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Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

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Dated	1st May	1872.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Pension Department,
1st May 1872.

Read the following papers :—

From the Inspector-General of Police, dated 29th January 1872, No. 317.
From the Acting do. ,, 10th April ,, ,, 1277.

ORDER THEREON, 1st May 1872, No. 301.

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3. Sashiah was only thirty-three years of age at the time; he had served ten years in the Police Force, and is reported to have been a deserving and rising officer.

4. Taking into consideration the exceptional circumstances of the case, and the fact that Sashiah has been so much crippled by the injuries sustained as to be incapacitated for earning his livelihood for the future, the Honourable the Governor in Council resolves to recommend to the Government of India that a pension of Rupees (6) six per mensem, equal to half the pay of his rank, be conferred on Sashiah from the date of his removal from the Police Force, viz., from 28th December 1871.

(True Extract.)

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Inspector-General of Police.
,, Collector of Kurnool.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

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No. 139 6/4/72

With reference to his letter 29th Jan No. 317 ~~the~~ the Acg Inspector General of Police is requested to state the amount of pension which he recommends in the case of Head Constable [illegible] No. 813 of Kurnool Force. ~~[illegible]~~

To,
The Inspr Genl of Police

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We the undersigned do hereby Certify tha we have
refully examined 4th grade Head Constable Shasiah
. 813 of the Madras Police Kurnool Dis ict; that
is age is by his own statement thirty thr and
y appearance about the same age and at we
ind him to be unfit for further Service from
Severe wounds received about five mo ths ago
which resulted in the loss of one eye, and of
three fingers of right hand with the lo of use
of the corresponding arm not in our opinion
attributable to intemperance or other ir gular
habits.

J. L. Ranking
Dy. Inspr. Genl of Hospitals
President of Committee

urnool
7th December 1871

Charles W. Spencer
Civil Surgeon Kurnool
Member.

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Enclosure No 1.
In a letter from the Inspector
General of Police dated
Madras 29 January 1872
No 317.

Gratuity Application

Pens. 108/72.

FORM No. 5.

POLICE SERVICE AND SUPERANNUATION FUND.

APPLICATION for ~~COMPASSIONATE ALLOWANCE~~ Gratuity under Rule I. Kurnool District.

Full name of the individual for whom the allowance is asked.	Present Rank.	Present ~~age~~.			Period of service in each Grade.					Abstracts of the grounds of the application.	Remarks by the Superintendent of Police, on the general character and conduct of the applicant throughout his service.	Explanation of any degradation.	Proposed amount of Compassionate allowance.
		Age	Grade	Pay	Date of entering each Grade.	Date of leaving each Grade.	Years.	Month.	Days.				Rs.
Sashiah Old No 1019 Now altered to 813 in June 1861.	4th Grade Head Constable	Years 33 - months 2 - days 17	4th Grade Head Const.	Rs 12 - " - "	12th October 1861 as 1st Class Constable	31st August 1864	2	10	20	Vide Certificate attached	Good	Vide Extract from Establishment Register	94
					1st September/64 Deputy Constable	30th June/71	6	10	"				
					1st July 1871 4th grade Hd Constable	27th December/71	"	5	27				
						Total	10	2	17				

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
Kurnool District,
27th December 1871.

Allan
M.D.
~~Deputy Inspector General of Police.~~

J Hicks Captain
Superintendent of Police.

No. 519 District Police Office
Kurnool 28th August 1871

From
The Superintendent of Police
Kurnool

To
The Assist. Inspector General of Police
Madras

Sir

In continuation of my letter No. 497 dated 23rd instant I have the honor to report the following further particulars—

