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PENSION DEPARTMENT.

29th January 1877, No. 32.

Read the following papers :—

From the District Engineer, Tanjore, dated 23*rd November* 1876. ✓ ✓

From the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated 9*th and* 11*th January* 1877, *Nos.* 231-*P and* 20.

From the Accountant-General, dated 15*th January* 1877.

Memorial from N. Mooneappah Pillay, dated 18*th January* 1877.

ORDER THEREON, 29th January 1877, No. 32.

The Government direct that Sub-Engineer Mooneappah appear before a Medical Board for examination as to his physical fitness for the active and efficient discharge of his duties in the department in which he is employed.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant-General.
„ the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
„ the District Engineer, Tanjore.
„ the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
„ N. Mooneappah Pillay.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

Govt. of 1877 Madras.

PENSION.

To
The ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL
&c., &c., &c.

Dated January, 29th.

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G.O., 29th January 1877, No. 32.

JANUARY.

Directing that N. Mooneappah Pillay, Sub-Engineer, third grade, Mannargoody Range, Department of Public Works, Tanjore District, appear before a Medical Board for examination.

No. 933

Superintending Engineer's Office
Tanjore 25th May 1876.

From
The Superintending Engineer
Tanjore

To
The Examiner of
Public Works Accounts
Madras.

Sir,

In reference to G. O. No. 363 dated 10th February 1876. I have the honor to forward herewith an Application for a retiring Pension, under Section 58 of the Civil Pension Code, on behalf of N. Mooneappah Pillay Sub Engineer, 3rd Grade of this District.

2. The Sub Engineer has not yet been relieved, as arrangements cannot just now be made for his relief, and as under G. O. (Pension Department) No. 524, dated 9th September 1875

1875, "the verification of Service" or towards obtaining Pension is "to precede removal". I forward his Pension Papers in view to his Services being verified in your Office and the result communicated to me to enable me to relieve the Sub Engineer in accordance with the above G. O. Owing to the Sub Engineer not having been relieved, the dates of end of Service and of commencement of Pension have not been entered in the enclosed Application. The entries in the Application relative to the Sub Engineer's Service and Pension, have been calculated for the present up to the end of last month, and are entered in pencil.

3. Little or no information can be obtained from the District Engineers of Madura and Tinnevelly relative

relative to the leaves obtained by Mooneappah Pillay, but the Sub Engineer states that to the best of his recollection he obtained leave only on two occasions during the whole period of his service viz. Privilege Leave, for three months, from October to December 1860, and again for three months from July to September 1871.

Enclosures.

1. Application for Pension.
1. Service Book.
1. Pamphlet of Testimonials.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,
R. Oakes Lieut. Col. R.E.
Superintending Engineer.

From
The Supdg Engineer
Tanjore
To
The Examiner of
P.W. Accounts

No 933

Dated 25 } May 1876
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Forwards Pension
Papers in behalf
of Moonappah
Pillay - Sub Engr.

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[Cr. Wks. Form No. 1.]

No. 60 P.

From
THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

To
The Accountant General,
Madras.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 17th June 1876.

Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to request that the Accountant General Madras will be good enough to state whether the services of N. Moonappah Pillay from 1st September 1841 to 26th January 1857 as detailed in the margin can be verified from the records of his Office and if so whether they can count towards pension.

Establishment.	Appointment.	Pay.	From.	To.
Civil Engineer's Office 8th Division	2d Writer.	Rs 35.	1st Septr 1841.	19th April 1848.
Do	Head Writer	" 50.	20th April 1848.	16th April 1850.
Collector's Department Tinnevelly.	Maramut Superintendent	" 50.	17th April 1850.	26th Jany 1857.

(Signed) L. Conway Gordon.
Examiner P.W. Accounts.

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Audit DEPARTMENT.

Fort Saint George, 9
Accountant General's Office,
24th August 1876.

FROM THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL, MADRAS,

TO THE *Examiner of Public Works Accounts*
Madras

VIDE {your ~~this~~} {~~Proceedings~~ Office Letter ~~Memo.~~} No. *60 P.* dated *17th June* 1876.

THE undersigned has the honor to *state that the services of N. Mooneapah Pillay from September 1841 as detailed in the margin have been verified from the Annual Returns of 1st May of each year upto 1849 on record in this Office, and that service in the capacity of writer counts for pension or gratuity. N. Mooneapah Pillay's name is not traceable in the Annual Returns of 1st May of each year from 1850 to 1856 on record in this Office, and the Collector of Tanjore to whom a reference was made for verification of applicant's services as Maramut Superintendent from his Office records states that the applicant does not appear to have served as such in that District.—*

Year	Appointment	Pay	Date of appointment
1842	2nd writer	35 Rs	September 1841
1843	Hd writer	50 Rs	January 1843
1844-45 1847	2nd writer	35 Rs	September 1841
1848 & 49	1st writer	50 Rs	September 1841 April 1843

B W Lodwick

Accountant General

[Cr. Wks. Form No. 1.]

No. 61. T. N.

From
THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

To
The Collector of
Tinnevelly

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 1st September 1876.

Memorandum.

The undersigned has the honor to request that the Collector of Tinnevelly will be good enough to state whether the services of N. Mooneappah Pillay, from 17th April 1850 to 26th January 1857 as Marammut Superintendent in the Tinnevelly Collectorate Department on a salary of Rs 50 per mensem, can be verified from the Records of his Office, and if so, the nature of the Establishment (permanent or temporary) on which Mooneappah Pillay was employed and the description, and extent of leave, which he may have had during that period.

