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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	232	~~Press~~ Mis.
Dated	4-6-1870.	

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No 44

From

To

Sir,

Berhampore Zillah Court
2nd February 1870.
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The Civil and Session Judge
Berhampore

The Under Secretary to Government,
Public and other Departments
Madras

With reference to your memo No 41,
dated January 20, I have the honor to inform you
that the progress made by Wully Mahommed in
accounting for the missing records is as follows:

Deficiency reported	Records	Accounted for, up to 31 st Jan 70	Records
on 20 th November 1869	1576	Wholly	190
since that date	42	In part	5
Total	1618	Total	195

2. Of the records here entered as accounted for,
a large no were long ago sent to other Courts: but it
is possible that some, at least, of them have been
returned; and ought to be found here. I have
addressed each Court on the subject.

3. I have taken pains to reduce to the least
possible amount the labour of examining the records.

but it is of necessity a very slow process. It has taken $3\frac{1}{2}$ months to examine the records of the last eight years: and it will take at least as much more to examine those of earlier years. But I must again observe that if a pension be now refused to Wully Mahomed, or be granted with immediate enjoyment, there will be no one interested in bringing the records into order: and the work will never be done. It is very desirable that it should be done: and to secure it, I beg to suggest that a pension be granted to him; but that it be not disbursed till further orders. The duties of a record keeper, and the penalties to which he is liable, are set forth in Regulation 13 of 1802.

4. Meanwhile, large bundles of records are being received from the District Munsiffs every month: and they must be left unopened till the transfer of the existing records is finished. The extent to which the ^{English} ~~Civil~~ Courts are burdened by the accumulation of useless records, I pointed out in the letter which led to your memo.

5. With reference to para 2 of your memo, I enclose a copy of the proceedings suspending &

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suspending and removing Wully Mahomed.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

J. Thompson

Civil & Session Judge.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Zillah Court
of Berhampore dated 10th June 1869

Going into the Civil Record keepers office
this morning, I found there 1^o the Civil Record keeper,
2^o Fakir Muhammad Hussen, 3^o "Voluntary" is
K. Tirumal Row — (The other copyist came in after-
wards, and sat down at what seemed to be his
own desk: "having merely gone to quench his thirst.")
and 4^o a man who was said by the Record
keeper first to be "a man who wanted a copy of a
record," and then to be "a Voluntary." He himself
said that he had been sent by one Sheshayya
Pantulu for a copy.

The Civil Record keeper having delibe-
rately told me a lie, he is suspended for two
months, from such time as a substitute is
found. Arrangements for filling up the
vacancy will be made shortly.

Sd/ J. C. Thompson

Civil & Session Judge.
(True Extract)

J. Thompson

Recd. 10/12/70.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Hillah Court of
Berhampore dated 12th June 1869.

Under Proceedings ^{Sudder} ~~Sudder~~ Court 5th September
1859, and 21 March 1860, no party or copyist is allowed
access to a Record-office. Yet on the 10th instant,
as is recorded above, I found in the Civil Record-
office two copyists and a messenger from some pri-
vate individual. That this was improper was evidently
known to the Civil Record keeper: since he told me
a falsehood in order to conceal the fact.

On some frames I found mixed up the
records of different Courts and different years:
while the records of the Tekkali Court, at least, are
unnecessarily distributed over different rooms.

The Criminal Record keeper had on his desk
bundles of Criminal Records of the years 63, 66,
67, 68, & 69, at least: while he was engaged in
destroying Civil Records of the Rayavaram Dist.
Munsiff's Court for the year 1849 and of the Parushot-
tapuram Munsiff's Court for the years 1840 & 1846!
He could hardly make out the writing of them: though
it was about noon; and a fairly bright day! Of his
own records the useless parts have not been destroyed.
He says Mr. Good orally told him not to destroy them
till the useless Civil records had all been destroyed.
In support of this assertion he showed me notes from

former Sheristadars and Head writers; not to the purpose. On his own showing, he, as well as the Civil Record keeper, ought to have been employed on the destruction of useless Civil Records: and yet none have been destroyed except those of the Civil Court of Chicaole, from 1843 to 1860. The order for destruction has been in force about nine years! and neither of these men can have much work to do in such a Court as this.

