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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Pension **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 209		~~Press~~ Mis.
Dated 12-5-		1870.

Not to be folded or roughly handled

I, James Smith Acting Civil Surgeon of Cuddalore do hereby Certify that I have carefully examined Syed Meer Saib Tahsildar of Kullacoorchee Talug that his age is by his own statement 57, and by appearance about the same, and that I find him to be unfit for further Service from Chronic Rheumatism, not in my opinion attributable to intemperance or other irregular habits.

Jas. Smith

Cuddalore
7th August 1869

Assistt. Surgeon
Acting Civil Surgeon

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Memo. 3/

The U.S. to Govt Tab & Depts is directed with reference to para 4 of ~~this~~ Memorandum dated 31 Augt 1869 ~~to~~ upon the pension claim of Syed Meer late Tahsildar of Kallacoorchee, to request the Collr of South Arcot, to specify some of the acts & proceedings ~~which~~ of Saiyid Meer "which might have involved a younger Officer in serious consequences" & ~~to state~~ from what period "favourable ~~testimony~~ to his general conduct of affairs" has ceased to be given, & whether his inefficiency of late years has been such as to take his service out of the category of approved service for which alone under the rules the maximum rate of pension (which has been proposed by the Collr.) is to be given.

No. 18 5/c

From

The Dy. Collector in charge of Treasury
Cuddalore.

To

The Examiner of Claims
Madras

Dated 10th } February 1870
Received }

1870

Reference
your letter No. — dated.

Forwards herewith the medical certificate of Syedmir Sahib, late Tahsildar of Kallakurchi, countersigned by the Dy Inspector General, Indian Medical Department.

Deputy Collector.

I, James Smith Acting Civil Surgeon of Cuddalore, do hereby certify that I have carefully examined Syedmir Saheb Taseldar of Kallakurchee Taluq that his age is by his own statement 57, and by appearance about the same, and that I find him to be unfit for further service from Chronic Rheumatism, not in my opinion attributable to intemperance or other irregular habits.

(Signed) J. Smith
Asst. Surgeon
Ag. Civil Surgeon

Cuddalore
7th August 1869.

(True Copy)

Deputy Collr.

Submitted thro'
Dy Inspector General
Indian Medical Department
Southern District —
on Inspection Tour —

For The Deputy Inspector General Ind. Medl. Dept
Presidency Division
Cuddalore. 3d February 1870

I, James Smith Acting Civil &
Surgeon of Cuddalore do hereby certify
that I have carefully examined Sye
Meer Sahib Tahsildar of Kullakarche
Taluq, that his age is by his own state=
ment 57, and by appearance about
the same, and that I find him to be
unfit for further service from Chronic
Rheumatism, not, in my opinion, attri=
butable to intemperance or other irregular
habits.

Cuddalore
7th August 1869

Signed. J. Smith.
Assistant Surgeon
Acting Civil Surgeon.

True Copy

Charles Reade
Collector

No. 187

From, P. L. Roberts Esqre
Sub Collector in Charge of South Arcot.

To, W. Donald Esqre
Examiner of Claims.
Madras

Your docket No. 1468 dated 5th Instant

Returned

The original Medical Certificate called for in the above docket is herewith sent, and it is requested that it may be returned for the countersignature of the Deputy Inspector General being obtained in it on his next visit to this Station which will be early in the ensuing year. If you think that the countersignature in a Duplicate will suffice, you need not return the original now sent.

P. L. Roberts

Sub Collector in Charge

The Collector of South Arcot

To

The Commission of Claims Madras

Dated 9th
Recd 3 Decr 1869

No 187

Enclosure 1.

Forwards the Ori-
ginal Medical Cer-
tificate granted to
Syed Meer Kalib
Waldron of Kal
-ously -

Recd 26/1/70

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No 17

From,
C. W. Reade Esqre
Collector of South Arcot

To,
Honble R. S. Ellis C.B.
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Official memorandum of the Under Secretary dated the 28th January No 7. A. Pension Department calling on me to specify some of the acts & proceedings of Syed Meer "which might "have involved a younger "officer in serious consequences" and to state from what period "favorable testimony to his general conduct of affairs" has ceased to be given, and lastly "whether his inefficiency of late years has been such as to take his service out of the category of approved service for which alone under the Rules the maximum rate of pension is to be given"

