

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	372	Press Mis.
Dated	10th May	1872.

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referred to the
Chief Secretary to
Govt.

I think we should
grant a pension
as a special case.

I should like to
know whether the
Memorialist is really
descended from the
Chief who gave the
English their first
asylum. N.

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Public Department
Memorandum

The Under Secretary of Government Public Department is directed to request that the Assistant Secretary to the Board of Revenue will be so good as to forward to this Department for perusal the Report of Major De Hairland of his visit to Angaragapattam dated 8th June 1882, which it is understood is among the records in the Board's Office.

Fort St. George

4th November 1881

J. C. Stokes
Under Secretary

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OFFICE OF CONTROLLER OF MILITARY ACCOUNTS,
Fort Saint George, 5th March 1872.

From

The Controller of Military Accounts,

Fort Saint George,

To

Under
The Secretary to Government.

Pension Department.

Sir,

As requested in your Memorandum
of the 6th February 1872 No. 1, I have the
honour to inform you that the total period

Military Board Office

of the service of C.
Venkataraman
Naidoo before his
discharge in 1852
were shown in my
report of the 18 August
1871 &c, the details
of which are as per
Margin -

The service
also rendered by
the above individual
as Head Record Keeper
in the Chief Engineer's
Office from 1 August
1855 to 30 September
1856

As Clerk from 1 April 1873 to 30 June 1874 at Rs. 17-8-0	3-1-0
As D ^o from 1 July/74 to 31 July/77 at Rs. 20-0-0	3-1-0
As D ^o from 1 August to 31 October/77 at Rs. 21-0-0	3-1-0
As D ^o from 1 Nov ^r /77 to 31 March/79 at Rs. 23-0-0	1-5-0
As D ^o from 1 April to 30 June/79 at Rs. 25-0-0	3-1-0
As D ^o from 1 July to 31 July/79 at Rs. 28-0-0	1-1-0
As D ^o from 1 Aug ^r to 30 Sept ^r /79 at Rs. 29-12-0	2-0-0
As D ^o from 1 October to 30 Nov ^r /79 at Rs. 33-0-0	2-0-0
As D ^o from 1 Dec ^r /79 to 31 Aug ^r /80 at Rs. 27-0-0	9-0-0
(The cause of this degradation is not shown in this Office records)	9-0-0
As D ^o from 1 Sept ^r /80 to 30 Sept ^r /81 at Rs. 28-0-0	1-1-0
As D ^o from 1 Oct ^r /81 to 28 Feb ^r /83 at Rs. 31-0-0	1-5-0
As D ^o from 1 March 1883 at Rs. 34-0-0	1-0-0
As Deputy Assistant Record Keeper from 1 April/83 to 31 Dec ^r /84	1-9-0
As Clerk from 1 Jan ^r /85 to 31 Aug ^r /85 at Rs. 70-0-0	8-0-0
As D ^o from 1 Sept ^r /85 to 31 March/86 at Rs. 65-0-0	6-10-0
(The cause of this degradation is not shown in this Office records)	6-10-0
As D ^o from 1 March to 31 May/86 at Rs. 67-3-0	2-21-0
As D ^o from 1 June/86 to 31 March/87 at Rs. 70-0-0	5-10-0
As Head Record Keeper from 1 April/87 to 30 Sept ^r /80 at Rs. 75-0-0	8-1-0
As Head Record Keeper from 1 May/80 to 8 March/81 at Rs. 110-0-0	10-8-0
As D ^o from 9 March/81 to 29 June/82 at Rs. 115-0-0 (latter the date on which he was discharged)	1-3-22
	24-3-0

Under Secretary
Memorandum

Dated 4th February 1872

1856 has been verified by the Accountant
General and the cause of his appointment
being dispensed with on the 30th September
1856 is not traceable from the records of
the above Functionary.

3. The Accountant General states
that he appears from Extract Minutes of
Consultation 1st December 1857, N^o 2214, to
have received a gratuity of 6 Months Salary.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

W. D. M. S. A. L. C. C.
Secretary of Military Accounts

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 1st December 1857.

No. 87. Extract from a letter from the Honorable Court of Directors, dated 23rd September, No. 20 of 1857.

