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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

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## Government of Madras.

pension **DEPARTMENT.**

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| G.O. No. 231 | Press / Mis. |
| Dated 21-7- | 1868. |

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22-11-35

I, John Bilderbeck, Civil Surgeon of Cuddalore do hereby certify on honor that I have personally examined A: Sashagherry Row, Head Goomastah of the Chellumbaram Taluq Cutcherry of South Arcot, & find that he suffers from general debility consequent on old age (60 years) and long service (32 years) I consider him unfit for further Service. His present state of health has not been caused by intemperance or other irregular habits. He has not been under Medical treatment.

Cuddalore
31st December 1867

Assistt Surgeon
Civil Surgeon

24- True Translation of the orders of the Sub Collr. under which the applicant was suspended on the 11 Decr./67 and dismissed on the 17th Jany./68, as the cause of suspension and dismissal should be given in this Office report to Govt. when the Case is disposed of -

Revn/68 Dept.
Lr. No. 5-22

Revn/68 Dept.
Lr. No. 5-23.

1 Regr. of application for Pension of
Seshagiri Raw d/ 16 March 68
1 Medl. Certificate d/ 31st Decr 67

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PENSION REPORT DEPARTMENT.

No.

Fort Saint George,
Accountant General's Office,
The 6th May 1868.

To

THE Collector of South Arcot

The undersigned has the honor to return the papers connected with the Pension case noted in the margin, received ~~with~~ on the 19 March 1868 for want of Nos. 3-4-16-23 and 24.

This paper should also be returned with the case

Tudor Trevor
Offg. Examiner of Claims.

1. Detail, with dates, of local posts.
2. ,, pay.
3. ,, of leaves enjoyed other than privilege or preparatory during the whole period of his Service
4. ,, Full name in item 1 of the Register of application.
5. ,, Certificate of age attested by head of Department.
6. ,, that the applicant has been under medical treatment for a named period.
7. ,, that he is broken down through no fault or excess of his own.
8. ,, that alleged services are proved from the records.
9. ,, of past character.
10. Explanation of apparent breaks.
11. ,, ,, degradation.
12. Mention of desired place of payment.
13. Printed form of application for under the Rules published at page 631, of the 2nd Volume of the Gazette for 1866.
14. Insertion in item 15 of the Register of all descriptive marks agreeably to Notification published at page 802, of 2nd Volume of the Gazette for 1866.
15. Insertion in the Leave Statement, of the period of absence with loss of full and half pay respectively during the period of
16. For deletion of Remarks at foot of the Register, if the applicant did not receive any gratuity.
17. For the deletion of grounds of retirement &c., other than those required under N. B. at foot of the Register.
18. Discharge Certificate from the Superintendant of Police shewing the period of the applicant's employment in the new Police, and why his services were dispensed with.
19. Testimonials of character or Certificates given to applicants by the Head of an Office or in the absence of such Certificates an affidavit signed before a Magistrate, in support of the applicant's Service of years.
20. Explanation of the cause of delay in submission of application until when the applicant appears from the statement of service to have ceased to do duty on the
21. Explanation why the applicant was retained in Government service from to when the Medical Certificate was dated
22. Medical Certificate in prescribed form showing the applicant's inability to serve longer, vide Government Notification published at page 740 and 632, Volume 1 of Gazette for 1858 and 1863, respectively.
23. Explanation as to why the applicant produced the Medl. Certificate, 21 days after he ceased to do his duties instead of on or before his retirement from last employ

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(Translation)

To

The Tahsildar of
Chidambaram -

During the month of May last when Sèshagiri Raw, your Office Head Gumasta, appeared before me at Porto Novo he was informed that he would have to give up his post, but might submit his application for pension if he did it at once. As he has not done so, you must now send him up at once to me, in order that I may personally examin him and remove him from the service if incapable. He will without doubt be removed from service, and therefore he ought to send in his application for pension if he wants one -

Vridachalam
27th November 1867 } (Signed) W. F. Hathaway
Sub Collector
(True Translation)

W. F. Hathaway
Sub Collector

Collector

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Pens/68 Dept.
Lr No 52

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produced the Med. Certificate, if any
after he ceased to do his duties instead
of on or before his retirement from
Govt. employ.