2. "The papers and correspondence from which are to be gathered the acts and proceedings of

of Syed Meer calculated to involve him in serious consequences are somewhat extensive, & without being able to trace the precise date when his inefficiency & unfitness showed itself I may state that shortly after the introduction of the new Penal Code & Criminal Procedure Code Syed Meer's incapacity was more prominently brought to notice. It was about that time when all Officers were authorised to take down examinations in magisterial trials in their own hand that for the first time I discovered that Syed Meer could do little more than sign his name. He subsequently took 6 months leave to improve himself and he certainly did do his best, and he is now able to write though neither readily nor very intelligibly. After this he became involved in unceasing disputes with the Sheristedar of his taluk and after an elaborate investigation into serious matters forming charges against the latter officer, I recorded

the

the following opinion on the 3d May 1867 on the report of the Deputy Magistrate Mr. Wright-

"Having thus "disposed of the immediate "matter calling for final "orders in these Papers it "remains to notice several "points connected with "the case of the Sheristedar "bearing on the conduct of "others & especially of the "Tahsildar. This Officer "has been allowed by "sufferance to remain "where he is, but there can "be no question that he "is not fitted for the "post, and had he

"been placed in the management
"of any other but this easiest
"of all Taluqs he would long
"since have been forced to
"relinquish his position
"of Tahsildar. In the present
"instance it is manifest
"that if the Tahsildar had
"been an efficient officer
"with a proper control over
"his subordinates the unseemly
"proceedings brought to light
"in these papers could not
"have occurred. While
"doubtless the Sheristadar
"may be mainly to blame,
"and his temper and
"disposition may render
"it difficult for his
"subordinates to pull with
"him

"him and thus present
"hindrances to the proper
"carrying on of public
"business, still if the
"Tahsildar as head of the
"Taluq was equal to the
"Post and was really an
"efficient he would be
"able readily to keep things
"in order and would never
"be engaged in unseemly
"strife and disputes with
"his next in command
"and he would moreover
"know how to keep the
"petty servants in their
"proper places, but he
"seems wholly without
"control over these latter,
"and

"long stay in Cullacoorchy
"or utter incapacity to
"discharge his duties &
"without the aid of his
"subordinates absolutely
"does not command the
"respect which is due
"to him from his subordinates.
"They do not obey his orders
"properly. He has besides
"a brother-in-law of his
"employed under the Polygar
"Aria Gounder as a
"contractor, and the
"records show what
"undue influence is
"possessed by the Polygar,
"and how his subordinates
"harass our ryots. There
have

"have been already complaints
"that the Tahsildar does
"injustice in cases between
"the Polygar and the ryots
"and from what has
"transpired as brought to
"light in the foregoing
"paragraphs, I am
"inclined to believe there
"is some truth in it."

"I am aware
"that the Tahsildar is
"about to take six months
"sick leave, but as the
"return of Syed Ameer
"Saib to Cullacoorchy is
"unadvisable in my
"humble opinion both
"on his own account & in
"the

"the interests of the Service
"I beg that Syed Meer
"Saib may be transferred
"to some other Taluq."

4. In the foregoing I have shown, I think, that the incapacity of Syed Meer would have involved a younger officer in serious consequence, and in my belief nothing short of entire removal must have followed, and I have also explained that this incapacity became apparent almost simultaneously with the introduction of our new Criminal laws; for while

4/ while under the old Regime a Tahsildar was little more than a Head Police officer and his magisterial authority was almost nil, under the change of system he became suddenly invested with high & responsible Magisterial functions for which neither by education nor by training was Syed Meer fitted.

5. As regards the 3rd point, namely, whether Syed Meer's inefficiency has been such as to take his services out of the Category of *approved Service* I could not

conscientiously answer otherwise than in the affirmative but his case is so peculiar and a similar one is so unlikely ever to arise that I still think it may be treated exceptionally.

6. That Syed Meer's original appointment to such a Post as Tahsildar of a Taluq was an abuse of Patronage can admit of no question. His very inability to write sufficiently evidenced his unfitness and should have precluded his nomination to the public service; still in former

days

days South Arcot was notorious for very daring and outrageous robberies of all kinds & especially for those known as Torch light Gang Robberies, and Syed Meer had proved himself courageous and active on several occasions in inferior posts; at that time too there were no roads in Cullacoorchy, and it was a part of the District wherein robbers found shelter in the Hills and other localities, and as far as I can learn Syed Meer was at the time considered the man for the place, the more so as he was a Mussalman and he had rendered good service as a petty Police Officer.

