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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 21 ~~Press~~ Mis.

Dated 15—1— 1867.

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No. 282

From
Lieut. Colonel G. P. Cameron, C. B. K. C. H. S.
Commanding Neilgherries

To
E. B. Thomas Esqr.
Collector of Coimbatore

Sir,

The Paymaster Southern Division having returned the Abstract submitted to him for adjustment for the Pay of the Conicopoly and Bricklayer Maistry of the Engineers Department, attached to this Office, stating that the same should be drawn from the Civil Department, I have the honor to request you will be good enough not to deduct the Pay of the Conicopoly Vencatapah for last month from the Current Months Military Remittance till I receive the Sanction of the Civil Auditor to draw their Pay from your Treasury henceforth.-

I have the honor to be &ca.
(Signed) G. Poulett Cameron-
Lieut. Colonel
Commanding Neilgherries.-

Station Office
Ootacamund
14. June 1856.-

True Copy

Deputy Collector

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No 31.

Coimbatore Collector
Office Ootacamund
11 September 1866

From
R. Grant Esquire Collector of
Coimbatore
To
F. Lushington Esqr
Accountant General
Fort St George

Sir

I have received your letter of the 24th Ultimo No 2396 and in reply beg to forward for your information Copy of one dated the 31st Idem No 412, received from the Special Asst Collector at Ootacamund from which it will be seen that the Certificate you speak of is based upon Official Copies of pay abstracts existing among the Records of his Office.

2 On receipt of your letter under acknowledgment I made a reference to my Records from which it appears that Armoogum was appointed Maistry at the recommendation of my predecessor Mr Thomas on the 5th May 1851. From this date upto the end of April 1856 the Maistry was drawing his pay from the Military Department

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In a letter from the
Collector of Coimbatore
Dated 10th September
1866 No 31.

From
The Offg Comy
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To
The Collector of Coimbatore

Informs that
Building Paymaster
has returned the Pay
Abstract of the Coolie
& Bricklayer Maistry
and requests that
the amount may
be deducted from
the Remittance

Pens 1430/66

Department as will be seen from the accompanying copy of a letter No 282 dated 14th June 1856 received from the Officer Commanding the Neilgherries. The Pay Master Southern Division having objected to this step and stated that the Maistry's salary should be drawn from the Civil Department, it was accordingly transferred to that Department from which he continued to get his pay from May+ 1856 until February 1857; and this fact is supported by the Copies of pay abstracts passed by the Civil Auditor, which are preserved among the Records of this Office

+ vide list herewith sent

3 For further particulars on the subject of Armoogum Maistry's having drawn his pay from the Military Department I beg to refer you to the Records of the Trichinopoly Pay Master's Office now under the charge of the paymaster

Presidency

Presidency,

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

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Collector

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Ootacamund 31 August
1866

No 412

From

F. R. Gordon Esqr Asst Collr of
Ootacamund

To

R. Grant Esquire Collector of
Coimbatore

Sir

With reference to the Acting Deputy Accountant General's letter No 2396 dated 24th Instant I have the honor to inform you that the Certificate alluded to therein was based upon Official Copies of Pay abstracts existing among the Records of this Office, made payable by the Paymaster Southern Division, and passed for payment by him.

herewith returned

I have &c

(Sd) F. R. Gordon
Asst Collector

(True Copy)

R Grant
Collector

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List shewing the Amount drawn by the Officer Commanding Neilgherries on account of pay of Bricklayer Moostry Armogum from the Treasury of the Collector of Coimbatore as per abstracts passed by the Civil Auditor

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For what Month	Amount of Pay			When passed by the Civil Auditor	Charged under the head Salaries Establishments and Contingencies of Public Works Department in the Journal for	Page	Included in Rupees
	Rs	A	P				
1856 May	14	.	.	15th July 1856	1856 — July —	108	56
June	14	"	.				
July	14	"	.	9th August — "	— August —	146	28
August	14	"	.	8th " September	— September —	181	28
September	14	"	.	8th " October "	— October —	220	28
October	14	.	.	6th " November	— December —	300	56
November	14	.	.	3d " December			
December	14	"	.	9th January 1857	— 1857 — February —	400	14
1857 January	14	.	.	18th " February "			28
February	14	"	.	6th March "	— " March —	439	28

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Collector

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No. 342

I do hereby Certify that the Pay of the Establishment of one Conicopoly ✱ and one Maistry × employed on the Engineers Department was drawn on abstract from the Pay Master at Trichinopoly till April 1856 thro Lieutenant Colonel G.P. Cameron late Commanding Neilgherries - and also the sum of Rs 14 being the amount of Pay of Armoogum Sailay for February 1857 was drawn on the 16th March 1857 thro the Collector of Coimbatore.