Letter from, in Public Works Department, dated 21th October, No. 19 of 1856.

Submits, for consideration and orders, copies of papers connected with an application from Vencatarungum Naidoo, Head Record Keeper of the Chief Engineer's Office, praying to be allowed to count for pension a continuous service, notwithstanding his having on one occasion been for more than 12 months without public employ.

4. We now reply to the following letter and Extract which have been transferred to this Department.

5. This applicant's dismissal appears to have resulted from misconduct, he having been suspected of complicity with his brother, a Wirter in the Record Department of the same Office, in communicating information derived from official papers to parties tendering to execute Public Works.

6. The grounds urged in support of the Memorialist's application are, that within a year after his dismissal your Government having accorded your sanction to his re-employment in the Public Service, he was restored by the Military Board to employment, in their Office. To this re-employment, in the same Office from which he had been dismissed, you however objected, and Vencatarungum was not re-appointed to the public service, until the expiration of more than a year, from the date of his dismissal.

7. Although you do not alter your opinion of the justice of the Vencatarungum's dismissal, you recommend, in consideration of his previous high character, and long period of service, the grant to him of a moderate amount of pension. To this recommendation we are unable to accede, but we sanction the grant to Vencatarungum of a Gratuity equal to six months' Salary.

(True Extracts.)

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 88. ORDER THEREON, No. 2214; dated 1st December 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer with reference to his letter dated 13th September 1856, No. 6501.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Financial Department, dated 16th November 1857, No. 729.

5. Transferred to the Public Works Department, in which the case of this individual was considered.

From
1872

The Controller of Military Accounts,

To
Fort St. George.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

1872

Dated 5th March 1872
Received 5th March 1872

Enclosures.

Endorsement.

Received the services
of Co. Vencatarungum
& Naidoo in late Military
Branch and Chief Engineer's
Office.

Albion 313th October 1871.

We the undersigned do hereby certify from every enquiry we could make and to the best of our belief and from the accompanying table of Generation that Canacapully Vencalarungum Naides Ordnance Office is a lineal descender of Canacapully Coorocapali Naides formerly Inhabitant of Doogoorazapattam

Edmund Spenser

E. W. Zimmerman, Secy

Manifical Commissioners of the
2^d Division for the Town of Warren

Madras 14th October 1851.

We the undersigned do hereby certify
from every enquiry we could make and to the best
of our knowledge and belief and from the accompa-
nying table of Genealogy that Canacapully Venkata-
-rangam Naidoo Endruan's Office is a lineal descendant
of Canacapully Goorovappa Naidoo formerly an
Inhabitant of Dogonazapattam and mentioned in
Mills History of British India the Armin
prices under whom Canacapully Venkatarangam
Naidoo has performed his religious duties certifies
that on new-moon ceremonies Canacapully
Venkatarangam Naidoo performs services for the
following ancestors leading in a direct line back
to Canacapully Goorovappa Naidoo—

Witnessed by me

G. J. J. Cunningham
Minister for the Town of Peninsular
Division for the Town of Peninsular

Fort St Geo.
14th Oct^r

My dear Sir
Please excuse
my not having an-
swered your former
communication (tentative
name Kaidoo, but I
have not been able to get from
him the certificate
to prove his lineal
descent from Anna-
kupilly Goorovappah
Kaidoo, which I herewith
enclose signed by
2 Messrs Commissioners
Esq; I also enclose
his precatory Tice
(unimpaired)
Copy of a Petition

My dear Sir

In continuation
of my letter of
the 14th forwarded at the
request of Bancatunum
Plumacidus, another
certificate in lieu
of the last sent, as he
considers it is somewhat
stronger

Yrs sincerely

J. H. Stokes

Fort St Geo
Oct^r 16th / 71

To H & Stokes Esq

I think that we should
recommend the
Memorialist for a
moderate pension &
that we might plead
in support of his claim
that there is great ground
for thinking that he is
descended from the
S.O. 3rd Oct 1871 N.
484. From. Naidoo
local officer &
proprietor who gave
the English a fort
at Dagarazpatam
where the vestiges
of their fort still
remain. N