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Copy

of the order passed in the Office
Memorandum Book.

Sheshagiri Rau, gumasta of Chidambaram Taluk, is exceedingly old and apparently quite incompetent to do work. He is told that if he wants a doctor's certificate to support an application for pension, he should at once apply for such certificate. The orders are given in March 1867. He has now had more than six months time for availing himself of this indulgence and declines to take advantage of it. He is therefore sent for to this office to be attached to it for the present and do work there, so that I may be able personally to satisfy myself as to whether he is fit or not. He appears, and now is unable to read and write. He gives an excuse that he wants spectacles, and has left his behind. This seems a mere excuse since being ordered to attend

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and do work at this office, he ought of course to have brought with him spectacles or any thing else that was necessary for such work. He is now ordered to go and get every thing of the sort that he wants, and will be suspended till he returns.

South Arcot Sub Collector's office Vridachalam 11th December 1867 } (Signed) W. F. Hathaway
Sub Collector

(True Copy)

W. F. Hathaway
Sub Collector

Collector

Recd/68 Dept.
In No 5-23.

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produced the Med. Certificate,
after he ceased to do his duties inst
of on or before his retirement fro
Govt. employ

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(Translation.)

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To

Seshagiri Raw
1st Gumasta, Chidambaram Taluk,

As it appears from the report of the Chidambaram Tahsildar that you are incapacitated by old age for further service you will have to give up your work from inability to perform it. If therefore your service entitles you to pension, you had better submit your application with the usual Medical Certificate before you are dismissed from your post.

Vridachalam 14th May 1867 } (Signed) W. F. Hathaway
Sub Collector.

(True translation)

W. F. Hathaway
Sub Collector.

Collector

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No 1

Rev/68 Dept.
Lr No 593.

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produced the Medl Certificate,
after he ceased to do his duties
of on or before his retirement
Govt employ—

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Of the endorsement passed on the petition presented by Shéshagiri Row gumasta of Chidambaram Taluk dated 8th January 1868.

The petitioner has been informed a great many times that if he likes to apply for pension direct, he is at liberty to do so: but that the application will not be sent through this office; as the petitioner is discovered to have been for a long time totally unfit for work, and was therefore drawing pay for a long time that he did not deserve.

Further an opportunity was given him 9 months ago to forward his application for pension, and as he did not choose to avail himself of that opportunity, the time granted for doing so has now elapsed, and he has been dismissed for incapacity.

South Arcot
Sub Collector's office
Vridachalam
17th January 1868

(Signed) W. F. Hathaway
Sub Collector

(True Copy)

W. F. Hathaway
Sub Collector

Collector

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Pens/68 Dept.
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From

C. W. Reade Esquire
Collector of South Arcot

To

The Examiner of Claims
Madras

Sir,

In resubmitting the Register of Application for Pension in behalf of Sashagery Row, I have the honor to state that this individual, as already stated, by me was suspended by the Sub Collector from 11th December 1867 for having failed to put in his application for Pension within the time prescribed by the Sub Collector. The Applicant made up his mind to retire, only after he was suspended by the Sub Collector, and consequently the Medical Certificate was obtained by him after the suspension.

2 Translations of the Orders of the Sub Collector regarding this Applicant and a Copy of that Officer's letter* are sent for perusal. It is scarcely necessary

* Dated 21 May 1868 No. 191.

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necessary for me to add anything to what I have already stated in the Register on behalf of this individual, and I remain of opinion that it is hard to deprive the Applicant of his claims for Pension on the simple ground that he failed to apply for it within the time prescribed. I have no hesitation therefore in recommending the applicant for a Pension of Rs. 6, to which he is entitled under the Rules.