About 2 A. M. on 22nd instant Head Constable Hamed Beg & 3 Constables sleeping at [illegible] were [illegible] by hearing loud cries and on rousing up saw Hd Cons. Ragavend Row striking Head Con. Sashiah with a sword, the latter was lying down in the place where he had been sleeping & seemed to be dead. Head Constable Hamed Beg and Constables immediately cried out, on which Ragavend Row desisted from his attack, but presented a loaded pistol at them and with a drawn sword in his hand threatened to kill them if they interfered with

man was

with him. He further said that he had killed the Inspector (Meenatchiah) in his house & also a dancing girl who was sleeping with him. The Constables had all been sleeping in the Verandah outside the Station & it was soon perceived that Ragavend Row had locked the door so as to prevent any access to the arms in the Station. Hd Cons Homed Beg keeping one Constable with him to watch Ragavend Row, sent off the remaining Constables to raise the alarm, which they accordingly did & at about 4 a.m. Inspector Thorpe arrived on the spot with a party of the town Police, as they approached Culloor Station Hd Cons Ragavend Row challenged & threatened to fire on them if they came any closer. The party then halted, while Inspector Thorpe went with Head Cons Homed Beg to ascertain the truth about Inspr Meenatchiah (This Inspector had only recently been posted to Culloor &c

with it was found he had been living in the same house with Hd Cons Ragavend Row) and on entering the house with the village authorities Meenatchiah's body was found hacked about in the most fearful manner & with life quite extinct. The body of one Narasammah a dancing girl was found in the same room also covered with wounds. The handle and scabbard of a native sword were also found lying on the ground near Inspector Meenatchiah's body. Inspr Thorpe then returned to the Station & under his directions Head Cons Meah Sail arrested Ragavend Row, this he did by pointing out the futility of any resistance, as he had now an armed party against him & after a few words Ragavend Row quietly gave himself up & handed over his sword and pistal to Head Cons Meah Sail. the sword was covered with blood, the point

man was

point bent, & blade notched, the hilt was off and instead a handkerchief was wrapped round to give a good grip & in one corner of the handkerchief 18 ball cartridges & 76 percussion caps were found tied.

Head Cons Sathiah was found covered with blood, but with life not extinct he was therefore at once sent off on a cot to the Police Hospital where he still lies in a most precarious state, he has had 3 fingers cut off his right hand and has been frightfully wounded about the head and ribs.

After this an Inquest was held, and the prisoner made a full confession before the Sub Magistrate of Kurnool Town, he stated that Inspector Meenatchiah had released 2 prisoners in a case of housebreaking, which he had taken great trouble to detect and threatened that he would have him (Ragmenda Row) prosecuted for

fabricating evidence and that, as Head Cons Sashiah had joined with the Inspector in procuring evidence against him, he determined to kill them both. He accordingly armed himself with the Inspr's double barrelled pistol and his own native sword & locking up the remaining arms proceeded to where he knew Inspector Meenatchiah was sleeping, he found him fast asleep and placing the pistol against his head & pulled the trigger, but the caps missed fire, he then put on fresh caps & tried again, but with the same result. He then determined to use his sword & states that the first blow seems to have killed the Inspr. but as he continued his blows, a woman he had not perceived before suddenly got up covered with blood & he determined to kill her also to prevent her giving evidence against him. after this he states he proceeded to the station where Head Cons Sashiah was sleeping & tried to kill him in the same way. The prisoner has repeated this statement before me & is now under trial before district Magistrate. The sword he gave up covered with blood, can be proved to belong to him, it can also be proved that the hilt & scabbard found near the dead bodies belong to the same sword.

There are also 2 witnesses who saw him coming from the house where murder was committed. It is also a fact that Susp^d. Meenatchiah had the previous night released 2 prisoners on bail, who had been charged with housebreaking by the prisoner Ragavend Row, so that altogether there is a strong case against him

(True Copy)
F. Hicks Capt.
Superintendent of Police

I have &c.
(Sd) F. J. Hicks Captain
Superint^t. of Police

No 751

District Police Office
Kurnool 29th December 71

From
The Superintendent of Police
Kurnool

To
The Asst. Inspector General
of Police
Madras

Sir

I have the honor to forward a Medical Certificate pronouncing Head Constable Sashiah No 813 unfit for further service.—

2. The usual application for gratuity is also forwarded, but in consideration of the manner in which this Head Constable became thus mutilated, he may perhaps be thought entitled to a pension.

