

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

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Calicut 21st December 1861.

From

P. Grant Esquire

Collector of Malabar

To

J. Pycroft Esquire

Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir

I have the honor to submit, for the favorable consideration of Government, the case of a Peon on my Establishment who unfortunately lost his leg by the accidental bursting of a Cannon.--

Kundambath
Chatu Kutti Nayar.

2.

The Cannon was fired every Saturday forenoon, in order to regulate the time of the station.--

3.

On Saturday the 5th May, the Peon, so far as I could learn, took more than ordinary care to make the Cannon heard, and in view to doing so, he seems to have overcharged it. The result was, that when fired, it went

to pieces and carried away his left leg;

14. Hitherto he has been entertained to do the duties of a Peon, but he complains of the distance he has to come to Office, and in addition to this, I find it so difficult to manage the duties of my Office with the very limited number of men allowed, that I am obliged to dispense with his services, and engage a man with the use of his limbs. I therefore

recommend that the crippled man be allowed a gratuity of 6 months' pay, to enable him to make some

provision for his future support. He has already been five years in the service, and his previous good conduct entitles him to favorable consideration under his present unfortunate circumstances.

The enclosed petition was forwarded by the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor - The only remark that I have to make regarding

it is that the allegation, that Petitioner was promised a life pension, is a pure fiction -

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedient Servant,

Grant
Collector.

That Petr in the prime
of youth, became crippled in this manner,
in consequence of the explosion of an old can-
non borrowed from the Zamorin Rajah
of

The Civil Auditor

to Dec 6/1/82

Dec 21st November 1862
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Then
The Collector of Malabar
will say reasons to justify
that charge.

Received 1862 Robert

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W. A. Hall
Smith

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when they go to favorable
 indications of Government
 the case of a man on his
 estate and who has not
 been up by the bar of
 a Court -
 With an order

of Calicut for the purpose of being fired
off at the collector's office at noon every
Saturday.

Report of the Cannon was not
deemed loud enough, it was according to
order loaded on the 10th May 1860 with a
double charge of gunpowder. That when
Petr was directed to fire it he at first re-
fused, but on being threatened with dis-
missal, did so, whereupon it burst and
a piece carried away his left leg, maim-
ing him for life.

That on the day the calamity
befell him he was promised a life pen-
sion both by the Collector and Deputy
Collector of Malabar, but after his re-
covery these gentlemen insist upon his
doing duty as before.

That as Petr is by caste an
Nair, he is obliged to live at a distance
of 2½ miles from the Muzgoor office, &
therefore necessitated to hop 5 miles
to and fro on crutches for the purpose of
taking meals.

That Petr is hardly unable to stand with-
out crutches and consequently can be of
very little use in the office.

That Petr's life is, from said
species of indirect torture and the thought-
ful of the loss he has sustained, rendered
completely miserable, therefore he entreats
your Excellency will humanely forgive
this liberty, to which he has been goaded
on by his sufferings and the want of feel-
ings on the part of those who have the
power of assuaging the same.

Therefore Petr humbly implores
that your Excellency will graciously com-
misserate his deplorable condition and
grant him the life pension which was
promised him by the local authorities
when the fatality occurred and thus
alleviate his misery, for which act
of Justice Petr as in duty bound

Calicut }
7th Oct }
1861 }

Will Ever Pray

Doth

Check
 given when he
 was by him off
 grant & not out
 of his account
 for 10.10.61
 10.10.61

To,
 The Right Honorable
 Sir Wm. Denison K. C. B.
 Governor of the Straits
 Settlements
 Calcutta.

Memo: of Servitude of Kandambatha Chathoo Cooty, Nair Kayur Magistrates Peon -

Designation	Salary	Period of Servitude -	Total		Remarks.
			R. as P.	34 in. days.	
Magistrates Peon	5. " "	1857. October - 25. 1860. April - 30.	2.	6. 11.	He was fined 2 Annas in August 1858.
Extra Peon	5. " "	1860. May - 1 st . 1861. December - 30.	1.	8. "	but no cause for it is shown on the record.
		Total	4.	2. 11.	

Calicut
 7th February
 1862.

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E. J. J.

Int

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read letter from the Collector of Malabar

Here enter 21st Decr 1861.

Read Report of the Civil Magistrate.

Here enter 20th Feb. 1862.

Order thereon
8th March 1862 W. 75.

The Collector of Malabar in this letter submits for the favorable consideration of Government the case of Kundumbath Chettu Katti Sagar a person on his Establishment whose services have been dispensed with in consequence of his having been incapacitated for further active duty by a serious accident. & It appears that he was engaged in firing the

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From the Office Civil Magistrate

To the Secy to Govt Civil Pension Dept

Dated 20th Feb 1862

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Enclosure 3

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Respectfully the Secy of a Genl of Madras Collectors

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midday gun at Calicut
and the piece burst when
fired, having been over-
charged through some
inadvertence. The person
lost his leg, and his wound
recommends the sanction
for him of a gratuity of
6 months salary, or Rs 30,
to enable him to con-
vince some avocation
for his own support. -

- 3 The Civil Paymaster re-
ports that as the person to
service amounts to less
than 5 years he is not,
under the Rules, entitled
to any remuneration at
all.
- 4 The Government however
are of opinion that the

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dought to have a decision

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You can be done
etc

W.D.

Caveat

The Collector in this letter
submits for the consider-
ation of Government the
case of Kendumabath
Shatu Katti hazar, a person
in his Establishment whose
services have lately been
dispensed with in con-
sequence of his being
incapacitated for active

Duty by a serious accident

2. It appears that when engaged in firing the mid-day gun at Calicut, by some inadvertence the piece was overcharged, and bursting when fired the person lost his leg. -

3. His parent recommends the sanction to the issue of a gratuity of six months salary, (£30-) but the Civil Magistrate reports that as his total service amounts to less than 5 years he is not entitled, under the Rules, to any remuneration at all.

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4. The circumstances of the case however are such as to merit its being treated as an exceptional one, and the Government accordingly resolve to recommend, for sanction by the Supreme Government, the grant to the disabled person of a gratuity of six months salary or £30.



H. S. M.

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Comment

*Q. 25 Feb:
184 March*

circumstances of the case are
of so peculiar & exceptional
a nature as to merit a more
liberal treatment than is
usual, and looking to the
serious injury he has sus-
-tained in their service
they resolve to recommend
to the Supreme Council
that Kundumbath Chetta
katti Nagar be admitted
as a special case, to a
pension of Rs 3-8 from the
date on which his services
were finally discontinued.

H. S. W.
A. D. [illegible]
[Signature]

The collector of Nulabad. Dec. 8/3/61.

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Proceedings of the Committee

(Date 8 March 1862)

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