7. Had things remained as they then were and the Law also, I dare say Syed Meer would have still maintained his character, but with the radical changes since introduced other qualities became of importance, & Syed Meer's incapacity for the higher responsibilities required of him was soon apparent, and even had his health

not

not failed he must have been forced into retirement.

8 Under the peculiar circumstances, therefore, of Syed Meer's Case I think the Pension to which he is strictly entitled by length of service may be granted, & the standard of approved service should not, in my opinion, be applied to Syed Meer. As already Explained he is one of the old school who in his day has fulfilled his mission & has worked himself

up to his present position, and it seems hard to measure his services by a test which, if rigidly enforced, would be fatal to the claim to pension agreeably to service of any of his stamp & class.

The Case of Syed Umer is suggestive of the necessity there is for reducing the period of service for which a pension may be given without a Medical Certificate. I have already written on this subject, and it is one, I think, which, in view of the many old servants still allowed to hang on in order to complete their full time, is deserving of consideration at the hands of Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt

South Arcot
Collrs Office - Camp
Villapuram
26th March 1870.

Charles Reade
Collector

Pension 1870. Deptᵗ.
From No. 270.
The Collector of
South Arcot

To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Madras

Dated 26 } March 1870
Recd 4ᵗ April

No. 17.

Reporting on the Acts and Proceedings of Syed Meean Sahib late Tahsildar of Kullacoorchy together with his own opinion of that Officer.

O. No. 209.
12ᵗ May/70.

Memo

The case of this Tahsildar is peculiar. He has been in the public service as verified for a period of 22 Years, of which he has served 12 Years as a Tahsildar. His respectability and good character has never throughout his service been called in question, but he clearly was never qualified for the office he now fills according to the existing standard. He is one of the old class of public servants, and was first appointed to the public service through the favor of some high official, and, as it would appear, because of his supposed special aptitude in catching thieves and detecting crime which at one time was so rife in the District of South Arcot, and it is to his credit that notwithstanding his educational shortcomings (for he can even now barely read and write) Syed Meer has been able to maintain his ground and to rise to the high post of Tahsildar of a Taluq.

2. Syed Meer was in the District as Tahsildar when I joined it, & although his want of education soon

attracted

attracted my notice, and I clearly saw that he was not in his proper place & still his character and the conduct of his duties were such as to give me no real ground for recommending his degradation to a lower Post, and it appeared to me a harsh measure to get him ousted merely because of those defects which ought to have debarred his original appointment in public employ, rather then be urged against him after his lengthened service and his advanced period of life.

3. About 6 months ago Syed Meer was sick and took leave under the

Rules, and he now seeks to be admitted to a Pension of one third of his present Salary, or Rupees 58-4-" the proportion to which, under the Pension rules, a Servant of his standing & position is ordinarily entitled. But Syed Meer of late have shewn himself very inefficient in the conduct of Magisterial work, and many irregularities and illegalities were brought to my notice by the Deputy Collector in Charge, and in the case of any other Servant his conduct would un=doubtedly have merited and demanded more substantial notice than a mere reprimand, but I

I was willing to attribute his misdoings & shortcomings to ignorance and defective education, rather than to any wilful disobedience of, or deviation from, the Procedure laid down by Law, and in view of his sickness and the Certificate of the Zillah Surgeon on which leave was granted to him I was reluctant to take further action against him, since at such a juncture when on the eve of retiring through sickness, I felt his chance of a pension might be jeopardised, a measure of severity I should have regretted in consideration of the high character always borne by Syed Meer throughout his career, and of his services in the early part of it.

4. I confess, however, that I am very glad to get rid of Syed Meer as a Tahsildar because I have always felt anxious & uncertain in regard to the proper management of his Taluq, but all the Deputy Collectors under whom he has served have till recently borne favorable testimony to his general conduct of affairs, and only very lately the present Deputy Collector in charge was compelled to report to me many acts & proceedings in Syed Meer's Magisterial capacity which undoubtedly might have involved any younger officer in serious consequences. I had thought to await his return from sick leave before determining on the course to be pursued; meanwhile the Tahsildar has produced the Medical Certificate now attached to his application for Pension, and I have felt it my duty to annex this separate Memo in order that Government should be informed of the peculiarities of the applicant's case to

enable them to determine whether it should be treated in any way exceptionally in fixing the amount of pension to be granted.