(Signed) L. Conway Gordon.
Examiner P. W. Accts.

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From The Deputy Collector in charge of Tinnevelly

To The Examiner Public Works Accts Fort St George

Dated 15th September 1876
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Enclosures in
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Informing that Mooncappah Pillay, now Sub Engineer, on the permanent establishment from 17th April 1850 to 30th April 1857, as [illegible] Superintendent [illegible]

See No. 277 [illegible]

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[Cr. Wks. Form No. 2.]

No. 125 T. J.

From
THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

To The Superintending Engineer
Tanjore

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 21st October 1876.

Memorandum.

In returning the pension Application and service book of Sub Engineer N. Mooncappah Pillay, which accompanied the Superintending Engineer's letter No. 933 dated 25th May 1876, the undersigned has the honor to enclose a Statement of Mooncappah Pillay's services, as verified from the Audit Register of this Office, and from the records of the Accountant General, Madras, and the Collector of Tinnevelly.

2. It will be seen, that in certain cases the dates of beginning and end of service noted in the statement do not correspond with the entries on the 2nd page of the Pension Application, and that 8 days sick leave which Mooncappah Pillay appears according to the Audit Register of this Office, to have had in July 1861 have been omitted from the pension Application and service Book.

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3. The audit Register of this Office further shews that Mooneappah Pillay forfeited three days pay in October 1871, for overstaying the three months privilege leave granted to him from the 3rd July 1871 but no note of the circumstance appears in the History of Service. The omission should now be supplied.

4. According to the records of this office Mooneappah Pillay, was acting Supervisor 1st Grade from 15th November 1866 to 21st December 1866, and confirmed in that Grade on the 22nd December 1866, while in the History of service of the application he is shown to have been acting Supervisor 1st Grade from 15th November to 1st December 1866 and as Supervisor 1st Grade from 2nd December 1866

5. Again the entries in the audit Register show that Mooneappah Pillay's promotion to sub Engineer 3rd Grade took place on the 1st June 1874, but in the Application for pension he is stated to have been promoted on the 5th May 1874.

6. The entries in the Service Book and pension Application should be prepared in accordance with the enclosed verification Statement.

7. The date of birth according to the Christian era should be ascertained from the applicant and entered in the pension application and Service Book.

8. Clearer distinctive marks, i.e. the color of the complexion &c. &c. of the applicant should be given against item 17 on the 1st page of the application, and columns 11 and 12 of the 1st and 3rd pages respectively of the service Book should be completed with the signature of the Head of the Office.

9. The papers should be re-submitted complete according the remarks in this Memo, as soon as possible after the date of Mooneappah Pillay's relief ordered in Government Order No. 1001 dated 21st April 1876.

(Signed) L. Conway Gordon.
Examiner P. W. Accounts.

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No. 2223

District Engineer's Office
Camp. Alathambady
23rd November 1876

From,
The District Engineer
Tanjore

To,
The Examiner of
Public Works Accounts.

Sir

Enclosures
1. Application
for Pension
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In reference to your Memorandum No 125 T. J. dated 21st October 1876, I have the honor to retransmit the Pension papers of Sub-Engineer Mooneappa Pillay duly revised as per verified statement of his services received with the above memo.

2 The Sub-Engineer was relieved of his duties on the 11th Instant and the several entries in the Pension application have been calculated up to that date.

3 The date of birth according to the Christian era and fuller particulars relative to personal marks, for identification have been entered both in the Pension application

and

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Service Book, and the signature of the head of the Office has been inserted at pages 1 and 3 of the Service Book in the Columns provided for that purpose as required in paras 7 & 8 of your Memo above quoted.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servt.

Captain R.E.

District Engineer Tanjore.

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From
The District Engr.
Tanjore
To
The Examiner
P.W.A.
No. 2223
Dated 23rd Novr 76
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Retransmits the Pension papers of Sub Engineer Moone-appa Pillay duly revised.

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No. 342 W.

From
THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

To
The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 16th December 1876.

Sir,

With reference to Government Order No. 1001 of the 21st April 1876, I have the honor to inquire under what section of the Civil Pension Code the Government would wish Mooneappah Pillay late sub Engineer to be pensioned.

2. According to Government order No. 363 dated 10th February 1876, of which a copy was obtained from the Government Office on the 14th Instant, for transmission with Mooneappah Pillay's pension papers, it would appear to be the intention of Government that Mooneappah Pillay should be pensioned under section 53 rules 1 and 2, of the Civil Pension Code, but in the Application for pension now under disposal in this Office, the Officer (Captain Brockman) at present in charge of the Tanjore District recommends the grant of a retiring pension under Section 58.

3. Under the first of the Section above quoted

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it is necessary that the District Engineer should certify that he is inefficient owing to age or infirmity. The Officer however (Lieutenant Colonel Oakes) under whom Mooneappah Pillay was serving in March last states that the latter is physically capable for continued employ, Captain Brockman therefore apparently proposes to grant the pension under the 58th Section, but it will be seen on reference to Section 54 of the Civil Pension Code that a retiring pension is granted only when an officer voluntarily retires after completing the requisite period of service. This is not apparently the case with Mooneappah Pillay. Under these circumstances I am at a loss to determine which section of the Civil Pension Code applies to him.

4. The whole of Mooneappah Pillay's pension papers are ready, and they will be submitted to Government in the Pension Department through the Accountant General, Madras, immediately on receipt of the information applied for in this letter.

I have &c.
(Signed) L. Conway Gordon
Examiner P.W. Accts:

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 10th February 1876.