W. H. D.

with reference to H.E.
The Govt. desire to know
whether the allegation
of C. Venkatarama
Nayudu, (late a clerk in
the Ordnance Office who
was granted a gratuity in
the order marginally noted)
that he is descended from
an Soorooappaiah Naidoo
who rendered valuable
services to the English on
their first landing near
Dagarazpatam in 1680
two notes from Col. Bannister
concerning Dagarazpatam

H. H.

Inspector General of
Ordnance & Magazines
are submitted. ~~The~~
~~is~~ Venkatarangam Nay
furnishes a number of
certificates & genealogi-
cal to show his descent
from Govorappah Naidoo,
and though the evidence
is not of an unexceptional
kind, it appears to warrant
a belief that the descent
is genuine. With regard
to the services of Govorappa
nothing can be found in

pages 22 & 23.

Mill's History to which
petitioner Venka taking
refers; but in Major
De Havilland's report
dated 11th July 1822 (which
has been obtained from
the Board of Revenue).
shows that in that year
a definite & apparently
authentic tradition as
to Govorappah & his
services to the English was
current in Dargazipatti.

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No. 256.

FROM

THE HON. W. HUDLESTON,

Offg. Chief Secretary to the Government of Port St. George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for the perusal of the Government of India, the

marginally noted papers having reference to the claims of Vencatarungum Naidoo to a pension which this Government are desirous of conferring on him.

2. The circumstances of the case may be thus briefly stated. In 1852, Vencatarungum, holding the situation of Record-keeper in the Office of the Military Board, was, after a period of twenty-nine years and three months of attested service, suspected of complicity with his brother, a writer in the Record Department, in communicating information derived from official papers to parties tendering to execute public works on contract. A Court of Enquiry appointed to investigate the case, stated that there was no proof of Vencatarungum's active participation in the guilty collusion of his brother, but recorded its opinion that it was scarcely possible that he was unacquainted with it, and that at any rate he was guilty of gross neglect in permitting Contractors constant access to his office, and probably to its records. On this opinion, Vencatarungum was on the 29th June 1852 dismissed from his employment by order of the Military Board—a proceeding which met with the approval of Government in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, 31st July 1852, No. 1826. On a petition received from him, however, the Government in April 1853 intimated that they had no objection to his re-employment in the public service, but subsequently, on being apprised of the Resolution of the Military Board, 14th June 1853, to restore him to employment in their office, the Government objected to such re-employment in the Board's Office, as contrary to the Board's own order and opposed also to the good of the service. This decision of Government was appealed against by Vencatarungum, but was confirmed by the Honourable Court in their Despatches of the 1st March 1854, No. 13, paragraphs 8 to 10, 29th November 1854, No. 102, paragraphs 3 to 6, and 7th November 1855, No. 87, paragraph 3. After his dismissal from the public service on the 29th June 1852, Vencatarungum Naidoo continued out of employ until the 1st August 1855, when on the organization of the Central Office, Department of Public Works, he obtained in it the post of head Record-keeper. The Chief Engineer became strongly impressed in his favour, and when Vencatarungum Naidoo became temporarily incapacitated for work from sickness or infirmity, Colonel Faber on two occasions forcibly urged his claim to a pension on the ground that, before the

E. M. C., dated 2nd June 1852, No. 1375, with enclosures.
 E. M. C., dated 31st July 1852, No. 1826, with enclosures.
 Letter from the Military Board to Government, dated 20th September 1852, No. 192.
 E. M. C., dated 4th April 1853, No. 738, with enclosures.
 Do. " 5th November 1853, No. 2757.
 Letter to the Court of Directors, dated 23rd November 1853, No. 154.
 Reply of Court of Directors, dated 1st March 1854, No. 13.
 E. M. C., dated 23rd June 1854, No. 1772.
 Letter to Court of Directors, dated 18th July 1854, No. 109.
 Reply of Court, dated 29th November 1854, No. 102.
 E. M. C., dated 6th March 1855, No. 758.
 Do. " 3rd April, 1855, No. 1003.
 Do. " 5th June 1855, No. 1647.
 Letter to Court of Directors, dated 7th July 1855, No. 87.
 Reply of Court, dated 7th November 1855, No. 22.
 G. O., dated 29th August 1856, No. 1549.
 G. O., dated 21st October 1856, No. 1933.
 Letter to Court of Directors, dated 24th Oct. 1856, No. 19.
 G. O., dated 1st December 1857, No. 2214.
 G. O., dated 22nd February 1858, No. 303.