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11 July 1866 }

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Sub Collr

Conicopoly — ✱ Vencatachellum
Maistry — × Armoogum Sailay

1866 Dept

From
The Collector of
Coimbatore

To
The Acct Genl
Madras

Dd 10th } September 1866
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No 31.

Affords the information called for in regard to the services of Armoogum Maistry.

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District Engrs Office
Coimbatore 2d March /57.

D No 100.

Offl. Memo:

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Armoogum Maistry is informed that under the authority conferred by the Chief Engineer in Circular No 9947 under date 31st January 1857 the District Engineer has appointed you to be a Sub Overseer on a pay of 20 Rupees from 1st March /57. (Twenty)

You will remain in your present position till further orders.

Distt Engr Coimbato

Exd. T. Jacquel

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Statement of Services of Auroomoogum Pillay employed as Marahmut Maistry Sub Overseer and Talug Maistry on the Nelgherries from 1st Feby 1848 to 30th June 1866

	Yrs	Ms	Ds
1st Feby /48 to 28th Feby /57 as Marahmut Maistry on 14 Rs per month	9	1	"
1st March /57 to 30th April 1863 as Sub Overseer on 25 & 30 Rs per Do	6	3	"
1st May to July 1863 —— as Talug Maistry on 20 Rs per Do	"	3	"
Total Services	15	7	"
1st August /63 to 30th June 1866 as Temporary Maistry	2	11	"
Grand Total Services	18	6	"

To

Lieut. Colonel G. W. Walker
Supt. Engineer 7th Division
Coimbatore

Honored Sir

Referring to the Proceedings of Government, Pension Department, granting me a gratuity of six months' pay instead of the Pension as applied for in my behalf, I take the liberty respectfully to lay the following before you with a hope that you will be pleased to submit the same for the favorable consideration and orders of Government, pending the receipt of which order, I have lodged the amount of gratuity with Major Farewell, Executive Engineer.

2 The above order, passed on the report of the Dy. Auditor and Accountant General, states that I had only served on the permanent Establishment for a period of six years and four months and that my previous service as Maramut Maistry was not to be reckoned on the supposition that the appointment was a temporary one, which I must be allowed to say is not the case.

3 I was a Maistry under Government

from 1st February 1848 to 28th February 1857, and did duty under the orders of the several officers Commanding the station. My pay and that of Canacapillay, Potrasigamony), and his successor, Vencatappa, have been drawn on regular Abstracts from the Military Department, the Documents containing the information are to be, or should be, found in the Office of the Presidency Paymaster or in such other Office, — to which the records of the late Trichinopoly Pay office were transferred.

4 I enclose a Certificate marked A obtained from J. Hannyngton Esqre, Spl. Asstt. Collector, in charge of Pay Office, Ootacamund, which would not have been necessary, or formed an enclosure to this appeal, the records of the Commanding Officers prior to 1860 having all been destroyed. No documentary Evidence can be found in that Office, hence the Certificate submitted is of grave importance in support of my statement. The document marked B. enclosed will tend to prove to you that prior to my appointment as Sub Overseer, I was holding the appointment of Maramut Maistry. E. B. Thomas Esqre, late Collector of Coimbatore,

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Colonel G. Selby, R.A. Colonel Ludlow, R. E., Colonel P. M. Francis, R. E., and Major Stuart, R. E., who recommended me for promotion Col. J. H. M. Babington will, I have no doubt, if called upon, be able to corroborate this assertion. I further beg to inform you that, on a reference made to the Notification published by the Secretary to Government D. P. W. at Page 628 of the Fort St. George Gazette, dated 29th September 1863, regarding the Service of dismissed Sub-Overseers, the period of my service under the head of Coimbatore District, has been put down as 15 years and 3 months omitting of course that of Talug Maistry in which capacity I was employed for 3 months further. This information had been authentically selected from the records of the Engineer Departments of the Officer commanding Neilgherries, previous to their having been destroyed by fire. Had I not ~~been~~ served in the Departt. on the permanent strength of the Establisht., how would it have been possible to insert in the official Gazette, the period of my service, and thereby authorizing me and ~~several other~~ discharged Overseers as eligible to re-employment in any ~~duty~~ capacity under Government.