3 The omissions pointed out in the Register have been all supplied

South Arcot

Camp at Cutchy
Ellis Choultry
North Bank of Ponnear
8th June 1868

I have the honor &c

Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

Collector

No 191.

Sub Collector's Office
Porto Novo 21st May/68.

From W. T. Hathaway Esqre
Sub Collector of South Arcot

To J. W. Reade Esqre
Collector of South Arcot

Sir,

In answer to your letter 374 of the 19th instant, I have the honor to send copy of my Original Order of suspension which I wrote at the time in English in the Office book. On going to Chellumbarum in April 1867 I found that the Head Goomastah Thasejirie Row was utterly incapable of doing work. In fact he ought to have been made to retire many years ago when he first became unfit, as the drawing of pay for

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From
The Collector
South Arcot
To
The Examiner of
Claims
Madras
Dated 8th
Recd 3rd June/68.
No 86
Enc: 8.

Resubmits the Register of Application for Pension on behalf of Tuckashie Row with the additional information required

Pens/68 Dept.
In No 523.

for so long by a man absolutely incapable of doing a proper day's work was somewhat a fraud on Government, but I told him that in consideration of his long service I would allow him to retire at once & would send on his application for Pension - He entreated to be allowed to go on for some time longer so as to complete a period of service that would give him a claim for a larger Pension - but this I positively refused. I warned him that if he did not avail himself of the grace allowed I should myself turn him out of Office & then the opportunity of applying for a Pension would be gone - See order of 14th May 1867 translation of which is enclosed - He did nothing however towards availing himself of this Concession but still went on

on with his work as usual without taking any steps to apply for Pension - I sent him repeated warnings to the effect that I did not wish to be hard upon him & deprive him of the chance of getting a Pension, but that I was absolutely determined that he should not go on any longer - To all this he paid no attention whatever - I waited month by month for his application - but he did not show the slightest regard to my warnings - I therefore at last on the 27th November 1867 issued an order translation of which is enclosed that as he would not attend to my advice I now had no option but to dismiss him & therefore ordered him to attend at my own Office & do work there till further orders so that I might test him with different work so as to be able to record definitely the exact measure mention of his incapacity and the details of the examination that I had held. He came to my Office and I directed certain work to be given to him but he refused to do any thing and loitered about the Verandah all day long. I then called him up and spoke to him. He at first would do nothing but overwhelm me with a torrent of entreaty that he might not be disturbed but might be allowed to go on as he had been doing. At length to my repeated questions as to why he had refused to take any work, he replied that he had left his spectacles at Chellumbaram & without them could not read or write. I told him at once to go and get them and as he ought to have provided himself with all such appliances that

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he wanted, since my order particularly specified that he was to do work at my Office till further orders, I suspended him till he did provide himself with whatever was necessary for performing such work. He still loitered on however day by day without making any attempt to do what I had told him but waking up at length to the fact that I was really in earnest, he then began petitioning for leave to retire, & to have his application [illegible]. To this I was obliged to reply that the time had passed, that he was dismissed and that therefore I could not forward his application for Pension. At the same time I took steps to put his son, a young passed Candidate, into Office, as I considered that this was only one in recognition

recognition of the long service of the Father—

I am extremely sorry that he would not attend to my advice of applying for a Pension when he had the opportunity, & the Government may be willing to pass over his foolish perversity & put it down to the imbecility of old age— It is somewhat difficult to deal with these superannuated Talook Officials— A Tahsildar is generally too compassionate, or [illegible] to take steps against them himself or report the extent of their incapacity, but yet the establishment allowed is so small that it is hardly fair to him to allow his Office to be so encumbered, & it therefore becomes necessary to exercise some such supervision myself, & insist on all

all the Goomastahs attaining at least some very low standard of ability— I cannot say whether this man can still read & write, as he would not give me the chance of finding out. I need hardly say that I have in no way supported the present Application for Pension, as I told the Goomastah plainly that unless it were sent in while he was still in Office, he would be utterly precluded by the Rules from obtaining a Pension—

I have &c.