File under No. 256 of 1857.

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expiration of a year from the date of his dismissal by them, the Military Board were led to order his reinstatement, and that the charge against him was unfounded. The result of the Chief Engineer's representations was that the Government in a letter to the Court of Directors, dated 24th October 1856, No. 19, requested that they might be authorized to grant Vencatarungum Naidoo a moderate pension. The Court refused assent to this proposal, but sanctioned instead the grant to him of a gratuity equal to six months' pay.

3. In 1858 petitioner was entertained in the Office of the Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines and was employed there for a period of 12 years, 7 months, 27 days, his salary for the last eight years having been Rupees 50. He left the service finally on the 15th July 1871, being pronounced unfit for further duty. Under Clause 1, Section 6, of the Revised Pension Rules, he is eligible to a gratuity of Rupees 600, equal to 12 months' salary, his service being reckoned from the 1st August 1858.

4. The Government, after a careful perusal of the record, cannot but consider that petitioner's dismissal after 29 years' service, was, on the evidence adduced, a measure of extreme severity, and they would view with satisfaction a further mitigation of the consequences entailed by his dismissal in depriving him of the pension to which he would otherwise be entitled.

5. Besides his long service of 45 years and 10 months, Vencatarungum Naidoo has a strong* collateral claim upon the liberality of the Government, owing to his lineal descent from C. Guruvappah, an inhabitant of Dugarazpatam, who about the year 1640 materially aided the British in establishing a settlement there. The services of Guruvappah in this respect are mentioned in the report of Major DeHavilland, who in 1822 was deputed to collect information regarding Dugarazpatam and the neighbouring coast. The current tradition in the village was to the effect that Guruvappah and another man named Armoogum Moodelly (from whom the village of Armoogum was named) were the agents who obtained for the English the site of the settlement. Vencatarungum's descent from Guruvappah has been established by competent native testimony.

6. I am, therefore, to submit the recommendation of this Government that a pension of Rupees 25 per mensem, or half his salary for the last eight years, may, as a special case, be conferred upon Vencatarungum Naidoo, on the refund by him of the gratuities which he has received.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FORT ST. GEORGE,
7th March 1872.

Officiating Chief Secretary.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From,
The Offg. Chief Secy. to Govt.,
Fort St. George.

To,
The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
The India Office, London.

Dated 12th March 1872.

Ref.

No. 256.

Enclosure.

Forwarding, for perusal and favorable consideration, certain papers having reference to the claims of Venkatarungum Naidoo to a pension which this Government are desirous of conferring on him.

No. 2556.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Pensions and Gratuities.

To
THE OFFG. CHIEF SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

FORT WILLIAM, the 12th April 1872.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 256, dated 7th March 1872, I am directed to say that, in compliance with the recommendation of the Government of Madras, the Governor General in Council is pleased to sanction, as a special case, the grant of an invalid pension of Rs. 25 a month to Venkatarungum Naidoo, late a Clerk in the Office of the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, Madras, the grant being conditional on the refund by the man of the gratuities which he has received on two occasions, viz., in 1857 and 1871.

2. The original papers received with your letter are returned.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

Secretary to the Government of India.

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT

Pensions and Gratuities.

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No. 2556.

Dated, Fort William, the 12th April 1872.

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Order drawn to Elmy 1870 No. 3922

The presence of the station conveyed in the
 following the Controller of the Station is required
 and in the name of the Controller the following
 of the Controller General of Ordnance and Supplies
 of the Controller General of Ordnance and Supplies

The Province will be supplied with arms & powder.

Sanctioning as a special case
the grant of an invalid pension of
Rs 25 per mensem to Venkata
Naidoo late a clerical officer
of the Inspector General's Office
Madras.

With an order \$372.

O. S. G. P.—No. 49 C. F.—11.472.—32.

He will still have
the 20th March 1894
in the office
of the 25th March

The Council of the
 the Council on the
 1871

To the Honorable General Pitt Rivers
— " — Cambridge, 10th July 1890.