should there be any further suspicion on the subject of my having been employed permanently from the date of my entertainment to that of my transfer as Sub-Overseer to the D. P. W. as will be seen in the appointment letter marked B forwarded by Colonel Francis, the then Distt. Engineer, of the District, ~~the~~ question may be referred through P. Grant Esqre., the present Collr. of Coimbatore, to C. Basheem Naidoo, late Manager of the Pay Office, Ooty, and now a pensioner, who by several years' experience in that Office, can, I believe, remember well and assert to my having drawn my pay through his hands on regular Abstract passed by the Paymaster. If the Colonel Ouchterlony R.E. Dy. Chief Engineer, the several officers then commanding Ootacamund, Viz Major Wright, Colonel Babington, Major Nicolay all of whom know me, were alive or in India, a great deal of trouble would have been saved, however for the present, the officers named in the preceding paragraph will suffice, as I feel certain that they will as far as in their power aid me on the subject I have now represented.

5 During my incumbency as Maramut Maistry and Sub Overseer, I have worked in very sickly localities Viz Davis Bangalow, Segur, Musinacil, Teppacaudoo, Pykarah, Nadoovuttum, Avalanchy, Sispara, Walghat and Burliar almost at the risk of my life. I have worked as hard as I could, with the view of securing a Pension in this my old age, but to my great disappointment and surprize, gratuity is the reward, I am now offered accompanied with a loss of 9 years' service.

6 My present declining and infirm state of ~~my~~ health is due to the severe attacks of fever, I was and am suffering from, contracted during the time, I was engaged in those localities in the construction and repairs~~ing~~ of Bridges, Bangalows, Chuttrums &ca. Had it not been for the kindness of Major Farwell, Executive Engineer, who placed me on the temporary Establisht. on the same pay, as I drew while holding the permanent appointment, which was abolished on the 1st July 1863, my suffering would have been beyond description.

7 From the above and from the accompanying Statement marked C, it would be seen that my service up to date amounts to nearly 18½ years, and my claim for Pension to be disposed of

so summarily, as has been done is a matter of insuperable grievance.

8 The very unhealthy places in which, I have had to work laboriously, and the great difficulties, I had to contend with, in former years, add great weight to an appeal for Pension.

For granting the favor above sought, I will ever remain, exceedingly thankful to you.

I beg to remain
Honored Sir
Your Most Obedt. Servant.

Ootacamund
23rd July 1866

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(Signed) In Tamil
Aroomogum Pillay
Late Sub. Overseer

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To
Major W. Garrett Translation
Executive Engineer Ootacamund

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Sir,

I beg to forward this Petition through you to the Supdg. Engineer, and request that you will be so good enough to keep the amount of Gratuity (viz Rs. 121) ordered to be paid to me in your hands until receipt of reply to this Petition.

I am Sir
(Sd) Aroomogum Pillay
Late Sub Overseer

Submitted to the Supdg Engineer 7 Dn

Ootacamund 25 July 1866

W. Garrett Major
Executive Engineer

Dept. P.W.D.
Re a Letter
from
The Supg Engineer
7th Division
to
The Secretary to Govt
Dept. P. Works
No. 106.
Dated 1st Augst 1866.
Received
P.W.D. 31/8/66

Enclosures 3.

Submitting late Sub-division Ammoogum Pillay with 3 Certificates for reconsideration of the Orders of Government granting gratuity instead of Pension. —

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Supg Engrs Office 7th Dn
Conoor, 1st Augt 1866 —

No. 106.

From
Lieutt Col. G. W. Walker R.E.
Supg Engineer 7th Division

To,
Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government D.P.W.

Sir,

Enclosures
1 Appeal dated 23rd July 1866 — with
3 Certificates —

In submitting for the orders of Govt the accompanying appeal against their decision in Proceedings in the Pension Department No. 227 of 18th June, I have the honor to state my opinion that the Deputy Commt. General's report of Ammogum Maistry's appointment as Maistry from 1848 to 1857 not being a permanent one, must have been founded on some misconception, owing to his Pay having been drawn by the Military Officer Commanding on the Neilgherries instead of as usual through the Civil Department — The records of the former Office appear to have been destroyed by fire, but there must surely be some order in existence appointing a Maistry to the Establishment of the Officer Commanding; & that Ammogum was that Maistry during the period in question there is no doubt. —

I have the honor to be &c

G. W. Walker Lieutt Col. R.E.
Supg Engr 7th Dn

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Pensions 1866
No 3443
From
The Supg. Engr. 7th Divn
To
The Secy to Govt P.W.D.
Madras

Dated 1st Augt 1866
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Referred to the Pension Department

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Secretary to Governt
P.W.D.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

P.G. No 96/7 No 100

Recds 4,

Submits Aroomoogum Maistry's application against the decision of Government in my Proceedings of Pension

P.G. 2421
With an order

Referred to the Deputy Accountant General for his remarks.

