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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	488	~~Press~~ Mis.
Dated	21-8-	1875.

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RECd No
21 MAY 75
J. H. C.

T.S.C.

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Certified that I have carefully examined Mr P. Gibson Son of Jacob Gibson 3rd English Clerk, Collector's Office, South Arcot. His, age by his own Statement 41 Years and by appearance about 42 Years. I Consider Mr P. Gib to be Completely and permanently capacitated for further Service in Deptt to which he belongs, in Consequen of General Debility. His incapacity doe not appear to have been caused by irregular or intemperate habits.

C Robertson
Surgeon Major
Offg Civil Surgeo

Cuddalore
20th May 75

P. Gibson

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From
The Civil Surgeon
Cuddalore

Dated 20 May 1875.

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Certifying as to Mr. Gibson's unfitness for the public service

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THE ENTRIES IN THESE COLUMNS ARE TO BE REATTESTED EVERY FIVE YEARS; EACH ATTESTATION SHOULD BE CAREFULLY RULED OFF THE DATE MAY BE CLEARLY SHOWN

Name of Officer.			Prospero Gibson
Caste or Race.			East Indian
Residence.			New Town Cuddalore
FATHER'S	Name.		Jacob Gibson
FATHER'S	Residence.		New Town Cuddalore
Date of birth.			14th July 1835
Age.	Years		38
Age.	Ms.		5
Age.	Days.		17
Exact Height.	Feet.		5
Exact Height.	In.		9
Personal marks for identification.			A small black mole on the right side of the nose and a scar on the left shin.
Date of Entry.			31st December 1873
Signature of Officer.			P Gibson
Signature and designation of the head of the Office.			Ag. Collector

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South Arcot Collrs Office			Rs								
Letter Writer	Permanent		10½	"	3d 7 Augt/54.	D Gibson			25-5-55	Promotn	
Do	Do		14	"	26 May/55.				14-12-55	Do	
Maramut Do	"		15	-	15 Decr/55.				7-2-56	Do	
Military Do	"		16		8 Feby/56.				25-5-56	Do	
Letter Writer	Acting	Military Writer	17½		26 May/56.		Attentive, handwriting improving. (Signed) G.R. Taylor 8th November 1858 Collector		24-7-58 31-5-58	Do	
Military Do	Permanent		22		2 June/58.				30-9-58	Do	
Do	"		24½		1 Octr/58.				31-5-60	Do	
5th Clerk	"		30		1 June/60				31-10-61	Do	
4th Do Ag:	Ag:	5th Clerk	35	-	1 Novr/61.		An attentive and deserving man. (Signed) A. Hall 4 December 1859 Collector		18-3-62	Return	
5th Do	Permanent		30		19 March/62.				17-6-62	Pro	
3rd Do	"	5 Clerk	45		18 June/62.				31-8-62	Return	
5th Do	"		30		1 Septr/62.				31-12-62	Pro	
Hd Writer Spl Agency Deptt	Ag:	5 Clerk	70		1 Jany/63. +		* Suspended for 4 months, Vide Collector's Order dated 29 January 1863 No.		31-5-63	Retn	
5th Clerk	Permanent		30		1 June/63.				12-6-63	Pro	
3d Do	Ag:	5 Clerk	45		13 June/63.		I believe Gibson to be a steady man and well fitted for his post, I should have promoted him in the office had the opportunity presented itself. (Signed) C.W. Reade 7 May 1871. Collector		5-7-63	Ret	
5th Do	Permanent		30		6 July/63.				31-12-63	Pro	
E. Record Keeper	Ag:	5 Clerk	40		1 Jany/64.				4-4-64	Do	
2d Clerk	Ag:		50		5 April/64.				5-10-64	Ret	
5th Do	Permanent		30		6 Octr/64				31-1-65	Pro	
E. Record Keeper	Ag:		40		1 Feby/65				15-5-65	Ret	
5th Clerk	Permanent		30		16 May/65				2-1-66	Pro	
4th Do	Ag:		35		3 Jany/66.				15-2-66	Ret	
5th Do	Permanent		30		16 Feby/66.				3-6-66	Pro	
French Writer	"		45		4 June/66				31-8-69	Tran	
3d Clerk	"		45		1 Septr/69				2-2-72	Pro	
2d Do	Ag:		50		3 Feby/72				2-4-72	Ret	
3d Do	Permanent		45		3 April/72				26-5-72	Pro	
2d Do	Ag:		50		27 May/72		* Suspended for 21 days, Vide Collector's Order dated 14 October 1872 No.		26-11-72	Ret	
3d Do	Permanent		45		27 Novr/72 *				2-3-73	Pro	