(Signed) W. F. Hathaway

Sub Collector

(True Copy)

Collector

best employ—

Pens/68 Dept A
Reg. No 23.
D. No 231.

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No 44

**Register** *of an application for ~~Superannuation~~ Pension under Pension Rules published under date 3rd May 1864, from the Establishment of the* Sub Collector *of* South Arcot

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Full name of Pensioner | Asuvapalli Sashagheri Rao | | | | | |
| 2 | Sect or caste... | Braumin | | | | | |
| 3 | Residence | Tindivanam | | | | | |
| 4 | Present post | Head Gumasta in Chillambram Talug, S. Arcot | | | | | |
| 5 | Date of commencement of service... | 24th October 1835 | | | | | |
| 6 | Date of retirement from service | 11th December 1867 | | | | | |
| 7* | Abstract of the grounds of application. | 1. ~~Good service~~<br>2. Inability to serve longer<br>3. ~~Reduction of Establishment~~ | | | Years. | Months. | Days. |
| 8* | How long unemployed, and under what circumstances. | 1. ~~Resigned the service from~~ | „ | to „ | „ | „ | „ |
| | | 2.† ~~Reduction of Establishment from~~ | „ | to „ | „ | „ | „ |
| | | 3. ~~Suspended from~~ | „ | to „ | „ | „ | „ |
| | | 4. ~~Dismissed for misconduct from~~ | „ | to „ | „ | „ | „ |
| 9 | Total of service before 22 years of age... | | | | „ | „ | „ |
| 10 | Total of service not in Pension grades... | | | | 10 | 9 | 15 |
| 11 | Total of leave other than privilege and preparatory leave... | | | | „ | „ | „ |
| | | | | Grand Total... | 10 | 9 | 15 |
| 12 | Total period in Pension grades counted as service | | | | 21 | 4 | 7 |
| 13‡ | Age of the applicant at the time of this application... | | | | 53 + mo 4. | | |
| | | | | | | Feet. | Inches. |
| 14 | Height | | | | | 5 | 3 |
| 15 | Descriptive marks.— A Cicatrix two inches in length on the right side of the belly about two inches below the ribs & an incised cicatrix on the right thumb near the apex. | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Rs. | A. | P. |
| 16 | Average salary of past 5 years | | | | 20 | „ | „ |
| 17 | Proposed amount of Pension... | | | | 6 | „ | „ |
| 18 | Date from which to commence | 11th December 1867 | | | | | |
| 19 | Place of payment | Tindivanam Talug. South Arcot | | | | | |

* *N. B.*—The reason of the applicant's retirement and of his being unemployed for the periods given being left, the other grounds of retirement and reasons of break in employment should be erased with red ink.

~~† It is hereby certified that no gratuity was drawn by the applicant on reduction of Establishment in the year~~
~~It is certified that gratuity having been granted was refunded to the amount of Rs. A. P.~~
~~Order sanctioning payment of gratuity was~~
~~Amount of gratuity granted was Rs. A. P.~~
~~Refund of gratuity was credited to the account for the month of 186~~

DA & AG. Office
Recd 19 3 1868
Ansd

‡ I do hereby certify, that to the best of my belief the applicant's age above stated is correct. & that the services of the applicant have been verified from the records of this office. The service in eligible grades had been proved from the April Lists of Establishments & that in ineligible grades had been proved from the vernacular records of this office

Dy Collector

Collector

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### Statement of total period of Service.