Read the following letters :—

No. 159. From Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R.E., District Engineer, Madura, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madura, 7th December 1875, No. 3,599.

REFERRING to G.O., No. 188, under date the 26th August 1875, I have the honor to forward the accompanying explanations from Sub-Engineer N. Mooneappah Pillay and Local Fund Sub-overseer T. Soonder Row in connection with the estimate of Rupees 2,170 for cutting a channel from the sea to salt pans at Mutturegunadapatam.

1 Original letter from Sub-Engineer Mooneappah Pillay, to the District Engineer, Tanjore, No. 329, dated 20th September 1875.
1 Do. do. from do. do. No. 404, dated 3rd November 1875.
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1 Original letter from Local Fund Sub-overseer T. Soonder Row, to the Madura Range Officer, No. 9, dated 29th September 1875.
1 Copy of a docket from the Collector, to the District Engineer, No. 2,566, dated 17th November 1875, with one enclosure, viz., of a Bill for Rupees 27.
1 Copy of an endorsement from the Madura Range Officer, to Sub-Engineer Mooneappah Pillay, No. 103, dated 20th June 1872.

2. It appears the work had to be supervised by this department, and was given to Mr. Leggatt, who sent orders in a memorandum to the Sub-division Officer Mooneappah Pillay to attend to the matter (copy enclosed); the work, such as it was, was carried out apparently under Local Fund Overseer Soonder Row, and there is nothing to show that the Sub-divisional Officer attended to it at all; and it is much to be regretted a common boring apparatus was not obtained when the operations could have been carried on with much greater facility. The men employed appear to have been very inexperienced, and unable to judge of the character of the formation in that locality; but as soon as I saw the sand-stone formation at Point Tonitory cropping out into the sea, I suspected the existence of the bed all along the coast, and this has since been discovered in several places; as the great temple at Ramesweram is built entirely of sand-stone, it does appear strange the existence of this material in the vicinity was not thought of, as well as the drift sand in such a work on such a coast.

3. I regret to add I cannot accept the allegations that any proper levels were run before these executed by Mr. Fox, the Surveyor employed on this duty last year. The Sub-Engineer has no proper knowledge of surveying and levelling, and it appears from paragraph 4 of the Acting Superintending Engineer's letter, printed in G.O., of the 1st June 1871, No. 1,490, that this Range Officer was in the habit of performing his duties "in a perfunctory manner, and as I cannot with any confidence nominate him to a range in Madura, so no one in that district seems to care for his transfer there." On this I beg to observe only that Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts, R.E., made this report to Government, and I trust then it will be allowed that I had reason not to place much reliance on this subordinate's allegations when I found the racquet court estimate so incorrect.

No. 159-A. From the same Officer, dated Dindigul, 20th January 1876, No. 3,914.

IN acknowledging the receipt of your memorandum, No. 925, under date the 30th December 1875, I have the honor to forward herewith the sanctioned estimate of Rupees 2,170 for cutting a channel from the sea to the pan to supply water for manufacturing salt at Mutturegunadapatam, together with the estimate for

1 Estimate of Rupees 2,170.
1 Do. ,, 5,940.
1 Do. ,, 5,300.
1 Specification.
1 Longitudinal Section.
1 Copy of Deputy Collector's letter, No. 139, of 21st August 1871, to the Collector of Madura.

Rupees 5,940, and all the original papers connected therewith which Mr. Potter has only just sent to me.

2. An original longitudinal section with levels has been sent to me for the first time by the present Sub-division Officer, and, from a remark on it, these do not appear to have been checked at all, but the estimate of Rupees 5,940 appears to have been prepared from this document and provides for earthwork only, whereas in execution "springs, sand-stone rock and drift sand" were met with and the work had to be stopped.

3. As already remarked, the existence of this rock does not appear to have been suspected before in this district until I traced it in several parts of the coast, but the fact of drift sand prevailing in such a locality should have been observed. If the Government consider this subject should be taken up in connection with the extension of the salt manufacture, I will take an opportunity to visit the locality and endeavour to see if any work can be profitably established, but I would beg to recommend the present design and estimate be cancelled.

No. 160. ORDER THEREON, 10th February 1876, No. 363.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 9-A.

THE documents submitted by the District Engineer of Madura disprove entirely Sub-Engineer Mooneappah Pillay's repeated disclaimers of responsibility for the work of sinking trial pits on which the estimate of Rupees 5,940 purports to have been framed.

2. As Mooneappah Pillay appears to be over fifty-five years of age and thirty-four years of service, the District Engineer of Tanjore will arrange for his pension papers being sent in at once.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Tanjore.
" " Madura.
" Revenue Department.

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To

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,
TANJORE,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated February 10th.

Issued

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 10th February 1876, No. 363.

FEBRUARY.
Nos. 159-160

N. Mooneappah Pillay, Sub-Engineer.—Passing orders on letters from the District Engineer, Madura, submitting explanation from — in connection with the estimate for cutting a channel from the sea to the salt pans at Mutturegunadapatam.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st April 1876.

No. 288. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel R. F. OAKES, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Tanjore, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 9th March 1876, No. 393 :—

I HAVE the honor to inform you that on the receipt of G.O., No. 363, of 10th ultimo, I forwarded it to Sub-Engineer Mooneappah Pillay and requested him to furnish me with his Service Register to admit of his pension papers being prepared. In reply, the Sub-Engineer has sent me the accompanying letter and two enclosures, which he has asked me to forward to you.

No. ——, dated 7th March.

2. I am of course altogether ignorant of the circumstances connected with the channel-trial pits, &c., relative to which the Sub-Engineer appears to have incurred the displeasure of Government; but, from the enclosed letter, it would appear that the circumstances connected with two entirely different channels have been jumbled together.