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			Rs								
2nd Clerk	Acg:	3 Clerk	50		3-3-73	P. Gibson	Mr Gibson's conduct has not been satisfactory during my tenure of office & I fear he has changed for the worse since he obtained a testimonial from Mr Reade D. W. Sullivan Asst Collr Jan 23 1874.		25-5-73	[illegible]	
3rd Do	Permanent		45		26-5-73					Retire	
Writer Settlt And Collr office	Permanent		10½		3 Augt 53				25 May 55	Promotion	
Do	Do										
[illegible] Do	Do		14		26 May 55				14 Dec 55	Do	
Indelany Writer	Do		15		15 Dec 55				7 Feb 56	Do	
Writer Collr's office Sub	Acting	Indelany Writer	16	Rs 5	8 Feb 56				25 May 56	Do	
			—		26 May 56				24 July 56	Return	
Indelany Writer	Permanent		15		25 July 56				31 Augt 56	Promotion	
Writer Collr's office	Do		17½		1 Sep 56				24 May 58	Leave	
		Leave on substitute			25 May 58				8 June 58	Do expired	
Do	Do		17½		9 June 58				20 June 58	Promotion	
Do	Do		22		21 June 58				31 May 60	Do	
5 Eny. Clerk of Do	Do		30		1 June 60	P. Gibson			31 Oct 61	Do	
4/5 Do	Acting	5th Clerk		35	1 Nov 61				18 March 62	Return	
5 Do	Permanent		30		19 March 62				30 Apl 62	Degradation	
6 Do	Do		25		1 May 62				10 May 62	Promotion	
5 Do	Do		30		11 May 62				31 May 62	Suspension	
		Under Suspension			1 June 62				24 June 62	Do expired	
5 Do	Do		30		25 June 62				17 July 62	Promotion	
3rd Do	Acting	5th Clerk		45	18 July 62				31 Augt 62	Return	
5 Do	Permanent		30		1 Sep 62				4 Jany 63		
		On half pay			5 Jany 63				31 Jany 63	Suspension	
		Under Suspension			1 Feb 63				31 May 63	Do expired	
5 Do	Permanent		30		1 June 63				12 June 63	Promotion	
3rd Do	Acting			45	13 June 63				5 July 63	Return	
5 Do	Permanent		30		6 July 63				19 Augt 63	Absent	
		Absent			20 Augt 63				21 Augt 63	Do expired	
5 Do	Do		30		22 Augt 63				31 Oct 63	Promotion	

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Record Keeper & Eng 5th	Acting	5 Clerk		40	1 Jany 64	
2d English Clerk do	Do	do			3 Apl 64	
		on Privilege Leave			13 June 64	
Do	Do	5 Clerk		50	13 July 64	
		on Sick Leave			6 Octr 64	
		Leave on forfeiture of full pay			17 Nov 64	
5th Clerk do	Permanent		30		13 Decr 64	
English Records Keeper do	Acting	5th Clerk		40	1 Feb 65	
		Absent			22 Apl 65	
Do	Do	Do		40	29 Apl 65	
5th Clerk at do	Permanent					
2d English Clerk at do	Acting		30		16 May 65	
5th Clerk		Do		50	6 Decr 65	
	Permanent		30		10 Decr 65	
4 Do						
5 Do	Acting	Do		35	3 Jany 66	
	Permanent					
French Writer Do	Do		30		16 Feb 66	
3d English Clerk Do	Do		45		4 June 66	
			45		1 Sep 69	
Do	Do	on Sick Leave			1 Decr 70	
			45		15 Decr 70	
3d Eng. Clerk Do	Do	on Private affairs Leave			5 June 71	
2d Do	Acting	3d Clerk	45		15 June 71	
3d Do	Permanent			50	3 Feb 72	
2d Do	Acting	3d Do	45		3 Apl 72	
				50	27 May 72	
		Under Suspension			8 Octr 72	
Do	Do					
3d Do	Permanent	Do		50	1 Nov 72	
2d Do	Acting		45		27 Nov 72	
3d Do	Permanent	3d Clerk		50	3 March 73	
			45		26 May 73	
Do	Do	on Privilege Leave			10 Octr 73	
			45		10 Nov 73	
		on Sick Leave			12 Nov 73	
		Absent			3 Decr 73	
Do	Do					
			45		13 Decr 73	
		on Sick Leave			13 Feb 74	

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		4 Apl 64	Promotion	
		12 June 64	Leave	
		12 July 64	Do expired	
		6 Octr 64	Leave	
		16 Nov 64	Do	
		12 Decr 64	Do expired	
		31 Jany 65	Promotion	
		22 Apl 65	Absent	
		28 Apl 65	Do expired	
		15 May 65	Return	
		5 Decr 65	Promotion	
		10 Decr 65	Return	
		2 Jany 66	Promotion	
		15 Feb 66	Return	
		3 June 66	Promotion	
	J H Garstin Collector	31 Aug 69	Transfer	J H Garstin Collector
		30 Nov 70	Leave	
		14 Decr 70	Do expired	
		4 June 71	Leave	
		14 June 71	Do expired	
		2 Feb 72	Promotion	
		2 Apl 72	Return	
		26 May 72	Promotion	
		7 Octr 72	Suspension	
		31 Octr 72	Do expired	
		26 Nov 72	Return	
		2 March 73	Promotion	
		25 May 73	Return	
		9 Octr 73	Leave	
		9 Nov 73	Do expired	
		11 Nov 73	Leave	
		2 Decr 73	Absent	
		12 Decr 73	Do expired	
		12 Feb 74	Leave	
		19 May 75	Returned	

SERVICE BOOK

OF

Name.		Prospero Gibson
Caste or Race.		East Indian
Residence.		New Town Cuddalore
FATHER'S	Name.	Jacob Gibson
	Residence.	Cuddalore
Date of birth.		14 July 1835

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Office order

The Treasury Deputy Collector brings to the Collector's notice the fact of the 3d and 5th Clerks, English Department having drawn their pay for December month twice over. It appears that Gibson and D'Vaz the clerks in question assigned their December Salary to Merchants of Cuddalore in Consideration of an advance of the equivalent amount made to them by those Merchants. On receipt of the office Pay abstract the salaries of D'Vaz and Gibson were accordingly paid at the Treasury as arranged, but without informing the Collector of this both Clerks took their salary at

