by resolution to a greater extent than has hitherto been the case -

By R. D. Parker Esqre Collector 30th April 1851

This Man's duty is not performed in a manner equal to his abilities He is addicted to make queries and to slur over his work -

By R. D. Parker Esqre Collector 30th April 1852

This Tasildar was suspended for two Months in the course of the year in consequence of his Conduct in an investigation into a defalcation in his Treasury - Subsequently he has exhibited considerable activity - He is intelligent with a disposition to be indolent and make excuses.

By T. Clarke Esqre As. Collector 30th April 1853

An able Officer but greatly wanting in energy - a fault in some degree perhaps to be attributed to his age.

By J. Clarke Esqre Sub Collr

30th April 1854 This Man was in disgrace removed to Nellacottay Taluq in March last It is to be hoped that the punishment inflicted on him may incite him to make better use of the abilities & experience possessed by him than has been the case for some years back & that he may thus redeem his character which once stood high for ability & zeal.

By R. D. Parker Esqre Collector

30th April 1855 This old & experienced Tasildar was removed from the higher paid appointment of Tasildar of Malur 2 years ago for carelessness and insolence in his duty - He has since given me satisfaction and is a Man of decided ability though disposed to make difficulties -

By B. Pauncefote Esqre Ag Sub Coller

30th April 1856

The Sub Coller speaks of all the Tasildars in general but not favorably.

By R. J. Sullivan Esqre Ag Collector

26th May 1857

The Collector speaks favorably of all the Tasildars in general

By A. Hathaway Esqre Ag Coller

26th May 1858

Of this Tasildar I can say but little having not been long enough in this District to speak decidedly as to his character & ability.

By J. Clarke Esqre Collector

24th May 1859

Has discharged his duties generally to my satisfaction but growing old.

By V. H. Levinge Esqre Collector

1st May 1860

Speaking of 2 Tasildars - says has been good man. I believe - not very efficient, now I should say slow in disposal of cases referred and collections rather in arrears

27th May 1861 By V. H. Levinge Esqre Collr.

Old worn out and useless every day he remains is a loss to Government and a trouble to the people under him -

True Extract

Madura
18 Septr 1861

V H Levinge
Collector

1861 Department
No 5 Enclosure in a letter
No 723

From

The Collector of
Madura

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George

Dated 18 Septr 1861
Recd -

Extract from the
annual returns of
Tasildar submitted
to the Bd of Revenue
expressive of the
opinion of the Collectors
whom he had served
under.

No. 723

Madura 15th Septr. 1861

From

V. H. Levinge Esqre.
Collector of Madura

To

T. Pycroft Esqre.
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

Sir,

I have the honor to submit an application in the prescribed form for a good service pension from Narayana Row Tahsildar of Tirumangalam Taluq, together with a certificate shewing his age and a list of his service.–

2 I beg also to enclose the Testimonials & other correspondence exhibiting the merits of the applicant and to recommend that the Pension may commence from the 1st. October.– I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt. Servt.
VHLevinge

Pension 1861 Dept
No. 543

From
The Collector of
Madura
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George
Dated 18th Septr 1861
Recd 23d "
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No 723

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A list of the Services of Narayana Row Tahasildar of Tirumungalam Taluq in the Collectorate of Madura