South Arcot
Collr's office
Cuddalore
31st August 69.

Edward Beale
Collector

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To
The Chief Secretary
Govern
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The humble memori
Sied Meer Saib Tahsild
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South Ar

Most Humbly sheweth,

I most respectfully
to your honor's noble consideration
following circumstances with the
hope that my prayers may be g

I have spent most
of my life in the services of the Gove
such as Tahsildarship and other
for the last 23 years with great f
deligence and zeal, but now a
turned old and infirm and was
I am further incapable of future
the Civil Surgeon and the Medic
Deputy Inspector General who ex
me personally were of opinion
I am 57 years old and unfit for
service and consequently furnis
me with a certificate testifying
infirmity. I therefore beg tha
be recommended for pension
consideration of my long serv
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lelity and good character particularly
y best endeavours I have taken in
ncreasing the Beriz of the Circar and
rofiting the Government in various
ses means exhibited in the following
way; but as I am ignorant how I was
recommended by Mr Reade the Collector
bout my conduct and fidelity I have
ken the liberty to beg that your Honor
ll be pleased to weigh the following
erences and sanction my pension
hich I am justly entitled to.

2 With reference to Mr Reade's
etter No 6 dated 7th January 1863 the
onorable Board of Revenue in their
roceeding No 715 dated 5th February
63 have remarked that I am fully
alified in the duties of Tahsildar and
t the Collector's opinions regarding my inefficiency
ualifications are in-admissible.

3 With regard to another letter
o 39 of Mr Reade the Board of Revenue
ue stated in their Proceeding No 890
ted 13th February 1869 that I am
competent person for my duty.

4 I am surrounded with a
rge family and children and still
my chief view was to gain a good
ame and reputation and to bring
y good character to the notice of the

Government I took much trouble
and pains to cause a spacious choultry
or Choultrum to be built by the side of a
public road at a cost of Rupees 6830-5
for the accomodation of Travellers and
Pilgrims and brought the same to the
notice of the Govt. whereupon His Ex
cellency the Governor in Council with
reference to the Board's letter No 5462
dated 23rd August 1867, was pleased to
pass an order No 2662 dated 6th September
1867 ~~new~~ granting Maniam lands referred there
for the support of the Choultry.

6 Mr Reade the Collector in
his Takeed No 43 dated 11th November
1862 and in the Takeed No 10 dated
15th January 1865 and another Takeed
No 72 dated 16th February 1866 gladly
observes that I am expert in conducting
Anaul or Proceedings in the Collection of
money regularly and otherwise possess
thorough experience in conducting the
other Revenue works.

7 Of 23 years service under
the Honorable Government I was in
the situation of Tahsildar for 12
years in Hallecsoorly under the Collectorate of this
Zillah and during all that time
I discovered many Chapavany
lands

ands and trees fixed Teervah thereon and
ade waste lands fit for cultivation.
Likewise took much pains in causing
reservoirs to be dug for the irrigation
[illegible] lands in such places where there
[illegible] no water and when the crops were about to be
scorched. It is by my utmost endeavours
[illegible] collection by me of money in my District
xceeded 100,000 Rupees than by others who
ere appointed previous to my having
their charge of that District. I Also
onverted waste lands into government gardens, & so
r increasing the Beriz of the Circar:
here is not a balance of kist in my
ility even a single cash in my
ime. I have likewise taken pains for
increase of Circar Beriz in
several other means for the benefit
the Government. The motive of my
xplaining thus all these circumstances
to bring them to your Honor's noble
onsideration at this time.

Mr. Reade, the Collector, is fully
nsible of my good character qualifications
nd my fidelity but as I am ignorant
his view as to how I am recom-
ended about my conduct regarding
my pension I request your

Honor

Honor will be pleased to ins
the above records together with
letter and grant sanction for
my pension which I am fu

And in doing the
of benevolence and charity
Humble Memorialist as in
bound shall ever pray.