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Yellavanasur on the 10th Instant under the Conditional permission of the Collector that all the Servants who did not draw their pay at Head Quarters might receive it in full in the District. Neither Gibson nor D'Vaz brought to the Collector's notice what they had done and how their salary for December had already been appropriated - on discovery of their act they were both written to and their misconduct was pointed out to them and the Deputy Collector unwilling to bring them into trouble waited until the 22nd of the month in expectation that they would adjust the matter by repaying what they had overdrawn - Their failure

to

to do so and to submit any satisfactory explanation or make any arrangements for the immediate settlement of the overdrawn sum compelled the Treasury Deputy Collector to bring the occurrence publicly to the Collector's notice on the above date. On calling on Gibson and D'Vaz for explanation D'Vaz freely admits his error and pleads necessity and pecuniary embarrassment in excuse and he has since refunded to Government the money he had improperly overdrawn. Gibson while admitting the fact excuses himself on the alleged ground that on drawing his pay in the Taluq he at once apprized the Ad. Head

Clerk cancelling his previous requisition to pay the Cuddalore Merchant and he further states that he fancied the Pay abstract had come to the Collector and not as usual to the Treasury Deputy Collector. Gibson wrote two notes, one on the 2nd requesting his pay for December might be given to Pattabi Chetty and again on the 7th reiterating that request in a note to Mr. Edwards, yet on the 10th or only 3 days after that note was written, he received his salary at Tellavamasur and never informed any one that he had arranged for its payment at Cuddalore and when discovered he sets up the plea that on drawing it in the Talug he at once wrote and cancelled its payment at the Treasury but this part of his statement would seem clearly false for the Head Clerk denies ever having received any such notice or request and none is forthcoming while only Gibson's letter of the 7th repealing his arrangements of the 2nd was received by Mr. Edwards and thus Gibson's conduct appears to the Collector in a far worse light than that of D'Vaz who openly admits his offence and sets up no false defence in palliation.

In matters of this kind too great strictness cannot be observed and no trifling or

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or laxity can be suffered in regard to public money. There are no people more scrupulously sensitive on this point and who more fully recognise this than the natives of the Country and it is impossible that conduct open to such grave exception and which in the ordinary transactions of life as well as under the law would be regarded as strictly fraudulent can be passed over with impunity. The effect of such impunity would be most injurious on all classes and would only tend to greater laxity and recklessness in all public servants hereafter. The Collector therefore resolves to suspend both Gibson and D'Vaz.

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The offence of the former is greatly aggravated by his plea to screen himself and his being at the time at the head of the Department on circuit and of some standing in the office are features in further aggravation of his offence. He will therefore be suspended for four months from the 1st February next. D'Vaz has made the only atonement he could as above explained at the same time it is necessary to mark his offence which is a very serious one and accordingly he is suspended for two months from the 1st February next. It will be understood in the office that hereafter a similar intentional offence on the part of any

Servant

N° J. Sub Collector in Charge

Servant no matter of what grade will subject him to immediate dismissal from the public Service.

Pimrootty }
29 January 1863 } (Signed) C. W. Reade
Collector

(True Copy)

J. H. Garstin
Collector

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B. No. 16.

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14th October 1872.

Mr Gibson, Acting 2 English Clerk, having absented himself from his duty since the 8th Instant, now sends in an application for privilege leave, stating that he is in bad health. If ill, he should have applied for leave at once, supported by a medical Certificate, and not have absented himself without leave.

2. This practice appears to be very prevalent among the Clerks of this office and must be put a stop to. Mr Gibson is suspended till the 1st November.

(Signed) H. E. Sullivan
Acting Collector

(True Copy)

J. H. Garstin
Collector

Mr J. Sub Collector in Charge

Pen in Re 47875

Remarks on the Statement of Services of Mr. Prospero Gibson late 3rd English Clerk Collector's office South Arcot.

Detailed lists of Estts for 1862 + 1863. I. In the detailed lists of Establishments for 1862 and 1863 the date of appointment of the applicant to the post of 5 English Clerk was erroneously shewn as 19 March and 16 March 1862 respectively instead of 1st June 1860

1864. II. In the detailed list of Establishments for 1864 the date of appointment of the applicant to the post of the 2nd English clerk was erroneously shewn as 1st May 1864 instead of 5th April 1864.

1866. III. In the detailed list of Establishments for 1866 the date of appointment to the post of 5 English clerk was shewn as 19 March 1862 instead of 1st June 1860.

1870 IV. In the lists from 1870 to 1875 the

N. J. Sub Collector in Charge

the date of appointment to the post of 3rd English Clerk was shewn 1st February 1870 instead of 1st September 1869.

V. In the list for 1874 the post of 3rd English clerk was entered as vacant prior to the receipt of Boards' Proceedings dated 30th June 1874 No. 1632. — 1874

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VI. In the Pay abstracts for January and February 1862 it was erroneously stated that the applicant was permanent 4th English Clerk while he was only acting. — Pay abstract for January and February 1862.

VII. In the abstract for March 1862 the applicant is shewn as having acted for the post of 5th English clerk which was his permanent post. It should have been acting 4th English Clerk — March 1862

VIII. In the abstract for April 1862 — April 1862

the

the applicant was erroneously shewn as acting 5th English clerk while he had been Confirmed in that post on the 1st June 1860.

February 1864 — IX. In the abstract for February '64 the applicant was shewn as having held the post of English Record Keeper permanently while he was only ag.

Do 1874 — X. In the abstract for February 1874 it was stated that the applicant's name was transferred to Pension list but sick leave having been retrospectively granted for 15 months from 13th February 1874 as per Boards' Proceedings dated 30 June 1874 No. 1632. half pay from 13 February to June '74 was paid on a Supplemental Bill.

XI. Detailed lists of Establishments from 1855 to 1861 and the

English Pay abstracts up to 1860
are not forthcoming–

J H Garstin
Collector

From
The Collector of
South Arcot
To
The Accountant General
Madras

Dated 28 } June 1875
Recd

No. 102
Encl Nos. 5

Recommendation
of the Collector for an
Invalid Pension on
behalf of Mr. P. Gibson
late 3rd Eng. Clerk
Collector's office S. Arcot.