Where	Employment	Pay per Mensem			Period	Actual Service			Without employment			Remarks
		Rs	As	Ps		Ys	Ms	Ds	Ys	Ms	Ds	
Madura Collectorate	Royasem Joint Magtes Office	14	..	..	From 1st October 1822 to 31st Decr 1823	1	3	..				
	Javabunavis Do	21	..	..	From 1st January 1824 to 31st May 1825	1	5	..				
	Revenue Javabunavis Sub Collrs Office	25	..	..	From 1st June 1825 to 15th September 1828	3	3	15				
	Do Do	35	..	..	From 16th Sept 1828 to 1st Decr 1833	5	3	15				
	Sheristadar Do	87	8	..	From 1st January to 21st March 1834	-	2	21				
	Revenue Javabunavis Do	35	..	..	From 22nd March 1834 to 31st July 1840	6	4	10				
	Asst Sheristadar of Nelacotta	70	..	..	From 1st August 1840 to 31st January 1841	-	6	..				
	Revd Javabunavis Sub Collrs Office	35	..	..	From 1st February to 3rd September 1841	-	7	3				
	Tahasildar of Melur Taluq	120	..	..	From 4th Septr 1841 to 29th July 1851	9	10	26	6	..		Suspended for not immediately reporting a deficiency in the Taluq Treasury and for allowing it to be made good -
	Do Do	120	..	..	From 30th January 1852 to 2nd March 1854	2	1	5				
	Do of Nelacotta Taluq	50	..	..	From 4th March to 11 December 1854	-	9	14				
	Do of Tenkarai Taluq	70	..	..	From 17th Decr 1854 to 8th May 1855	-	4	23				
	Do of Nelacotta Taluq	50	..	..	From 9th May 1855 to 2nd October 1855	1	4	25				
	Do of Tirumungalam Taluq	120	..	..	From 3rd October 1855 to 11 Septr 1860							
	Do Do	200	..	..	From 12th September 1860 to 1 October 1861	1	-	20				
					Total	38	6	7				

Madura
18 September 1861

Collector

1861 Department
No 1 Inclosure in the letter
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Register of application for Superannuation Pensions from the Establishment of the Collectorate of Madura prepared under the Rules passed by Govt. under date the 30th May 1855—

Name of the persons by whom the Pension is applied for with the name of his father	Number on the Esta=blishment	Identification of applicant	Size		Age of applicant at the time of application			Religion or Caste	Where residing			Present employ=ment	Total period of Service		Applicant's Service conti=nuous or not	How [illegible] and under what circumstances
			Feet	Inches	Years	Months	Days		Province	Pergunnah	Village		Years	Months		
Narayana Row son of Runga Row		Pockmarks on the face	5	1	67			Maharata Bramin Vishnu Sect	Madura	Madura	Madura	Tahsildar of Tirumungalam	38	6 m - 7 d	Not Continuous	Suspended for not immediately reporting a deficiency in the Taluq Treasury & for allowing it to be made good —

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Age of applicant

Date of application to Government	Average salary or authorized official allowance per mensem for the 5 years preceding the date of application			Salary or authorized offl. allowance per mensem at the time of application		Abstract of the Ground of application	Remarks by the Head of Office
	Rs	a	ps	Rs	as		
18th September 1861	136	14	3	200	..	For good Service	The Tasildar is an old man and I consider is unfit for work his business & particularly his collection are always in arrears and therefore I recommend that his request for pension be complied with tho' the Zillah Surgeon is of opinion that he is still capable of active work.

from the Establishment of
by Govt. under date the 30th May 1855

Proposed amount of Pension per mensem and date from which to commence			Treasury at which the party if Pensioned wished to draw his Pension	Order of Government
Rs	A	P		
68	7	1/2	Collector of Madura	
1st October 1861				

Madura
18th September 1861

Collector

1861 Department
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The Collector of
Madura
To
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Register of applica-
tion for Super-an-
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of Madura.

Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Read Letter of the Collector of Madura

Here enter the 18th Sepr 1861.

Order thereon 2d October 1861
No 326

The Collector of Madura forwards with his letter an application from Narrain Row, Tahsildar of the Thirumangalam Taluq of his District, to be admitted to a "Good Service Pension" after a service of 46 years.—

2. Ele. The Government observe that this recommendation of the Collector's is in accordance with the instructions contained in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No 4,559 dated the 29th August 1861; in which, in order to avoid the necessity of punishing Narrain Rao for an act of misconduct of which he had been guilty, the Board inform the Collector that Narrain Rao may at once retire upon the "Good Service" Pension to which he is entitled by length of service, or else must undergo the penalty justly incurred by his misbehaviour. —

3 The Government have carefully considered the contents of the various Documents relating to Narrain Rao enclosed by the Collector in his letter now before them, and are decidedly of opinion that the Board was altogether in error in desiring the application for a "Good Service"

Pension" by Marrain whose antecedents have by no means qualified him for such a provision on retirement. –

Vide Uncovenanted Servants Vade Mecum Pages 70 & 71.