Fort Saint George
21st August 1866

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Under Secretary

To the Dy Accountant General

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Fort St George
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No. 2686.

Pay Examiner's Office,
Fort Saint George, 15th October 1866.

From,
The Pay Examiner

To,
The Ag Dy Accountant General

Sir,

In reply to your letter No 2980, dated 22nd September 1866, I have the honor to acquaint you, that on a further reference to the records of this Department, it has been ascertained, that Pay as a Bricklayer Maistry in the Engineers' Department in charge of the Officer Commanding Ootacamund for Bricklayer Maistry Aroomoogum Pillay is charged in the Accounts of the Paymaster Southern Division, from 1st May 1851 to 30th April 1856, the former being the date of his entertainment.

2. This Department has no knowledge of the manner in which payments are made from Cantonment Grazing or

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D A & A G. Office
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or other petty funds-

3. The Correspondence forwarded with your letter is herewith returned-

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Major,

Pay Examiner-

From
The Pay Examiner
to
The Depy Accountant
General
Dated 15th
Recd } October 1866
Encl.
Relative to the
service of Bricklayer
Maistry Arumogum
Pillay-

Recd 23/10/66.

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No. 3091

Pay Examiner's Office
Fort Saint George 21st Novr 1866

EXAMINER OF CLAIMS MADRAS
1866
NO 22

To
The Examiner of Claims
Fort Saint George

Sir,

In reply to your letter No 440 dated 26th October 1866, I have the honor to state, that the Pay of the Establishment to which Aroomogum Pillay belonged, was fixed by Government, but Native Artificers of this description are not entitled to Pension.

2 The records of this Department from 1840 to 1850 have been examined, but the appointment of a Maistry to the Establishment of the Officer Commanding the Neilgherries, does not appear therein-

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Major,

Pay Examiner-

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From
Pay Examiner

States that
Bricklayer
Maistries are
not entitled
to Pension -
& that ~~the~~ no order
appears on record
appt'g ~~to~~ one
to the Estt of the
Offy Comg the
Neilgherries.

Pens. 1430/66

No. 564.

Fort Saint George
Accountt. General's Office
30th November 1866.

From
The Examiner of Claims

To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Civil Pension Department

Sir,

With reference to the Endorsement of the Under Secretary to Government dated 21st August last on a letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, No. 106 dated 1st Idem, I have the honor by direction of the Accountant General to forward the Answers to the letters from this Department on the subject of Brick Layer Maistry Aroomoogum Pillay's services between February 1848 and 1st March 1857. The Pay Examiner in his letter No. 3091 of the 21st Instant says that the records of his Department shew the appointment of a Bricklayer Maistry on the Establishment of the Officer Commanding the Neilgherries from 1st May 1851 to 30th April 1856, but that service as Native Artificers of this description does not qualify for pension. Even admitting then that Aroomoogum had been employed in a permanent Capacity and had been paid from the Government Treasury on abstracts during the period under dispute, he could not

not have been granted a Pension and would have been Eligible on account of his entire service to a gratuity equal to only five Months pay under the old rules.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
McDonald
Examiner of Claims

Pension Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read again Pros: of Govt. Pension Department dated 18th June 1866 No 227.

Read also the following Papers.

From Superintending Engineer 7th Division (Here enter 1st August 1866 No 506)
Report of the Examiner of Claims (—— " —— 30th November 1866 No 564)

Order thereon 15th January 1867 No 21.

On further reference it ~~is~~ has been ascertained that a Bricklayer-Maistry was entertained on and paid from the Establishment of the Officer Commanding the Neilgherries from 1851 to 1856: Subsequently, the Maistry appears to have been paid from the Civil Treasury.

2. There is little doubt that Arnoogum Pillay was the Maistry so employed: but granting this

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Pension/1866 Departt
No 1430.
To
The Chief Secy to Govt
Civil Pension Departt
Dated 30th Novr/66
Recd 3d December/66

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About Bricklayer Maistry Arroomoogum Pillays service between Feby 1848 and 1st March/57.

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this he is not entitled to pension, for irrespective of the question as to whether he was permanently employed and paid on regular abstracts, the service of native Artificers of this description does not qualify for pension.

3. The Government are therefore unable to grant Armoogam Pillay a pension or to modify their order sanctioning the gratuity to which he appeared to be entitled.

7.B.

To
The Superintending Engineer 7 Division.
" " Accountant General.

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Pens: 18th June 1866
No. 227

Pension 1867. Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated. 15th January 1867.

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