Cuddalore
6th February
1870

collecting the same

No 325 of 1870

From Syed Meer Saib Tahsildar of Kallakoochi in South Arcot

Dated 6th February 1870
Recd 9th February 1870

States that his faithful service under Govert extends to 23 years, that he is now 57 years old & unfit for further service as pronounced by the medical officers who granted him a certificate to that effect, that he rendered to Govert service in increasing the [illegible]

without falling in arrears – that ~~the~~ ~~collr~~ what opinion the Collr has given of his conduct in recommending him for pension to Govert.

Referring to certain letters written by the Collr to the Board & their proceedings thereon prays that on perusal of the same a pension to which he is justly entitled may be sanctioned to him

Pens. O. No 209.

No 129

Register *of an application for Superannuation Pension under Pension Rules published under date 3rd May 1864, from the Establishment of the* Collectorate *of* South Arcot. 47

1	Full name of Pensioner...	Syed Meer Sahib			
2	Sect or caste...	Musulman			
3	Residence	Tirppapur			
4	Present post	Tahsildar of Kullakurchi			
5	Date of commencement of service...	1st September 1846			
6	Date of retirement from service	7th August 1869.			
7*	Abstract of the grounds of application.	~~1. Good service~~ 2. Inability to serve longer ~~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...		"	11	4
11	Total of leave other than privilege and preparatory leave...				
		Grand Total...	"	11	4
			22	11	8
12	Total period in Pension grades counted as service				
13‡	Age of the applicant at the time of this application		57	"	"
				Feet.	Inches.
14	Height			5	8½
15	Descriptive marks.—	A scar at the right corner of the left eye & a large mole on the Calf of the left leg. Color-Bamboo.			
			Rs.	A.	P.
			175	"	"
16	Average salary of past 5 years		58	4	"
17	Proposed amount of Pension...				
18	Date from which to commence	7th August 1869.			
19	Place of payment	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. 186
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

DA & AG. Office
Recd 3 9 1869
Ansd 186

‡ I do hereby certify, that to the best of my belief the applicant's age above stated is correct, and that the alleged services are proved from the records of this Office.

T. Hoya..yans
Acting Deputy Collector

Statement of total period of Service.

Establishment.	Post.	Pay. Rs.	Pay. A.	Pay. P.	Period. From	Period. To	Yrs.	Ms.	Ds.	Accountant General or Controller of Military Accounts' Remarks.
Trivadi Talug	Kottaval	14	"	"	1st September 1846	31st August 1848	2	"	"	
Cuddalore Talug.	do	14	"	"	1 September 1848	18 December 1849	1	3	18	
do	Cusba Police Ameen	25	"	"	19 December 1849	28 February 1855	5	2	13	Verified from the records of this Office
Mannargoodi Talug.	Sherishtadar Peshkar.	35	"	"	1 March 1855	6 September 1857	2	6	6	
Kullakurchi Talug	Tahsildar	100	"	"	7 September 1857	24 October 1860	3	1	18	Pay drawn up to 6th August 1869 only
do	do	175	"	"	25 October 1860	6 August 1869	8	9	13	W Donald Examiner of Claims
						Total......	22	11	8	

	Years.	Months.	Days.
Deduct service before 22 years of age	"	"	"
Deduct service not in Pension grades	"	"	"
Deduct leave	"	11	4
	"	11	4
Net period of Service......	22	"	4

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

Detail of leave on half pay and full stoppage of pay.

From	To	Yrs.	Ms.	Ds.
Leave on half pay.				
5 January 1863	5 July 1863	"	6	1
4 March 1869	6th August/69	"	5	3
	Total of leave...	"	11	4

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

During a period of 22 years' service the applicant has been Tahsildar for upwards of 12 years. His conduct throughout has been good. He is now declared to be disabled for further service from Chronic Rheumatism as stated in the accompanying Copy of the Medical Certificate. There is only one Medical officer at this station & the Government notification dated 28th September 1866 published in the Fort Saint George Gazette at Page No 572, provides that, in such cases a Medical Certificate signed by one Officer, will suffice pending ~~the~~ the first visit to the Station by the Deputy Inspector General whose Countersignature should then be obtained - The Collector therefore begs to recommend that a pension equal to one third of the average monthly salary of the applicant for the past 5 years amounting to Rs (58-4-0) fifty eight and annas four be sanctioned from the 7th August 1869 - the date of the Medical Certificate.