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To be returned with reply on reverse.

AUDIT DEPARTMENT.

Fort Saint George,
Accountant General's Office,
6th July 1875.

FROM THE Asst. to the ~~DEPUTY~~ ACCOUNTANT GENERAL, MADRAS,

TO THE Collector of South Arcot.

VIDE your Application for Gratuity on behalf of P. Gibson–

THE undersigned has the honor to request explanation on the following points.

1.— Whether the applicant's services in the Special Agent's Office from 4th ~~June~~ 66 to 31st August '69 have been verified from the records of that Office, if they have been duly verified, why the undermentioned leave periods (as ~~detailed~~ traceable from the Audit Registers on record in this Office) have not been shewn in the History of his services–

Private affairs leave on ½ pay from 11 Feby to 10 July 67.
Sick leave – – – – from 13 July to 11 Augt 67.

2.— Whether there are any Takeeds or orders forthcoming on the records of your Office in connection with the applicant's absence without leave for 2 days in August '63, and 7 days in April '65– if so, copy of such

Takeeds or orders should be furnished to this Office.

Charles P. Crawley

Asst. to the Accountt. Genl.

No. 115.

Accountant General's Office
Recd 20 7 1875
Apsd

From.

The Collector of South Arcot.

To

The Asst. to the Accountant General Madras.

Vide your docket dated 6 Instant.

The undersigned has the honor to state that the applicant's services in the Special Agent's Office from 4 June 1866 to 31st August 1869 have not been verified from the records of that Office, as Office Copies of the Monthly Pay Abstracts and Leave Statements were not kept by them. No Takeed is forthcoming in the records in connection with the applicant's absence without leave for 2 days in August 1863 but a Translation of Takeed No. 60 dated 1st May 1865 in regard to the absence of 7 days in April 1865 is herewith sent.

Cuddalore
17 July 1875

Actg. Sub Collector in Charge.

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No. 60.

To

The Huzur Vernacular Head Accountant.

As Mr. Gibson the 5th Eng. Clerk of the Huzur English Department appears to have been absent from duty without leave from the 22nd Ultimo, his pay for the period he was so absent has been ordered to be stopped. You will ascertain from the Head Clerk, the No. of days he was absent, and make a deduction from his pay as above directed.

Again as Mr. John D'Monte was absent without leave on the 26th Ultimo you will stop his pay also for that day.

1st May 1865.

(Signed) C. W. Reade
Collector

(True translation)

A. G. Sub Collector in Charge

To

R. W. Lodwick Esquire
Accountant General
Madras

The humble Memorial of P.
Gibson 3rd English Clerk of the
Collector's Office South Arcot
District.

Most Humbly Sheweth,

That with reference to the Application of the Collector J. H. Garstin Esquire on behalf of your Memorialist recommending him only for an invalid Pension of Rupees 10 a month instead of Rupees 15 to which he is entitled under the Rules, he begs leave most humbly & submissively to lay before you, and the Government his case, in the hope that you will be kindly pleased to support his claim as you may deem just and reasonable.

2. Your Memorialist's service

under

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under the Government extends to 21 years (6 years above the limit required entitling him to the benefit of a 1/3rd Pension) during this long period he held different appointments, ranging according to the old scale from a salary of Rupees 10 up to that of Rupees 70, added to the good Conduct and Character borne by him during his tenure in Office, as will be seen by the favorable testimony recorded by Messrs. Hall Taylor, and C. W. Reade in the Service Register Book sent with the above Application —

Your Memorialist further begs leave to draw your kind attention to the letter of Mr. Garstin headed in the Revenue Board's Proceedings dated the 30th June 1874 No. 1632 wherein he was pleased to recommend him for a 1/4th Pension independant of a Medical Certificate from the Zillah Surgeon who then refused to grant your Memorialist one, and simultaneously upon the Appeal* herewith enclosed of your Memorialist the Board were pleased to restore him to his appointment, and *A

subsequently

subsequently on the 20th May last Doctor Robertson having granted your Memorialist a Certificate it was presumed that there would be no bar whatever to his Claim to a 1/3rd Pension of Rs. 15.

3. Your Memorialist in admitting the fact that he was absent for a few days from Office on account of sudden and severe illness for which his pay for those days were unjustly stopped begs to state that no express or written Orders of the Collector to the effect appear to have been passed as none is forthcoming among the records of the Office this absence occurred so far back as 1863 and 1865 and long prior to the introduction of the New Civil Pension Code hence there should be an exception in his Case, he therefore implores your kind and Merciful heart especially towards the really poor & distressed that in consideration of his long and faithful Service of 21 years under the Government and the good Character borne by him during

that period added to his deplorable circumstances in life, being quite destitute of all friends and relatives to whom he and his large family consisting of 7 young Children could look to for support, you will be kindly pleased to support his unfortunate Case by recommending him to the mercy of the just and liberal Government for a 1/3rd Pension to which he is entitled under the Rules whereby, he may, in his declining years reap and enjoy the benefits of the fruits of his past labors. For which Act of humanity and benevolence your Memorialist and his family will not fail to offer up their daily prayers for your long life and happiness.

P. Gibson

Cuddalore }
30th June 1875 }

Accountant General's Office
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1874.

Board of Revenue,

MADRAS.

PETITION DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. 1720 *of* 1874.

From P. Gibson Esqr.

Occupation

Village

Taluq Cuddalore

District S. Arcot.

Dated 9th July }
Received 11 Do. } 1874.