3. With reference to the quotation in paragraph 3 of Lieutenant-Colonel Fischer's letter, No. 3,599, from Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts' letter, printed in G.O., No. 1,490, of 1st June 1871, I have only to observe that the opinion there expressed is so very much at variance with that expressed in the accompanying extract from Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts' Administration Report of 1873-74, that it is clear Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts' hastily formed opinion in 1871 was not a correct one.

4. The enclosed pamphlet of testimonials shows in what high esteem Sub-Engineer Mooneappah Pillay has been held by the various officers under whom he has served and testify to his qualifications and ability, and I would beg to call special attention to the very last testimonial which is from Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts.

5. I have no hesitation in saying that, though not possessed of much theoretical knowledge, the Sub-Engineer has acquired a great deal of practical knowledge, and, under an officer who is able and willing to assist him in any little difficulties induced by his ignorance of theory, he makes a most efficient Range Officer and prevents work in his Range from falling into arrears, and he has the good sense to ask for instructions in any little difficulties when he knows they are willingly and cheerfully accorded.

6. The Sub-Engineer is physically far more capable than many men in the department who are ten or more years his junior, and, as far as I am personally concerned, I am quite willing to keep him in charge of No. 4 Range where he has done much to bring to light frauds of which Government will hear betimes, and to bring into something like order the chaos which he found in the Range owing to Messrs. Hamnett's and Littlewood's incompetency and carelessness.

7. If Government still determine that the Sub-Engineer shall be compelled to take his pension, I beg that a European Officer or Upper Subordinate of some experience may be appointed to relieve him, for the Range is by no means an easy one to manage, and the numerous changes in its charge of late years, as indicated by the enclosed memorandum, has left a great deal to be done and undone.

8. The Sub-Engineer has so far carried on the duties of the Range creditably, notwithstanding the fact of his being unaided by a Sub-divisional Officer, as one of the

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21st *April* 1876.

vacancies brought to the notice of Government in letter, No. 1,978, dated 14th October 1875, is still unfilled, Mr. Supervisor Lyons, appointed in the Gazette of the 22nd February, not having yet joined.

No. 289.

Order thereon, 21st April 1876, No. 1,001.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 22.

No time should be lost in carrying out the orders of Government appealed against, in conformity with which it is presumed that the Sub-Engineer's pension papers are all ready.

2. Lieutenant-Colonel Oakes will relieve Mooneappah Pillay at once, and report date of relief.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government

To the Superintending Engineer, Tanjore.
,, Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. T. O'Connor

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
TANJORE,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated April 21st.

Issued

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 21st April 1876, No. 1,001.

APRIL.
Nos. 288-289

N. Mooncappah Pillay, Sub-Engineer.—Intimating that no time should be lost in the submission of — pension papers, and directing his relief at once.

No. 2430

District Engineer's Office 35
Tanjore 22nd December 1876.

From
Captain R. R. E. Brockman R.E.
District Engineer, Tanjore

To,
Major General G. W. Walker R.E.
Chief Engineer D.P.W.

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Sir,

In reference to your memorandum No. 1936, dated 19th December 1876, I have the honor to inform you that Sub Engineer Mooneappah Pillay did not consent voluntarily to apply for Pension and as his application for Pension was submitted upon the decision of Government in G. Os Nos. 363 and 1001 dated 18 February and 21st April 1876 respectively to transfer him to the Pension List, I did not consider that a Certificate in in support of the Application, as required by Rule 2, Section 53 of the Civil Pension Code, was necessary, and hence it was not inserted in the Application for Pension.

2 I consider that Sub Engineer Moonappah Pillay has arrived at such an age accompanied with want of bodily vigour and to render him inefficient for the thorough discharge of his duties as a Sub Divisional or a Range Officer, and I beg accordingly to forward herewith a Certificate to that effect with a view that it may be attached to the Sub Engineer's Pension Application which I presume has been forwarded to you by the Examiner with his letter No. 342, dated 16th December

December 1876

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

Captain R.E.
District Engineer

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From
The District Engineer
Tanjore
To
The Chief Engineer
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No. 2430
Dated 22nd Decr. 76
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Enc: one.

Informs that Sub Engineer Mooneappah Pillay did not consent voluntarily to apply for Pension, & forwards a Certificate to the effect that he is inefficient for the thorough discharge of his duties.

Memo: No. 1966 of 28: Dec: 1876.

Forwarded to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts with reference to his letter No. 342 of 16: December

G. M. Walker Major Genl: RE
Secy. to Govt.
P.W.D.

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Certificate under Rule 2 Section 53 of the Civil Pension Code to accompany the Application for Pension of Sub Engineer Mooneappah Pillay, dated 23rd November 1876

I consider that Sub Engineer Mooneappah Pillay has arrived at such an age accompanied with want of bodily vigour as to render him inefficient for the thorough discharge of his duties as a Sub Divisional or a Range Officer

R. M. Conway Captain R.E.

District Engineer

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No. 231 P.

Enclosure in a letter from the District Engineer Tanjore Distt. Chingleput Divn. No. 2430, dated 22nd December 1876.

Certificate to accompany the Application for Service of Sub-Engineer, Moonea-appa Pillay, dated 23rd November 1876.

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TESTIMONIALS
OF
N. MOONEAPAH PILLAY.

TESTIMONIALS.

No. 125.

FROM

CAPTAIN W. H. HORSLEY,

Civil Engineer, 8th Division.