South Arcot Collector's Office,
The 31st August 1869.

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Ag Dy Collector

C. Hardcastle
Collector

No. 15

REPORT OF THE Examiner of Claims

	Years.	Months.	Days.
Service qualifying for pension is proved for a total period of...	22	"	4
	Rs.	A.	P.
In the last 5 years of his service the ~~average~~ pay of the applicant's permanent post was	175	"	"

Applicant ~~is~~ will be eligible to a pension of Rupees 58-4-" per mensem, equal to 1/3rd of his ~~average~~ salary during the last 5 years, under Clause II Section 6 of the Revised Pension Rules. on Medical Certificate being Countersigned by the Deputy Inspector General Medical Department

W Donald
Examiner of Claims

Fort Saint George
Accountant General's Office,
21st January 1870.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Civil Pension Department.

PENSION 1869 DEPARTMENT.

No. 45.

From the Examiner of Claims

Fort Saint George,

To the Chief Secretary to Government,

Civil Pension Department.

No. 65

Dated 21st
Received 22nd January 1870

Enclosures.

Verifies the service
of Syed Meer Sahib
late Tahsildar of Kullacoorchy
borne on the establishment of the Collr.
of South Arcot.

O. No. 209
12th May/70

PENSION 1870 DEPARTMENT.

No. 44

From the Collector of
South Arcot

To the Accountant General ~~or Controller~~
~~of Military Accounts.~~
Madras.

Dated 31st
Received August 1869.

EXAMINER OF CLAIMS 1869 SEP 3 MADRAS

No. 129

Register of an application for Superannuation Pension in behalf
of Syed Meer Sahib
late Tahsildar of Kullacoorchi Taluq
borne on the establishment of the Collectorate
of South Arcot.

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ORDER OF GOVERNMENT.

51/2

Pension Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following ~~letter~~ papers.

From the Collector of South Arcot. (Here enter 31st August/69 No. 179)
Report of the Examiner of Claims. (—"— 21st January 1870, No. 65)
From the Collector of South Arcot. (—"— 26 March 1870 No. 17.)
Petition from Syed Meer Saheb. (—"— 6th February 1870.)

Order thereon 12th May 1870 No. 209

S. D. S.

N.

A. J. A.

Syed Meer Saib, late Tahsildar of Kullacoorchy in the district of South Arcot, has served for pension 22 years and 4 days and has been declared physically unfit for further service.

2. The Collector recommends him for the maximum rate of pension (viz one third of his pay, or Rs. 58-4-0) which can be granted under the rules; but has submitted a Memorandum and a further explanatory letter, in which he states that, as a Tahsildar and Sub Magistrate

the applicant has of late years been inefficient and has not been well thought of by his superiors; that he was unable to manage his subordinates; and that though a courageous and efficient Head of Police under the old régime he is an illiterate man and was quite out of place as a Tahsildar and Sub Magistrate, being unable to avoid gross errors in the performance of the duties imposed on him by the Codes.

3. The Government are unable to discover any specific charges of misconduct brought against the applicant of sufficient gravity to call for a reduction of the amount of pension. It was the duty of the Collector and Magistrate of the District to have taken notice of any acts of the Tahsildar shewing his unfitness for his office and to have recommended

his

his retirement at an earlier period or his employment in some office of less responsibility. It is evident that Syed Meer performed excellent service as a Police Ameen and that he was promoted to the post of Tahsildar when the duties of that office were less onerous than they now are.

4. His Excellency in Council therefore resolves to grant to Syed Meer Saheb, under Clause II Section 6 of the revised rules, a pension of Rs (58-4-0) fifty eight and annas four, per mensem with effect from the 7th August 1869.

5. Syed Meer's petition No. 325 of 1870 will be endorsed "Petitioner is referred to the Collector who will communicate to him the orders passed by Government on his application for pension."

To the Collector of South Arcot
— " Accountant General
Para 5 to Petitioner Syed Meer Saib
} Despd 13/5/70

Grant of pension to
Syed Meer Sahib, late
Tahsildar, S. Arcot.

Govt. of {1870} Madras.

Pension

To

The Collector of
South Arcot

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C: 15th April
R. 5th May