Enclosure

On a Court Fees Stamp of 1 Anna

ABSTRACT. English

Prays for orders on his former petn. to Board d/ 17 March last.

Pa. No 4787/5

COURT FEE
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ONE ANNA

1720
Cd
11/7/74

The Honorable the Members
Of the Board of Revenue
Madras.

Honorable Gentlemen,

I beg leave most humbly again to adress your honorable Board on the Subject of my appeal petition Submitted to you on the 17th March last, and regret to state that no orders have as yet been received thereto.

Nearly 5 months have elapsed since I and my family with Six young children are placed in utter distress and Starvation; I therefore implore your kind and merciful hearts that my case may be favourably viewed and redress shewn by restoring me to my Situation and ordering my Salary now in deposit to be disbursed to me, thus relieving us of our present misery

for which act of benevolence
I shall, as in duty bound, ever
pray.

I beg to remain
Honorable gentlemen
Your ever obedient & humble Servt
P. Gibson

Cuddalore
9th July 1874.

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Memo.

The Civil Surgeon having in his letter No. 6 of the 13th Instant reported that Mr. P. Gibson 3rd English Clerk is not in a fit condition to discharge the duties of his office effectually and that leave will not be of service to him, Mr. Gibson is informed that his services are dispensed with from that date.

An application for pension will be submitted to Government on Mr. Gibson's behalf.

South Arcot Collector's office
Camp. Tirukannur
14th February 1874

J. H. Garstin
Collector

To,
Mr. P. Gibson
3rd English Clerk
Collector's office, S. Arcot.

No 70
Memo

To

Mr. P. Gibson
3d Eng: Clerk
Collector's office
Cuddalore

Dated 14th February 187

Informing that the Doc
having certified as to h
unfitness for furthe
active service, his se
vices are dispense
with from the 1st Inst
the date of the Certificat

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COURT FEE
TWO RUPEES

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To
The Honorable
the Members of the
Board of Revenue
Madras

The Humble Appeal Petition
of P. Gibson 3rd English
Clerk of the Collector's Office
South Arcot District, against
the Order of the Collector
J. H. Garstin Esqr unjustly
dispensing with his services on
the score of his being unfit
for further service –

Most Humbly Sheweth,

1. That from 1st August 1854 your Petitioner is employed in the said Office and held different appointments ranging from a salary of Rupees 10½ to that he now draws as 3d English Clerk Rs. 45, besides being a passed Candidate –

2. On the 11th Ultimo the Collector Mr. Garstin finding fault with the handwriting of your Petitioner called on him to retire from the service, and wrote a letter to the Civil Surgeon to state his opinion or otherwise of the fitness of your Petitioner for further active service – the Surgeon without properly examining him wrote in reply

and stated that he your Petitioner was "unfit," whereupon the Collector sent the enclosed Memo dispensing with the services of your Petitioner & simultaneously called on the Treasury Deputy Collector to prepare the usual Application for Pension on his behalf – The Treasury Deputy Collector wrote a letter to the Collector representing that unless the Doctor grants a Certificate of your Petitioner's unfitness in the proper form prescribed by the Rules, your Petitioner's Services cannot be dispensed with, neither can an application be submitted to Government for Pension on his behalf – Upon this reference the Collector again wrote a letter to the Surgeon to submit a Certificate in the proper form of your Petitioners unfitness, to this the Doctor declined & after properly examining your Petitioner wrote in reply & stated that he, the Doctor does not hold out the same opinion as that expressed in his first letter to the Collector and that your Petitioner is a thin debiletated man suffering from "Hydrocile" & that he never stated that your Petitioner was unfit for further active Service – Now it was quite open to the Collector as the only alternative left to allow your Petitioner to resume his duties – but no such turn took place, and after the elapse of about 12 days the Collector wrote (as your Petitioner is given to understand) to your Honorable Board recommending him for 1/4th Pension independant of the Certificate of the Doctor in the prescribed form –

3 — Your Petitioner in admitting the fact that he was lately taken ill requested the late Collector Mr Sullivan to grant him sick leave for 6 Months & the Collector having refused to grant it to him & finding his health to have been much reduced by his compulsion to work when in such a sickly state and added to his constant travel out in the District has altogether placed him in such a precarious state that he was hardly able on the day he was suddenly called on by the Collector to have done his duty any thing else but satisfactorily, hence this misfortune had come on him –

4 – Your Petitioner most submissively now begs to appeal to their Honorable Board whether the hand writing of an old standing Servant of 20 years as your Petitioner, is a fault that could now be found in him & thus be declared as unfit for further Service, while the duty of your Petitioner is not simply in fair Copying letters but according to Mr Pelly's Scheme to prepare materials for publication in the District Gazette &c &c – Your Petitioners duty is not this alone but he had to keep the English Registers & to conduct the general despatch & management of all papers from the Office and picking up references &c required by the Collector & other heads of Departments from time to time, also in

the preparation of Certain Periodical Returns. in this way your Petitioner worked very hard for the last 20 years and should a reference be made to the Registers &c. your Honorable Board will find that what your Petitioner now states is the truth and nothing but the truth.

5 Although no doubt that your Honorable Board will be pleased to support your Petitioner's Case as one that has been unjustly dealt with; but at the same time he must not fail to express his sentiments of regret that he should continue in his present Post. Should it please your Honorable Board favorably to dispose of his Case, but he most submissively begs to request that he be either exchanged to some other appointment in the same District or to transfer him to any other District, his reasons being simply because he has Enemies in the Office who are trying gradually to work out his destruction.—

6 Regarding the conduct & character of your Petitioner he begs most respectfully to refer your Honorable Board to the favorable testimony borne of him by Messrs. Hall, Taylor and T. W. Reade recorded by these Gentlemen in the Official Register of Public Servants kept in the Office owed to his long & faithful service of 20 years under Government.—

7. Under the aforesaid explanation

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of the facts of your Petitioner's Case he vehemently craves that your Honorable Board will be pleased to afford him their impartial justice by being pleased to restore him to his situation & that his pay from the time his services were dispensed with, 13th February last, be ordered to be disbursed to him.—

For which act of benevolence your Petitioner shall as in duty bound ever pray.—

Cuddalore
17th March 1874.