To

C. J. BIRD ESQ.,

Acting Collector of Tinnevelly.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 455, dated 15th April 1850 requesting to recommend a proper person to fill the situation of Maramut Superintendent during the employment of the present Superintendent on other duty and to inform you that in my opinion the person most fit for the situation is Mooneapah Pillay, the present Head Writer of my Office, and I would recommend him accordingly for the Acting appointment.

He has been in my Office for a period of nearly 9 year's 1st, as 2nd writer, and lately as Head writer, and is well acquainted with every thing connected with the Maramut Department. His knowledge of the District and active habits form an additional qualification for the Office of the Maramut Superintendent and I have every reason to believe that he will afford satisfaction if appointed.

CIVIL ENG'S. OFFICE
8TH DIN. TINNEVELLY DISTRICT
COKRACOLAM,
16th April, 1850.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. H. HORSLEY CAPTAIN,

Civil Engineer 8th Division.

This is to certify that Mooneapah Pillay joined this Office as 2nd Writer on the 1st September 1841 and continued in the same appointment till 19th April 1848 having in the mean time acted as Head Writer for 5 months in 1843. On Mr. Mcnair's appointment to the Survey Department on the 20th April 1848, Mooneapah Pillay became Head Writer and remained such till 16th April 1850, when he was nominated to act as Maramut Superintendent of Tinnevelly.

During the whole period that Mooneapah Pillay was connected with this Office I had every reason to be satisfied with his conduct and diligence in the performance of his duties.

His knowledge of the District and experience in the Department of Public Works fully qualify him in my opinion for the situation of Maramut Superintendent.

CIVIL ENG'S OFFICE
8TH DIN. CASMAJORPOORUM
4th September, 1850.

W. H. HORSLEY CAPTAIN,
Civil Engineer 8th Division.

SAWYERPOORUM, *5th January*, 1856.

MY DEAR FABER,

Mooneapah Pillay, who has been Maramut Superintendent of Tinnevelly the greater part of the time that I was Collector, wishes me to mention him to you, now that new arrangements are being made in the Department I know that Mr. Horsley has written and spoken strongly in his favor to you and I have only to say that I am confident he would ably and honestly fill the best situation that can be given to him and that it would be a particular pleasure to me to hear of his being well provided for.

I give him this note to send to you.

Believe me
Your affectionate Brother,
(Signed) C. J. BIRD,

(True Copy.)

I have much pleasure in testifying hereby to the zeal and ability displayed by Mooneapah Pillay the Maramut Superintendent of Tinnevelly, during the time I have been acting Civil Engineer of the 8th Division.

I have received much assistance from Mooneapah Pillay during that time, and had I remained in the District I had every hope of seeing him in the advanced position which I had recommended him on the proposed transfer of the executive to the Engineer Department.

COURTALLUM,
28th August 1856.

(Signed) R. A. ROBERTS LT.
Acting Civil Engineer 8th Divn.

Extract of a letter from Capt. Oakes, to the Chief Engineer.

Major Horsley in his letter regarding the Transfer proposes that the Pay of the Maramut Superintendent should be Rupees 120 while Lt. Roberts proposes Rs. 85 in Para 18 of his letter No. 116 of 21st July 1856 and as the Maramut Superintendent thoroughly acquainted with the District and therefore well qualified on the Transfer to fill the important Post he now holds when his duties will become still more arduous and onerous and as I do not know of any other person in the District who is capable of fulfilling those duties with same advantage to the District I propose to leave him in his present position and not to make him an Executive Agent or Overseer as was suggested by you particularly as I imagine the Government would not sanction so large a sum as 85 Rs. as his Civil salary were he merely an Executive Agent in charge of one or even Two Talooks.

(Signed) R. F. OAKES,
Acting District Engineer.

9th December, 1856.

To

The Acting District Engineer.

SIR,

As I find that the various works in this Talook are with a few exceptions completed or very nearly so, and that those which remain to be done can be easily finished by the Sub-Overseer, I have in accordance with instructions contained in your letter No. 374, 22nd July, directed Overseer Mooneapah to proceed and report himself to you for instructions without delay. As Overseer Mooneapah is quitting my Range I take the opportunity of recording the very satisfactory manner in which he has performed his duty whilst under me and to mention that the very forward state of works in this Talook is entirely due to his great activity.

I have

(Signed) L. PAXTON LT.

Executive Engineer.

30th July, 1857.

Overseer Mooneapah Pillay being about to leave my executive Range, I have much pleasure in testifying to his great activity and perseverance in carrying out the works under his charge which together with his knowledge of the District and the people with whom he has to deal, has enabled him to make the great progress he has done during the short time he has remained in this Taluq.

STREEVILLIPUTTOOR, *July 12th* 1857. (Signed) L. PAXTON LIEUTENANT,

Executive Engineer.

Extract from Diary, General Observations for the month of October 1858.

PUNJAMAL TALOOK, AHTOOR HEAD SLUICE.

Great credit is due to Overseer Mooneapah Pillay for the rapid and efficient manner in which the sluice was built and it is due to his careful supervision that there is still a balance of Rs. 305-10 on the Estimate notwithstanding that 6 feet of sluice have been reconstructed in excess of the Estimate and sundry repairs executed for which no allowance was made. Overseer Mooneapah Pillay also rendered material assistance to Mr. Mcnair in completing the channel clearing by procuring coolies from Streevigoontum Talook and excavating the channel from the Head to meet Mr. Mcnair who had commenced his repairs from the Ahtoor Tank.

