

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

pension DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
4th January 1868.*

No. 3. Read the following letter from P. RAM ROW, late Writer in the Office of the Madras Military Paymaster, Presidency Circle, and now pensioned, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 13th December 1867.

With all deference and respect I beg to submit three printed copies of a Memorial I have prepared to the address of His Excellency the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, praying for a modification of the order passed regarding my pension, and to solicit the favor of the Memorial being submitted in due course, with the favorable recommendation of this Government, to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State.

2. The Government will see that I am an old servant of good character, forced to leave the service at great disadvantage, only in consequence of a public measure undertaken for the benefit of Government, and though but a small portion had remained to be completed for full service. The strength of the precedents quoted is very favorable to my claims to indulgence, though my service as Regimental Vakeel might not be admitted to count as service.

To

THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA IN COUNCIL.

The humble Memorial of Puthree Ram Row,
late Writer in the Office of the Madras Military
Paymaster, Presidency Circle, and now pen-
sioned.

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

• That your Excellency's Memorialist, feeling himself aggrieved that the wonted liberal consideration was not extended to him by the Madras Government in determining an adequate pension for his long services, which the peculiar circumstances of his retirement would seem to recommend, has respectfully ventured to fall on the charity of your Excellency, and to request a kind and indulgent modification of the order passed in his case in Proceedings, Madras Government, Pension Department, dated 23rd August 1867, No. 260, granting him only one-third pension.

2. That the curtailment of pension, which most seriously affects the interests and claims of the Memorialist, may be viewed as an occasion which may hold him excused for thus troubling your Excellency with this small prayer.

3. That the Memorialist entered the Government service in 1834 as Regimental Vakeel in the Horse Brigade Artillery on a pay of 21 Rupees (1 year and 251 days); that he was employed from 1st January 1836 to 28th February 1843 as Mess Writer, and paid from the Mess allowance granted to the Brigade of Artillery by Government; and then from 1st March 1843 as Writer in the Military Pay Office up to 31st March 1867, and that on this latter date the Memorialist was thrown out of employ in consequence of a reduction recently made in revising the establishment.

4. That your Memorialist's pension has been calculated on his service from 1843, March 1st, which gave in service of 24 years 1 month, and an average pay of 50 Rupees, of which one-third portion, or Rupees 16-8-0, was fixed as the amount of pension.

5. That the Memorialist has all along borne good character, and is entitled to a more indulgent consideration in rewarding his past services, is obvious from the fact that the Memorialist's official superior had recommended him for a half-pension.

6. That the Memorialist begs to implore consideration to the following circumstances in particular, viz., 1st, that he has completed service within but eleven months of the full qualifying period for a moiety; 2ndly, that he would have had opportunity of serving longer and entitling himself to half-pension had not the orders for reduction of establishment thrown him out of the service in which he has laboriously worked for a long time, and in which he is both by the strength of his body and mind quite able to continue and work well, and complete his proper time. That this state of things shows that between the realization of his full moiety, which has been almost attained to a degree of closest and hair-breadth approximation or approach, and the present disappointment as to the amount of the pension passed, has come in an act of the Government itself, quite inde-

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pendent of any short-comings or incapacity on the part of the Memorialist. That the Memorialist was sanguine either that he would have been provided with a post to keep on to complete the short link wanted, or that he would have been indulgently endowed with a fitting pension. That he

Mr. Boyle, Examiner, Revenue Board Office, 1 year and 4 months wanting to complete 30 years.
Streenevassa Row, Tahsildar, Madras district.
Balagoroonath Chetty, late Sub-Treasurer's Office, 10 months and 14 days wanting to complete 30 years.
Mylapore Streenevass Moodelly, Tamil Moonshee, Board of Examiner's Office, 5 months wanting to complete 25 years.
Mootia Moodelly, Pay Office, 6 months wanting to complete 25 years.

regrets to find both denied him, and solicits charitable consideration, and throws himself on the equity and justice of your Excellency for redress. That the Memorialist is aware from his experience that in several cases of reduction of establishment, &c., indulgent pensions were granted to old servants, as noted in the margin, who were in the same predicament with the

Memorialist, as regards the unhappy short career still to be gone through for the completion of the full qualifying period.

7. Irrespective of these, the Memorialist respectfully begs to submit that ever since 1834 he has been in actual employ, the Vakeel part of which would count as service, though the Mess Writer's office might not. His service as Vakeel was above a year, and the Memorialist requests that your Excellency will be pleased to order that service to be taken, though interrupted by the Mess Writer's employment to count in his service, in consideration of the peculiar and unfortunate exigency which has blasted his reasonable prospects of service and pension, on which he was highly confident as regarded himself.

8. That the humble Memorialist respectfully concludes with praying that he may, under one or other, or all of the reasons set forth above, and in consideration of the peculiar position of his circumstances, be awarded with a half-pension, or that amount, with a proportionate diminution for the period wanting, as an exceptional case, and on the force of like favorable orders passed in the case of the above-mentioned individuals.

Begging to be excused for the trespass on the valuable moments of your Excellency.

The Memorialist, as in duty bound, shall ever pray.

13th December 1867.

(Signed) P. RAM ROW.

No. 4. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort Saint George, 4th January 1868, No. 2.

I am directed to forward to you, for transmission to the Secretary of State, a Memorial in triplicate from P. Ram Row, late a Clerk in the office of the Military Paymaster, Presidency Circle, asking that the pension of Rupees 16-8-0, one-third of his average salary, granted to him by this Government on the 23rd August last in G. O., Pension Department, No. 260, may be increased to Rupees 25, or one-half.

2. His statement of his service is correct: it amounted to 24 years 1 month, and he was thrown out of employ by reduction of establishment. On the ground that he had nearly attained 25 years' service he rests his appeal.

3. I am to observe that this Government does not consider that the Memorialist's case presents circumstances which would justify a relaxation of the Pension Rules.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

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No. 17. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Simla, 20th June 1868, No. 365.

Read Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council; dated India Office, London, 15th April 1868, No. 172 (Financial).

I have considered in Council your Financial letter, dated the 11th February last, No. 38, forwarding a Memorial from Puthree Ram Row, late a Clerk in the Office of the Madras Military Paymaster, Presidency Circle, praying to be granted a pension of one-half, instead of one-third, of his average monthly salary during the last five years of his service.

2. I concur with your Government, and with the Government of Madras, in thinking that there are not sufficient grounds for relaxing the rules in Puthree Ram Row's favor, and must therefore decline to comply with the prayer of the Memorial which you have transmitted.

Ordered that the foregoing be communicated to the Government of Fort Saint George, with reference to its letter, No. 2, dated the 4th January last.

(Signed) G. H. M. BATTEN,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 18.

ORDER THEREON, 6th July 1868, No. 318.
Communicated to the Pension Department.
(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Pension Department.

Exd. J. H. Burns,

Pension 1868 Department

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Oct 6th / July 1868.
Recd. J.

Communication

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James Bow, Vice
Chief in the Military
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Order them 11th July 1868 A-207.

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