P. Gibson

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Enclosures 4—

Pon in No 478 of 75

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Endorsement on petition No. 763 and 1720 of 1874.

Petitioner is referred to the Collector who has received instructions on the subject of this petition.

Sm in No 17[illegible]

(By order)

Revenue Board office
Madras
15th July 1874

C. Colton
Acting Sub. Secretary

H. VIII Mad 1/93

1874.

Board of Revenue,

MADRAS.

PETITION DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. 763 of 1874.

From Mr P. Gibson.

Occupation 3rd English Clerk
~~Village~~ in the Collr's office
Taluq Cuddalore
District South Arcot
Dated 17th March } 1874.
Received 18th Do } 1874.

Enclosures 4

On a Court Fees Stamp of 2 Rupees

ABSTRACT. English

States that on the 11th ulto, the Collr finding fault with petr's handwriting, directed him to retire from the Service – and the Civil Surgeon to whom Mr Garstin wrote for ~~to give~~ any expression of his opinion, without properly examining petr. ~~[illegible]~~ declared him unfit for service – whereupon the Collr in his Memo: of 14 Feby last (Inclosed) dispensed with petr's services.

But that Mr Garstin again writing to the Civil Surgeon to submit a Certificate in the usual form of petr's unfitness to enable the Treasury Dy. Collr to prepare & submit a pension application, the Civil Surgeon declined to do so, saying that petr is not unfit for further Service – While so, the Collr, instead of permitting petr to resume his office, appears to have written to Bd for permission to dispense with petr's services in spite of the doctor's opinion –

Prays that in consideration of his long service of 26 yrs, &

his good character, the
facts related within may be
duly weighed, and petr re-
-stored to his office, with pay
~~from date~~ the for the period during
he will have been without employ.
Expresses his willingness for
a transfer to any other Dt,
or ~~of~~ exchange of offices in
the same Dt, as he fears
~~his~~ evil is worked ~~out~~ to him
by some of his enemies in
the Colls office.

Chn in Dec 4/8 75

No. 208

Official Memo.

With reference to his petition, dated the 8th Instant, Mr. P. Gibson is hereby directed to present him=self at the Munjacuppam Dis=pensary on the 17th Instant in view to his being examined by the Zillah Surgeon who has been requested to give his opinion as to Mr Gibson's fitness for work.

J H Garstin
Collector

Camp Inerkaum
14th May 1875

MR

Gen. No 478 of 75
A/c 488.

No. 102.

APPLICATION FOR {PENSION / GRATUITY.

1. Name of Applicant. Prospero Gibson

2. Father's name. Jacob Gibson

3. Sect or Caste. East Indian

4. Residence. New Town Cuddalore

5. Present or last employment. 3d English Clerk, Collector's office S. Arcot

6. Date of beginning of service 3d August 1854

7. Date of end of service 19 May 1875

	Y.	M.	D.
8. Length of service including breaks	20	10	15
of which superior	8	7	15
inferior	—	—	
non-qualifying and breaks	12	3	3

9. Class of {pension / gratuity} applied for, and cause of application.* Invalid Gratuity

	Rs.	As.	P.
10. [Average] emoluments or pay.	45	—	—
11. Proposed pension.			
12. Proposed gratuity.*	360	—	

13. Date from which to commence.

14. Place of payment. South Arcot

	Y.	M.	D.
15. Age of applicant on this date.	40	1	19
		7	9
16. Height.	5	9	

Accountant General's Office
Recd 14 7 1875
Ansd

17. Marks. A small black mole on the right side of the nose and a scar on the left shin

18. Date. South Arcot Collector's office Cuddalore 28 June 1875

* If the application is for a compensation pension or gratuity, the nature of the change of establishment which has given rise to the claim should be fully stated.

Deputy Collector

H Garstin
SIGNATURE OF THE HEAD OF OFFICE.

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HISTORY OF THE SERVICE (SHOWING BREAKS) OF Prospero Gibson late 3d English clerk Collector's office South Arcot