Had we a few more Overseers with the zeal skill and last, tho; not least, the command of labor which Overseer Mooneapah Pillay possesses there would be cause for but little anxiety with regard to the quantity and quality of works executed and the obstacles with which we now meet would soon be swept away.

When vacancies in the higher grades occur I would beg to recommend Overseer Mooneapah Pillay's qualifications and claims to the favourable consideration of the Chief Engineer.

(Signed) R. F. OAKES CAPTAIN,

Ag. District, Eng. Tinnevelly.

PEARL FISHERY KOTOO *5th March* 1861.

This is to certify that Mooneapah Pillay 1st Class Overseer has completed the pearl Fishery Buildings in a very short space of time and quite to my satisfaction both in cost Materials and Workmanship and I find him very active and diligent.

(Signed) G. PHIPPS,

Superintendent.

TINNEVELLY DISTRICT ENGINEER OFFICE.

SHERNMADEVY, *4th March* 1861.

MEMO No. 479.

The District Engineer is well satisfied with the celerity with which Overseer Mooneapah Pillay has executed the work of the Pearl Fishery Buildings and will have pleasure in mentioning this good service to the Chief Engineer.

Captain Winscom now trusts that Mooneapah Pillay will accelerate as much as possible the work on Cotton Road, and not fail to have it finished before 30th April next.

Also that the Custom House Cutchary at Vypar will proceed quickly and well.

(Signed) G. V. WINSCOM CAPTAIN,

District Engineer, Tinnevelly.

To

The Chief Engineer,

SIR,

Referring to the extract of Proceedings of the Chief Engineer No. 9190 dated 21st January 1861. I have the honor to inform you, that having previous to the receipt of the same, been requested by the Collector to prepare Materials for the Pearl Fishery Buildings at Tuticorin, I despatched Overseer Mooneapah Pillay for the purpose. He arrived at Tuticorin on the 20th January and on the 27th February reported to me that the whole of the buildings were erected, together with quarters for the Zadi Talaven, the Head Assistant Collector, Hospital several huts and Collectors Cutchary all which have not allowed for in the estimate at a cost of Rs. 3749-15-0 with the balance of the estimate, he had been requested to erect a shed for 60 Dulloyets and 20 Counters also a house for the Medical Officer, engaged for the Fishery.

I visited Tuticorin last month and saw the work executed by Mooneapah Pillay. It was rough, and I did not compare it with the estimate, but it was quite good, for all practical purposes and the celerity with which he has executed it demands from my hands more especial notice having lately reported unfavorably about him. To procure the vast amount of Palmirah leaves, bamboos palmiras &c. which have been called for at such a short notice in a place like Tuticorin, shews no ordinary ability and intelligence and certainly

marks him as a man who can do his work remarkably quickly and fitted for emergent work.

PAVOOR,
13*th March*, 1861.

I have &c.

(Signed) G. V. WINSCOM,

District Engineer Tinnevelly.

No. 11693.

Extract from the proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Under date the 6th April 1861.

Read the following letter from the District Engineer of Tinnevelly.

(*Here enter dated* 13*th March* 1861 *No.* 212.)

Resolved to inform the District Engineer of Tinnevelly that the Chief Engineer is much gratified to learn from the foregoing letter that Overseer Mooneapah Pillay has shewn such zeal and energy in the preparation of the temporary Buildings required in connection with the Pearl Fishery at Tuticorin and hopes he will continue by his exertions and general good conduct and deligence to sustain the high character which has hitherto borne in the Department.

2. Captain Winscom will be so good as to comnunicate the above to Mooneapah Pillay.

(True extract)

TO CAPTN. G. V. WINSCOM,
DISTRICT ENGR. TINNEVELLY.

(Signed) W. J. BIRDWOOD,

Dy. Cf. Engr. Southern Circle.

Tinnevelly District Engineer's Office,

PALAMCOTTAH, 11*th May* 1861.

MEMO. No. 58.

The District Engineer has received with much satisfaction the Report of the completion of the repairs of Branch Cotton Roads by Overseer Mooneapah Pillay during April 1861,

(Signed) G. WINSCOM, CAPTAIN.

District Engineer Tinnevelly.

Statement shewing the strength and distribution of Officers and Subordinates employed in the 8th Division for the quarter ending 31st October 1866 Vide G. O. No. 1724 dated 30th June 1863.

Name.	Rank.	On what duty employed.	If recommended grounds of recommendation for promotion.
N. Mooneapah Pillay.	Supervisor 2nd Class.	In charge of 5th Range Tinnevelly Head Quarter Nangunery.	Long and good Service deserves promotion to 1st Class Supervisor

PALAMCOTTAH 2nd *November* 1866.

(Signed) H. L. PRENDERGAST, CAPTAIN.

Officiating Superintending Engineer 8th Division.

No. 209, *Superintending Engineer's Office 8th Division,*

KODAIKANEL 1st *May* 1867.

The Superintending Engineer was glad to find from the final Accounts of the past Official Year that the Imperial funds were nearly expended in full. In the 5th Range there was no cash balance at the close of the Year, a very satisfactory result.

(Signed) H. L. PRENDERGAST, CAPTAIN R. E.

Superintending Engineer 8th Division.

ENCLOSURE, No 1.

From the Sub-Collector of Tinnevelly to the Acting Collector of Tinnevelly dated Shairmadavy 14th January 1869, No. 13.

During his late tour in the South of the District, His Excellency the Governor expressed so much interest in the schemes for irrigating a part of that desert like country that I am inclined to hope that a scheme for improving the water supply from the Numbyar (or Throokoorangoody river) might possibly now receive the consideration it deserves.