3. I enclose a copy of my letter reporting how Head Constable Sashiah was attacked & wounded by Head Constable Ragavend Row, who has since

suffered the extreme penalty of the law for the murder of Inspector Meenatchiah.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt. Sert.
J Hicks Captain
Superintendent of Police

From
The Superint.dt of Police
Kurnool

To
The Asst. Inspr. G.l
of Police
Madras

No. 751
Dated 29th Decr } 1871
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Forwards appli-cation for gratuity for Hd. Const. Sathi
No. 813 pronounced unfit for further service.—

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Encl: No. 2

In a letter from the Inspr. General of Police dated Madras 29th January 1872 No. 317.

From
The Supdt of Police
Kurnool

Dated 29 Decr. 1871 No. 751

Recommending for the grant of a pension or gratuity

Pens 108/72.

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Audit.

No. 1277
Chief Office of the Inspector General of Police,
Madras, 10th April 1872

From
The Ag Inspector General of Police,

To
The Secretary to Government,
Pension Department,
Fort Saint George

Sir,

Enclosures. None.

With reference to your Under Secretary's memo No. 13 of 6th April, I have the honor to recommend that a pension of Rupees 6 per mensem i.e. the half pay of his rank be granted to late Head Constable Sashiah No. 813 of Kurnool District. At the time he was disabled by the murderer Ragavand Row, he was on duty in his station House and was the 3rd Victim of his infuriated attack. He had served faithfully for ten years in the Police.

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was a deserving and a rising Officer in the Department when permanently disabled for further service being at the same time so crippled as to prevent his earning his livelihood in any other way.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedt. Servant

W. L. Bruen Major.
Ag. Inspector General of Police.

Pension 1872 Dept.

No. 626.

From
The Ag Inspector General
of Police,

To
The Secy to Govt
Pension Deptt
Fort St George

Dated 10 April 1872

No. 1277

Recommending for the Grant of a Pension of Rs. 6 pr. mensem to the late Head Constable Sashiah of Kurnool Distt.

Audit
No. 317.

Chief Office of the Inspector General of Police
Madras, 29th January 1872.

From
The Inspector General of Police.

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George

Sir,

Enclosures Two

I have the honor to submit for the orders of Government an application for the grant of a gratuity to 4th Grade Head Constable Sashiah No. 813 of Kurnool Police.

2. The constable has served for more than ten years in the Police and has borne a good character. He is now unfit for further service as certified by the Medical Officer.

3. Sashiah would have been entitled to a gratuity of Rupees 120 under

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under the Rules of the Police superannuation Fund.

4. I beg to submit for the information of Government letter No. 751 dated 29th December 1871 from the Superintendent of Police Kurnool showing the manner in which Head Constable Sashiah was rendered incapable of further service and suggesting that a pension should be allowed to him.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obed.t Servant
C. [illegible]eam
Inspector General of Police

Accountant General's Office
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From No. 434.

The Ag Accountant General

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Referred to the Accountant General for report

Fort Saint George
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H. Wellesley

Under Secretary to Govt

To the Accountant General

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No. 108.

From

The Inspector General
of Police.

To

The Chief Secy
to Govt
Fort St Geo:

Dated 29th January 1872
Recd 31st " "
No. 317

Submits for orders an application for the grant of a gratuity to an Head Constable Kurnool District Police - GO 301

No. 689

Report of the Accountant General

Head Constable Sashiah No. 813 of the Kurnool Police is entitled under the Police Superannuation Pension Rules to a gratuity of 10 months pay. If however the Government should think that he is entitled to an extraordinary pension under the peculiar circumstances of his case, a recommendation to that effect will have to be made to the Government of India under section 118 of the Civil Pension Code.

Fort Saint George
Acctt Genl's Office
1st March 1872

R. W. Goodrich

Ag Accountant General

To The Secretary to Government
Pension Department

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Pension Department,

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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To the Ag Inspector General of Police 6
— " — Collector of Kurnool 3
— " — Accountant General 6

20 Copies order above

Govt. of {1872} Madras.

Pension

To
No. 969

The Inspector General
of Police &c.

Dated, May 1st }
Recd, } 1872, No 301.

Nos.

Resolving to recommend to the Govt. of India the grant of a pension of Rs. 6 per mensem to Sashia late a Head Constable of the Kurnool Police

e:22d. April