Establishment.	Appointment.	Pay. RS.	Pay. A.	Pay. P.	Acting allowance. RS.	Date of beginning.	Date of end.	Period reckoned as service. Y.	M.	D.	Period not reckoned as service. Y.	M.	D.	Remarks.	How verified.	Remarks by Accountant-General.
South Arcot Collr.	Writer	10			–	3 Augt 54	25 May 55					9	24		Verified from the English and Vernacular records of the Collr. office South Arcot.	Do not count being services rendered before 22 years of age.
Do	Do	14	–	–	–	[illegible] May 55	14 [illegible] 55					6	2[illegible]			
Do	[illegible] Do	15			–	16 [illegible] 55	7 [illegible]					1	24			
Do	Military Writer	16			–	8 [illegible]	25 [illegible] 56					3	10			
Do	a 9 Writer					26 [illegible]	26 [illegible] 56					2				
Do	Military Writer	16			17½	25 [illegible]	[illegible] 58						[illegible]			
Do	Writer	17	8			24 [illegible]	[illegible]						12			
	Leave on Subsistence					25 [illegible] 58	[illegible]									
Do	Writer	17	8			[illegible]	[illegible]		10							
Do	Do					9 June [illegible]	2[illegible]			12						
Do	5 Eng. Clerk				–	24 June [illegible]	[illegible]	1	11	10						
Do	a 9 4 Do					1 June [illegible]	[illegible]	1	5	–						
Do	5 Eng. Clerk				36	1 Nov 61	18 [illegible]	–	4	18						
Do	6 [illegible]					19 March 62	30 April 62	–	1	13						
	[illegible]					1 May 62	10 May 62	–	–	10						
Do	Under Suspension					11 May 62	31 May 62					–	21			
Do	5 Eng. Clerk	30			–	1 June 62	24 June 62	–	–	24						
Do	a 9 3d Do				45	25 June 62	17 July 62	–	–	23						
Do	5 Eng. Clerk	30				18 July 62	31 Aug 62	–	1	14						
	On half pay					1 Sep 62	4 Jany 63	–	4	4						
	Under Suspension					5 Jany 63	31 Jany 63						2[illegible]			
Do	5 Eng. Clerk	30				1 Feb 63	31 May 63					4				
Do	a 9. 3d Do				45	1 June 63	12 June 63	–	–	12		–	12			
Do	5 Eng. Clerk	30				13 June 63	5 July 63	–	–	23			23			
Do	Absent					6 July 63	19 Augt 63	–	1	15		~~1~~	~~15~~			
Do	5 Do	30				20 Augt 63	21 Augt 63	–	–	–						
Do	a 9. Eng. Record keeper					22 Augt 63	31 Decr 63	–	4	10		~~4~~	~~10~~			
	a 9 2d Eng. Clerk				40	1 Jany 64	4 Apl 64	–	3	4		~~3~~	~~4~~			
Do	On Privilege Leave				50	5 Apl 64	12 June 64	–	2	8		~~2~~	~~8~~			
	a 9. 2 Eng. Clerk					13 June 64	17 July 64	–	1	–		x				
	On Sick Leave				50	[illegible] 64	5 Oct 64	–	2	24		~~2~~	~~24~~			
Do	Leave on [illegible] of full pay					[illegible] 64	16 Nov 64			0		1	12			
Do	5 Eng. Clerk	30				17 Nov 64	12 Decr 64		–			–	26			
	a 9. E Record keeper				40	13 Decr 64	31 Jany 65	–	1	19		~~1~~	~~19~~			
					40	1 Feb 65	21 Apl 65	–	2	21		~~2~~	~~21~~			
Do	Absent					22 Apl 65	28 Apl 65					–	7			
Do	5 Eng. Clerk	30			40	29 Apl 65	15 May 65	–	–	17						
						16 May 65	5 Decr 65	–	6	21						
	Carried over							7	8	11	3	8	6			
								7	8	10		9	9			

Remarks by Accountant-General (continued): Service from 14th July 1858 to the date of retirement has been verified from the records of the Collector of South Arcot save the period of Service in the Special Agents office which cannot be verified for want of records. The verification being confirmed partly from Annual Returns and part from the Registers record[illegible] this Office. Service in Special Agents office has been verified from the records of this Office. Service prior to 22d April 1865 has been held by the Collector to have been vitiated by absence without leave for 7 days from 22d April 1865 but under the last para published at page 1072 of the Fort Saint George Gazette of 11th June 1858 and

					Brought forward		7.	8 7	11 8	3 10	8 9	6 9	G.O. No 113 of 2d March 1874 para 2 Pension Department it does not seem to have been vitiated in as much as no punishment other than stoppage of pay was inflicted for the absence (vide copy of Collector's Takeed accompanying) and the man was allowed to resume his appointment without objection.
South Arcot Collr's	a. D. 2d Eng. clerk	-	-	50	6 Decr 65	10 Decr 65	-	-	5	-	-	-	
Do	5 Eng. clerk	30	-		11 Decr 65	2 Jany 66	-	-	23	-	-	-	
Do	a. D. 4 Do	-	-	35	3 Jany 66	15 Feb 66	-	1	14	-	-	-	
Do	5 Eng. clerk	30	-		16 Feb 66	3 June 66	-	3	18	-	-	-	
Spl. Agent	French Writer	45	-		4 June 66	31 Sept 69	~~3~~	~~2~~	~~27~~	-	6	4	Leave
South Arcot Collr	3d Eng. clerk	45	-		1 Sep 69	30 Nov 70	1	3	-	-	-	-	
	On Sick Leave				1 Decr 70	14 Decr 70	-	-	-	-	-	14	
Do	Do	45	-		15 Decr 70	4 June 71	-	6	1	-	-	-	
	On Private affairs Leave				5 June 1871	14 June 1871	-	-	-	-	-	10	
Do	3d Eng. Clerk	45	-		15 June 71	2 Feb 72	-	7	18	-	-	-	
Do	a. D. 2 Eng. clerk	-	-	50	3 Feb 72	2 Apl 72	-	1	28	-	-	-	
Do	3 Eng. Clerk	45	-		3 Apl 72	26 May 72	-	1	24	-	-	-	
Do	a. D. 2d Do	-	-	50	27 May 72	7 Octr 72	-	4	12	-	-	-	
	Under Suspension				8 Octr 72	31 Octr 72	-	-	-	-	-	24	
Do	a. D. 2 Do	-	-	50	1 Nov 72	26 Nov 72	-	-	26	-	-	-	
Do	3 English clerk	45	-		27 Nov 72	2d March 73	-	3	6	-	-	-	
Do	a. D. 2d Eng. clerk	-	-	50	3 March 73	25 May 73	-	2	24	-	-	-	
Do	3 Eng. clerk	45	-		26 May 73	9 Octr 73	-	4	15	-	-	-	
	On Privilege Leave				10 Octr 73	9 Nov 73		1	4				
Do	3 Eng. clerk	45			10 Nov 73	11 Nov 73	-	-	2				
	On Sick Leave				12 Nov 73	2d Decr 73					-	21	
	Absent				3d Decr 73	12 Decr 73	-	-	-	-	-	10	
Do	3d Eng. Clerk	45	-		13 Decr 73	12 Feb 74	-	2	1	-	-	-	
	On Sick Leave				13 Feb 74	19 May 75	-	-	-	1	3	5	
							15	2	13	5	8	0	
	Total period of Superior Service						~~8~~	~~7~~	~~10~~	~~12~~	~~3~~	~~3~~	