I agree with the Officer now in charge of the Range in thinking that all the existing Anikuts should be heightened and the channels widened and deepened in the 1st place. The subsidiary reservoirs should also be put in thorough repair at the same time; first for increasing the water supply, and secondly for increasing the area to be irrigated.—As to the first, I entirely approve of the Range Officer's proposal to divert a portion of the water of the streams which flow down the Western slope of the Ghauts, and are not urgently required in Travancore.

The thanks of Government are due to Mr. Pennington and the Range officer for their intelligent exertions in bringing forward a project which promises to be of material advantage to the country concerned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, R. E.

Secretary to Government.

To

MOONEAPAH PILLAY THE RANGE OFFICER,

FROM H. L. PRENDERGAST,

Superintending Engineer.

Supervisor Mooneapah Pillay served under me for 4 years in Tinnevelly as a Range Officer. After visiting some of his works in 1866, I recommended him for promotion, and he became a 1st Grade Supervisor in December of that Year. Mooneapah Pillay always kept his Books and Accounts in excellent order; his Returns both to the Comptroller, and to my office, being punctually despatched and correct. There was no works of much importance under Mooneapah Pillay, but when a push was wanted, to utilize available Funds in March 1869 and got the Courtallum Road in order; the work was well done, and rapidly by the end of the official year, so that the money was saved.

(Signed) H. L. PRENDERGAST, CAPTAIN.

Madras, 15*th June*, 1870.

MOONEAPAH PILLAY,

Sir,

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I have sent in to the District Engineer and I only hope it will meet with the success I anticipate on your account. You have rendered me most valuable assistance during the time you have been under my orders. I shall be most happy to see you promoted to a Sub-Engineer with best wishes.

I remain

Yours faithfully

G. R. LEGGATT,

Assistant Engineer,

D. P. W. Madura Range.

MADURA RANGE OFFICE.

FROM

THE ASSISTANT ENGINEER,

In charge of Madura Range,

To

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,

Madura.

Sir,

As I have been informed by you that it is in contemplation shortly to form the Zamindaries of Ramnad and Shevagunga at present attached to this Range, I consider it my duty to bring prominently to your notice the services rendered by supervisor Mooneapah Pillay during the year he has been in charge of them as Sub-Divisional officer.

The deplorable state in which Mr. Martin left the late 3rd Range, you have already made aware of it, has been entirely to the untiring exertions of Mooneapah Pillay that most of the heavy arrears have been cleared off. All estimates framed by Mr. Martin has been revised by the Pillay and the savings effected in the reduction of the original rates have been remarkable. In every

case the requirements to the Roads omitted by Mr. Martin in the way of earth work, gravelling, Tunnels &c. have been supplied and yet the estimates have been in many cases considerably reduced their original amounts.

I have had many opportunities of Judging of Mooneapah Pillay's work and I can confidently assert (and it gives me much pleasure in doing so) that he is a most valuable and energetic individual and a thoroughly honest Public Servant.

When I first took charge of the late 3rd Range the complaints from Mile coolies that they had not been paid for this and that month and from contractors that they had not been paid for work done was something beyond description, now there is not a murmur although I have made it a point to make enquiries whenever I visited the Sub-Division.

Though it was the month of December 1871 when Mooneapah Pillay took charge of the Sub-Division and there was so large a balance as Rs. 37941 unexpended yet by the close of that official year, by his great exertions he managed to utilize nearly the whole amount in a most satisfactory manner.

I beg to submit with this, a statement shewing the estimates revised by Mooneapah Pillay the saving effected on each, the number of miles of Road he has had under his charge and the various works he has been engaged upon and I trust you will bring the valuable services he has rendered, to the notice of the Government with a view of his obtaining promotion.

Printed copies of the various Testimonials Mooneapah Pillay has received from the numerous officers he has served under, accompanies this, which speak for themselves.

(Signed) G. R. LEGGATT,

Assistant Engineer D. P. W.

Madura Range.

itted for the favorable consideration of Government.

Since Mooniapah Pillay's transfer to the Madras District his conduct has come under my more immediate notice and it has been highly satisfactory; & there can be no doubt but that he has done excellent service to Government in the two Zemindaries of which he has been, as stated by Mr Leggatt, in departmental charge.

(Signed) R. A. Roberts L.C.
R.E.
District Engineer
Madras

(True Copy)

1. B. of
1. Statement

[Cr. Wks. Form No. 2.]

No. 231 P.

From
THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

To The Accountant General
Madras

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 9th January 1877.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for transmission to Government an application for the grant of a superannuation pension to Nagappah Mooneappah Pillay late Sub Engineer 3rd grade of the Tanjore District.

Enclosure 15

2. The following papers connected with Mooneappah Pillay's application are herewith forwarded.

1 Pension application
1 Service Book
1 Pamphlet of testimonials
1 Copy of Government Order No. 363 dated 10th February 1876
1 —— do —— No. 1001 dated 21st April 1876
1 Original letter from the Superintending Engineer Tanjore No. 933 dated 25th May 1876.

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1 Copy of Memo to the Accountant General, Madras No. 60 P. dated 17th June 1876

1 Original Memo from the Accountant General, Madras No. 5266 dated 24th August 1876.

1 Copy of Memo to the Collector of Tinnevelly No. 61 F.A. dated 1st September 1876.

1 Original letter from the Deputy Collector Tinnevelly No. 2462 dated 15th September 1876

1. Copy of Memo to the Superintending Engineer Tanjore No. 1253 J. dated 21st October 1876.

1 Original letter from the District Engineer Tanjore No. 2223 dated 23d November 1876.

1 Copy of letter to Government No. 342 W. dated 16th December 1876.

1 Original letter from the District Engineer Tanjore to Government No. 2430 dated 22d December 1876

1. Original certificate of District Engineer Tanjore

Tanjore.