4. A good service Pension can only be claimed by an individual of unblemished character, who has served uninterruptedly for 35 years, and who is able to furnish the Government with "unquestionable proofs of his merit "in the shape of "testimonials of a "faithful and efficient dis- "charge of his duties during the "whole period of his service". How little this is the case with Marrain who is apparent from the most cursory inspection of the enclosures to [illegible] Levinge's letter. –

5. Reference to the Annual

returns of Tahsildars submitted to the Board by the Collectors shews that in* 1845 his want of exertion in the Moramut Department was noted unfavourably, and in‡ 1848 "his want of candour in his Reports" - and the same remarks were afterwards repeated in similar reports: —

* By Mr J. Blackburn - 30th April 1845

‡ By Mr H. D. Parker 30th April 1848 -

6 In July 1851 Narrain Rao was suspended for 6 months by order of the Bd of Revenue for§ "gross dereliction of duty" in having, when Tahsildar of the Mulur Taluq, abstained for 10 days from making any enquiry into a deficiency that had been reported to him in his cash chest, for having permitted the defalcation to be made good, and for having then made no report on the matter for a period of 8 days. —

§ Proceedings of the Bd of Revn 24th July 1851

7. In March 1854 this man

was degraded from the Tahsildarship of the Ecalew Taluq to the less highly paid post of Tahsildar of Vellacottah. — On this occasion his offence was "persevering neglect of paramount "duties for many years" brought to notice by the Civil Engineer, & Asst. Surveyor, & confirmed by the observation of Lt. Parker the Collector, who reported to the ×"Board that he found repairs to the roads in the immediate vicinity of Narrain Rao's station being conducted "in the most scandalous "-ly negligent manner"; that "he "had never paid the slightest "attention to them, & when called "on to explain his conduct re-"-plied in a tone that betrayed "the utmost indifference" – "Another most flagrant instance "of neglect" on Narrain Rao's part

× March 7. 1841.

was also brought to notice in
the same letter, and the Collector
remarked that he was compelled
to punish him severely "in order
" to prevent his bad example
" spreading among the other public
" servants" —

8. On the 30th August last Mr.
Levinge brought to the notice
of the Board of Revenue the
last act of misconduct of
Kassim Khan, and which was of
precisely the same description
as that which occasioned his suspension
in 1851 — A defalcation was
discovered in his cash chest,
and, instead of at once making
an investigation and report,
Kassim Khan desired the
deficiency to be made good
in coins similar to those

missing, and refrained from making any report on the matter until it had come to the knowledge of the Deputy Collector, and he had commenced an enquiry.

9. In addition to this Mr Levinge reports that the Revenue Arrears in the Tirumangalum Taluq now amounts to Rs 41,000, & that this is to be attributed to Narrain Rau's "inactivity and neglect of duty."* Mr Levinge remarked that "considering the retention of his post to be detrimental to the Government interests, and a bad example to " other officials" he would have recommended Narrain Rau's being pensioned, were it not for his serious misconduct in the recent deficiency in his cash chest; and it was upon the receipt

* "The Zillah Surgeon has declined to give him a medical certificate of unfitness for further duty & reports that "he is free "from illness of any kind, "for his age, a strong wiry "man." He has not therefore the excuse of ill health to plead in extenuation -"

of this letter that the Board issued the instructions that have resulted in the present application for Pension.—

10 The Government refuse the good service Pension applied for by Hussain Khan ~~and, fully agreeing with the Board of Revenue that he has shewn himself to be quite unfitted for the responsible office of Tahsildar, they resolve to direct his immediate removal from that post~~.—

Better put in leave this to the Bd. perhaps

Yes

It will be for the Bd. and Collector to consider in what inferior capacity it will advisable to employ ~~Hussain Khan~~ him for the future, & until he can claim an ordinary pension consequent upon failing health or faculties.—

See Endst. C. No. 130 Dated Nov: 24. 1857 Put up

R. S. N.

To The Board of Revenue (Dis. 2/10/61)
The Collector of Madras (Dis 2/10/61)

Pension 1801 Despatch

No. 326

Proceedings of Govt.

Dated 2d. October 1801.

Refusing to grant a
"Good Service Pension" to Narain
Row Tahsildar in the Establish-
-ment of the Collector of Madura
but allows him to be employed
in any inferior grade to serve
out more till he can claim
for Pension in the ordinary way
on the failure of his health.

J H S