| Establishment. | Post. | Pay. Rs. | A. | P. | Period. From | To | Yrs. | Ms. | Ds. | Accountant General or Controller of Military Accounts Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Late Trivadi Taluq | Police Peon | 5 | " | " | 24th October 1835 | 15th March 1836 | " | 4 | 23 | Need not be verified as these services cannot be counted for pension |
| Cuddalore Taluq | Davastanam Gumasta | 7 | " | " | 16th March 1836 | 16th December 1842 | 6 | 9 | 2 | |
| Do | Head Do | 8 | 12 | " | 17th Decr. 1842 | 5th Augt. 1846 | 3 | 7 | 20 | |
| Tindivanam Taluq | Do | 14 | " | " | 6th August 1846 | 20th March 1857 | 10 | 7 | 15 | |
| Trinamalai Taluq | Do | 14 | " | " | 21st March 1857 | 31st October 1858 | 1 | 7 | 11 | |
| Tindivanam Do | Do | 14 | " | " | 1st Novr. 1858 | 31st July 1860 | 1 | 9 | " | Verified from the Records of this Office. Pay drawn up to 10th December 1867 W Donald Examiner of Claims |
| Do | Do | 20 | " | " | 1st Augt. 1860 | 22d July 1863 | 2 | 11 | 22 | |
| Elavanasur Do | Do | 20 | " | " | 23d July 1863 | 31st Augt. 1863 | " | 1 | 9 | |
| Chillambram Do | Do | 20 | " | " | 1st Septr. 1863 | 10th December 1867 | 4 | 3 | 10 | |
| | | | | | | Total...... | 32 | 1 | 22 | |

| | Years. | Months. | Days. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deduct service before 22 years of age ... ... | " | " | " | | | |
| Deduct service not in Pension grades ... ... | 10 | 9 | 15 | | | |
| Deduct leave ... ... ... ... ... | " | " | " | 10 | 9 | 15 |
| Net period of Service...... | | | | 21 | 4 | 7 |

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| Explanation of Column 8 with quotations of orders of reinstatement. | Explanation of any degradation. |
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| None | None |

| Detail of leave on half pay and full stoppage of pay. From | To | Yrs. | Ms. | Ds. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| None | | | | |
| | Total of leave... | | | |

**Remarks by the head of the Office on past character and conduct of the applicant throughout the service.**

The applicant has served Govt. upwards of 32 years, during which time he seems to have conducted his duties satisfactorily. He is now disabled for further service as will appear from the Medical Certificate accompanying. The applicant has been suspended on 11th December last, & finally dismissed by the Sub Collector for incapacity on 17th January 1868, in consequence, it appears from the Endorsement given to the Applicant by that Officer, of having failed to forward the application for Pension within the time allowed by him. The Collector however considers that it will be very hard to deprive the applicant of his claims for Pension on the simple ground that he has failed to apply for it within the time fixed, & as no fault has been attributed to him during the whole period of his long service except the charge of incapacity which has been attributed to him by the Sub Collector in the last eve of his service, & as the Collector considers that his incapacity at this last stage must have been the result of his age, the Collector resolves to recommend the applicant for a Pension equal to one third of the average salary drawn by him during the last 5 years, & omitting the fractions of a rupee in the one third the Collector would fix the Pension at Rs/6 (six) per mensem to commence from 11th December 1867 the date on which he was suspended by the Sub Collector & ceased to do his duties —

Collector

South Arcot Collr. Office,
~~The~~ Punrooty 16th March 1868.

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Service qualifying for pension is proved for

In the last 5 years of his service the ~~averag~~

Applicant is eligible to a pension of Rupees

the last 5 years, under Clause II 6

The so called the applicant, it is ap Pension as they were re it was needless for h His age &c rendering his duty.

Collectors' Office,
19th March 1868.

To

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PENSION 1868 DEPARTMENT.
No 323.
From the Examiner of Claims
Fort Saint George,
To the Chief Secretary to Government,
Civil Pension Department.
No 631
Dated 19th June 1868
Received 22
Enclosures.
Verifies the service
of Sashagheri Row
late Head Gomastah of Chellumbrum Talug
borne on the establishment of the ~~Collector~~
of South Arcot.