4. Vally Mahommed, Civil Record keeper, has drawn Rs 28 a month or more ever since February 1828, i.e. for forty one years. The only commendation given to him by preceding Judges has been that he is "respectable": and Mr. Flood added that he is "getting superannuated".

Mootossamy Moodelias, Criminal Record keeper, appears to have been Head writer in the Principal Sudder Ameeris' Court at Behapoor, for one month, at some unknown time before 1843: and in December 43 he became 1st writer in that Court. He also is therefore a servant of very long standing: and of him also Mr. Flood remarked last year that he was "respectable: but getting too old for more work" This remark was endorsed by the late A. J. Civil Judge.

5. Neither of these old men can be allowed

any longer to hinder business. Their posts will be declared vacant as soon as efficient substitutes can be found: and that there may be no delay in obtaining pensions for them, measures will at once be taken to collect all the information required for their applications. Each of them should apply at once to the Civil Surgeon for a Medical Certificate.

B. A notice will forthwith be published on the notice Board and in the District Gazette, inviting candidates to apply on Saturday June 26. In each case, an acting appointment for two months only on probation will be made. Each candidate should state whether he will be ready to accept a lower appointment in the Court in the event of his failing to obtain a Record keepership.

(Sd.) J. C. Thompson

Civil & Session Judge.

(True Extract)

J. Thompson

Civil and Session Judge.

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8th
20th June



Proceedings of the Madras Pension Department.

From the Civil Judge of Berhampore
 + Head of the Government.
 + Read against list of 10 Jan 1870 No. 20.
 + Read also the following papers.
 + Min. mem. of the Pension Department for Berhampore and 2 Feb 70 No. 4.
 + a draft order, Report of the Examiner of Claims (H. E. 6 Jan 70 No. 17)
 + a memorandum Order of June 1870 No. 32.
 In order

On the 6th October 1869 the Civil Judge of Berhampore forwarded to the Accountant General an application for pension on behalf of Wally Mohamed late Civil Record Keeper in his Court. The Examiner of Claims forwarded it to the Chief Secretary on the 16th January 1870. In the meantime the Judge had addressed Court on the 24th Nov. 1869 with a view to suspending Wally Mohamed's pension until he had accounted for certain missing records. The Judge was called on by G.O. of the 13th Jan 70 No. 20 for further information.

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Pension 1870 Department

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From the Civil Judge in July
 Berhampore
 To the Pension Secretary
 Madras -

Dated 27th February } 1870
 Received -

Enclosure 1.

Informing that certain missing records were accounts for by the late Civil Record Keeper Wally Muhammed, and suggesting that a pension be granted to him, but that if he not discharged to him till the records are brought in order.
 Pension No. 232.

2. The Judge now reports that Wally Mahomed has made progress in accounting for the missing records, but that little more than a third have been actually found. From the Proceedings of the Judge it appears that the Record Keeper was dismissed for incapacity arising from old age.

3. Wally Mahomed will be informed that the question of his receiving pension or not will depend on the extent to which he satisfies the Civil Judge with reference to the condition of the records lately under his charge. As the process of examining the Records appears to occupy some time, he will be allowed till the 31st

31st August 1870. to tender his explanation.

4. The Civil Judge will report at the expiration of the period mentioned in the last para, whether in his opinion the conduct of the late Record Keeper with reference to the records under his charge, ^{should} affect his claim for pension.

Civil Judge of Berhampore } Dec 4/6
Accountant General }

But, of 1868 *Albany*.

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R. D⁴ June
 No. 232.
 Encl.

O. L. 4th June 1870 1868, No. 232.

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I confess that the claim to the
 living of Mr. Andrews is a second
 copy of the Seraphim spirit
 and will be considered as
 no truer his explanation
 of the certain infusing words.

C: 10 May 70
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