I have &c

L Conway-Gordon

Examiner P.W. Accounts

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From

The Examiner P.W. Accounts

to

The Accountant General
Madras

No. 231 P.

Dated
Recd. 9th } January 1877

Forwards for transmission to Government an application for the grant of a Superannuation pension to Nagappah Mooneappah Pillay late Sub Engineer 3rd Grade of the Tanjore District.

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APPLICATION FOR { PENSION ~~GRATUITY~~

1. Name of Applicant. Nagappah Mooneappah Pillay.—
2. Father's name. Nagappah Pillay.—
3. Sect or Caste. Vellalah.—
4. Residence. Manargudi in the Tanjore District.
5. Present or last employment. Sub-Engineer 3rd Grade.—
6. Date of beginning of service 1st September 1841.
7. Date of end of service 11th November 1876.

	Y. M. D.
8. Length of service including breaks	35 – 2 – 11
of which superior	33 – 10 – 16
inferior	" – " – "
non-qualifying and breaks	1 – 3 – 25

9. Class of {pension ~~gratuity~~} applied for, and cause of application* ~~Retiring~~ Pension under Section 58 of the Civil Pension Code.
10. [Average] emoluments or pay. 224 – 7 – 6
11. Proposed pension. 112 – 3 – 9
12. ~~Proposed gratuity~~.
13. Date from which to commence. 12th November 1876
14. Place of payment. Tanjore.—
15. ~~Age of Applicant on this date~~. Date of applicant's birth by Christian Era } 15th December 1820.
16. Height. Five feet - five inches.—
17. Marks. Bamboo Colour. A scar of a wound upon the right knee and two small black moles respectively behind the ears.—
18. Date. 23rd November 1876.—

Captain R.E.
District Engineer Tanjore.
SIGNATURE OF THE HEAD OF OFFICE.

* 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.

HISTORY OF THE SERVICE (SHOWING BREAKS). OF *Nagappah Mooneappah Pillay Sub Engineer – 3rd Grade – Tanjore District*

Estab	Appointment	Pay	Acting	Date of	Date of end.	Period reckoned	Period not reckoned as	Remarks.	How verified.	Remarks by ~~Accountant General~~ Examiner P.W.A.
Civil Offi										
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REMARKS BY HEAD OF OFFICE.

1. As to character and past conduct of Applicant. The Applicant has borne a uniformly good character throughout the whole period of his Service and has rendered excellent Service to Government as shown by the numerous high testimonials he has obtained from the officers under whom he served.–

2. Explanation of any suspension or degradation.

3. Regarding any gratuity or pension already received by Applicant. See Chapter XX.

4. Explanation under Section 47, Rule 1, so far as the Head of the Office can give it.

Captain R.E.
District Engineer Tanjore –

5. Any other remarks. Vide District Engineer's Certificate attached –

No 20.

CERTIFICATE AND REPORT OF ~~ACCOUNTANT GENERAL~~. Examiner of Public Works Accounts

SIGNATURE.

CERTIFIED that ~~(subject to the sanction being accorded)~~ qualifying service in {~~inferior~~ superior} grades has been duly proved for thirty three years ten – months & sixteen days; and that a ~~superannuation~~ {pension ~~gratuity~~} not exceeding Rs. 112 – 3 – 9, is admissible under Section – 60 – of the Civil Pension Code revised edition of 1st December 1876. The calculations have been duly verified. The certificate of the Head of the Office as required by rule 3 of section 56 of the Civil Pension Code was not in the first instance submitted by the District Engineer Tanjore but on a reference to the Secretary to Govt. in the Public Works Department on the subject a certificate has been received which is herewith submitted for the orders of Government.

L Conway Gordon ~~Accountant General~~.
Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

Fort Saint George }
11th January 1877 }

Fort Saint George
Acctt. Genl's office
15 January '77 }– with

Countersigned –
W M Lodwick.
Accountant General –

M.L.
10-1-77.

Pension 1877 Depts

No. 27

APPLICATION FOR {PENSION ~~OR~~ ~~GRATUITY~~

Date of application.
11th January /77

Name of Applicant.
R. Iruorneappah Pillay

Last appointment.
Sub Engineer

Class of {pension ~~or~~ ~~gratuity~~

Amount of pension sanctioned.

Amount of gratuity sanctioned.

Date of commencement.

Date of sanction.

Recd 29th Jany /77

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Public (1876) DEPARTMENT.

From

N. Mooneappa Pillay,
Sub. Engineer in charge
of No. 4 or
Mannargoody Range
D. P. W. Tanjore Dist.

Fyl. 12

Dated 18th
Received 19th } January 1877

No. 35.

Prays that he may be retained in the Service as his fitness and efficiency are unquestionable

With order No. 32
disp.
1/2/77

For Accounts Genl.
Examiner of P.W. Accounts
District Engineer Tanjore
Chief Engr. Irrign. Dept.
Mooneappah Pillay

Order thereon 29th January 1877 No. 32

The Govt. direct that Sub Engr. Mooneappah appear before a medical board for examination as to his physical fitness for the active & efficient discharge of his duties in the Dept. in which he is employed

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Note. Col. Oakes is clearly of opinion that Sub Engr. is mentally & physically fit – this physical defect seems to leave him an active thoughtful [illegible]

H.
22.1.77

The Rule is clear that the State shd not be burdened with Pension for W.C.'s officer [illegible]