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PENSION 1868 DEPARTMENT.
No 322.
From the Collector of
South Arcot.
To the Accountant General ~~or Controller~~
~~of Military Accounts~~
Madras.
Dated 17th } March 1868.
Received 22nd } June "
No 44
Register of an application for Superannuation Pension in behalf
of Sashaghiri Row
late Head Gomastah in Chellumbrum
borne on the establishment of the Collector
of South Arcot —

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ORDER OF GOVERNMENT.

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Pension Department

## PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following ~~letter~~ Papers

From Colr of South Arcot – (Here enter 17 March /68)

Repor of the Examiner of Claims (Here enter 19 June /68 No 631)

Order thereon 21st July 1868 No 231.

Aruvapalli Seshagiri Rao, late Head Gomastah in the Chillambaram Taluq, South Arcot District, has been in Government Service upwards of 32 years, of which 21 years 4 months 7 days count for service – The register states him to be 53 years of age – the Medical Officer 60. and from the references to his old age which are made ~~this~~ would

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would seem the more probable estimate. He is certified wholly unfit for further service. His pay for the last 5 years has been Rs 20, and he is recommended to receive Rs 6, or Annas 8 less than the full pension to which he is eligible. This amount Rs 6 the Government are pleased to grant him with effect from the 18th January 1868. ~~11th December 1867 when he ceased to do duty.~~

2. The circumstances of this man's removal from office are peculiar. The Sub Collector, when visiting the Talug in March 1867, found him quite worn out and unfit for duty, and directed him to apply for pension, and in the order threatened dismissal if he did not obey. He did not apply, and in Nov. 1867 Mr Hathaway directed him to come to his office. This he did and begged to be allowed to remain longer and do his work. He was directed to read and write before Mr Hathaway and excused himself saying he had left his spectacles behind. He was ordered to go and fetch them and suspended. He still hung about the office and at last asked leave to retire, but was told by Mr Hathaway that he was dismissed, and that he was now ineligible for pension.

3. The Government remark that from his own account the Sub Collector's action was greatly deficient in judgment, and in that courteous consideration which

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It is observed that this applicant was dismissed by the Sub Collector on the ground of incapacity and because he obstinately refused to apply for pension –
The Govt in consideration of the applicants long service, consent as recommended by the Collector to reverse this order of dismissal, and to direct that the applicant be considered as having been relieved from duty from the date of the order of dismissal. 4th May. 68. RL

I think the order may stop here. Mr Hathaway gave the man plenty of warning before dismissing him – and went so far as to give an appointment to his son – The man, had it not been that he is probably nearly imbecile from age, deserved to lose his pension, but as an act of grace the Govt may see fit to grant it RHL

Something omitted here?

He will draw pay up to this date, and pension from the following day. AW.

The Collector of South Arcot.
Accountant General
with Register for entry

which is due to an old man almost doting, who had been worn out in the service of Government, and whose only fault was a foolish wish to go on in his old groove.

4. It was no doubt Mr. Hathaway's duty to see that an inefficient man was removed from an office, the duties of which he could no longer perform, but the obvious course, when the Gomasta tacitly refused to send in his pension application, was to remove him from office by suspension, informing him that his pay would cease until he had appeared before the Medical Officer. A pressure thus brought would have produced very early obedience, and when the certificate was once obtained, the pension application might have been prepared and sent in without further reference to the applicant.

5. Mr. Hathaway must have been aware that the Government would at once reverse his order of dismissal, which they now do formally, so that the applicant is merely in the position of one relieved from duty on the day of his so called dismissal.

C.W.

Pension

Pens 1868. Department.

~~F. Jn. 31 A 17~~

No. 231.

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 21st July 1868.

No application
Recd [illegible] of the 21
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