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Remarks by Head of office

1 As to character and past Conduct of Applicant	The applicant's Conduct, except in the instances mentioned hereunder, seems to have been good throughout his service. Being unfit for further service on account of general debility as will be seen from the accompanying Medical Certificate, the Collector recommends him for an Invalid Pension of Rs. 10 a month as a special Case although he is strictly speaking only entitled under Clause (a) section 56 chapter XII of the Civil Pension Code 2nd authorized edition to a gratuity of Rs. 360. The applicant's service is over 20 years and but for three short periods of absence without leave of 2, 7 and 6 days which Caused breaks in his service he would have been entitled to a pension of 15 Rs. a month.
2. Explanation of any suspension or degradation.	The applicant was suspended on the 1st February 1863 and 8th October 1872 for having drawn his pay for one month twice over and for having absented himself from his duty respectively. Vide orders marked A and B accompanying. The Collector in his order (marked B) stated that if the applicant had been ill he should have applied for leave at once and not have himself absented without leave and that the applicant was suspended till the 7th November 1872. As this suspension Came into effect in Continuation of the period during which the applicant was absent and as there was no express order as to how the period of absence should be treated the whole period from 8 to 31 October 1872 is treated as suspension. The applicant on the expiration of the above suspensions was allowed to resume his duties. It does not appear from the records why the applicant was degraded from 1st May 1862 for 14 days, why he was suspended for 24 days from 1st June 1862 and why he drew half pay only from 6 to 31 January 1863.
3. Regarding any gratuity or bonus already received by Applicant See Chapter XX.	None.
4 Explanation under Chapter 47 Rules, so far as the Head of the office Can give it	None.
5 Any other Remarks.	The applicant absented himself without leave for 2 days from 20 August 1863 and for 7 days from 22nd April 1865. His services preceding these absences were excluded from the Column headed "Period reckoned as service" under section 44 of the Civil Pension Code. The applicant took sick leave for 21 days from 12 November to 2nd December 1873. On the expiry of this leave he did not resume his duties, but in Continuation of it he absented himself for 10 days from 3rd December 1873. This period was entered in the Column headed "Period not reckoned as service" but the services preceding the absence were reckoned as service qualifying under proviso b. Section 44 of the Civil Pension Code. The Collector in his letter No. 123 dated 11 March 1874 stated that the applicant's hand writing was so strange and shaky that he was no longer fit to be an English clerk and that he removed him from his appointment preparatory to applying for Pension for him. The Board thereon stated in their Proceedings dated 30 June 1874 No. 1632 (Communicated to the Accountant General) that "the Collector should now replace Mr. Gibson's name on the list (if it has been taken off) and let him have any such leave to which he is entitled under the rules and which he may wish to take dating it from the day on which he ceased to do duty in the office. After an interval he should be sent to the Zillah Surgeon again and if he is still useless his services must be dispensed with whether he can get a Certificate or not." So that sick leave was granted and just before this leave expired he was sent to the Zillah Surgeon and was declared by him to be unfit for further effective service – hence his retirement while he was on leave. The Medical Certificate of the applicant was missing in the office up to the 3rd Instant and hence the delay in the submission of this application. The service book of the applicant is herewith sent.

J H Garstin

Collector's SIGNATURE.

No. 259.

CERTIFICATE AND REPORT OF ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL.

CERTIFIED that ~~(subject to the remarks below recorded) qualifying service in~~ if no vitiation of service take effect under the circumstances explained in the 2nd page, the applicant's service in qualifying {~~inferior~~ superior} grades has been duly proved for 15 years 2 months and 13 days; and that an Invalid {pension ~~gratuity~~} not exceeding Rs. 15 " " per mensem equal to 1/3 of his pay, is admissible under Section 56 (b) of the Civil Pension Code. The calculations have been duly verified.

Fort Saint George
Accountant General's Office
22nd July 1875.

W. Rhodes

Accountant-General.

To
The Under Secretary to Government
Pension Department.

Pension 1875 Dept.
No. 478

Application for {~~Pension or~~ Gratuity—

Inc. 15

Date of application. 28th June 1875

Name of applicant. Prospero Gibson.

Last appointment. 3rd English Clerk Collectors Office S. Arcot.

Class of {pension or gratuity.

Amount of pension sanctioned.

Amount of gratuity sanctioned.

Date of commencement.

Date of sanction.

Order thereon 21st August 1875 No. 488.

Order

H. E. the Governor in Council is pleased to grant to Mr. P. Gibson late 3rd English ~~office~~ Clerk Collectors office S. Arcot an invalid pension of Rupees (15) Fifteen per mensem for his qualifying service of 15-2-13 in superior grades.

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Note. The Pensioner has been admitted [illegible] absences without leave notwithstanding & as is to be seen in the Collr's Remarks over-leaf he cannot have been a very satisfactory servant & orders are solicited as to whether there should be a reduction from 15 Rs. the full amount admissible Lal

Extd Order No. 488

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To the Account General with Regr. } Dept.
" " Collector of South Arcot }
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21-8-75