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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated	16-8-	18 80.

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Madras Observatory, May 31st 1860.

From

R. Pogson, Esq.,
Government Astronomer and Meteorological Superintendent.

One Accountant General
Madras.

Sir,
Herewith I have the honor to return your objection letter of the 23rd ultimo, No. $\frac{A.D.K.}{501}$, in the matter of a pension application on behalf of T Mesthossawmy Pillay, late Second Assistant and Acting First, with such explanations as I am able to offer to the enquiries therein made.

Referring to the seven objections as numbered in your letter referred to:—

2.—"How verified"—By the actual records made by the applicant in the office books, throughout the time of his service, under successive Directors of the old Magnetical Establishment before 1850, and of the Madras Observatory, after his transfer to the latter Department, on July 1st of that year.

4.—"Sick Leave from 14 to 24 July 1858".—As T Mesthossawmy Pillay's service is my case so considerably in excess of thirty years, it surely cannot signify about an uncertainty or irregularity of a few such a faint of only eleven days.

8.—"Lost Pay Certificate".—Not sent before, as it was supposed such should be granted by the Accountant General and not by the Government Astronomer. One is now forwarded as desired.

20.—Spelling of Name &c.—The frequent irregularity in spelling names of native persons and places in India is the only explanation I can offer to this enquiry. The individual referred to is the same throughout, and I have always known him as T Mesthossawmy Pillay. I cannot explain why his name is not traceable in the Annual Returns from 1844 to 1850, but I can vouch for his service during those years from his records and observations continuously made during the time.

21.—I do not believe that any pension or more well established claim for pension can ever have been submitted to your Office by any member of the Government Service. There is not a doubt about his satisfactory and continued service throughout his long connection with the Observatory.

22.—Complied with, but before omitted only by oversight.

23.—Quite unable to afford any reply to this enquiry as I was not in charge of the Observatory until three years later. Major W D Woodhouse R.A. was then Acting Astronomer, and rules were not adhered to in

these times it would appear as they are now.

Trusting these replies will be kindly accepted and the process continued with as little further delay as possible.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

N R Pogson

Government Astronomer



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Madras Observatory, February 26th 1880

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From

N. R. Pogson, Esq.,
Government Astronomer and Meteorological Superintendent.

To

A Catterill Esq. B.C.S.

Accountant General — Madras.

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Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith an application for Pension on behalf of T Moosthannay Pillay, hitherto Second Assistant in the Madras Observatory; who, partly on account of declining vigor from his being over sixty years of age, but chiefly owing to rapid decay of sight, quite disabling him as an astronomical observer, has taken my advice to retire from the service from the 1st instant.

His long and meritorious services, — thirty seven years actually, if four years not counting agreeably to the rules of your Code, had been included, merits some very special recognition, and I have therefore suggested for him a pension of Rupees fifty per month, slightly in excess of his actual claim, if such can by any means be permitted him.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

N R Pogson

Government Astronomer.



APPLICATION FOR ^{PENSION.}
~~GRATUITY.~~

1. Name of Applicant. *Drangubar Moottosawmy Pillay*
2. Father's name. *Drangubar Chinuatambi Pillay*
3. Sect or Caste. *Syva - Vellala*
4. Residence. *Pussawalkun Madras*
5. Present or last employment. *2nd Assistant, acting for the 1st Assistant.*
6. Date of beginning service. *1st February 1847*
7. Date of end of service. *31st January 1880*
- | | Y. | M. | D. |
|---------------------------------------|----|----|----|
| 8. Length of service including breaks | 33 | 0 | 0 |
| of which superior | 33 | 0 | 0 |
| inferior | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| non-qualifying and breaks | 0 | 0 | 0 |
9. Class of ^{pension}
~~gratuity~~ applied for, and cause of application* *Retiring Pension*
10. [Average] emoluments or pay. *R 80*
11. Proposed pension. *R 50*
12. Proposed gratuity. *"*
13. Date from which to commence. *1st February 1880*
14. Place of payment. *Madras*
15. Age of Applicant on this date. *60 years and 24 days (7 Jan 20)*
16. Height. *ft 5 ins 5*
17. Marks. *None; but complexion fair and vision impaired.*
18. Date. *31st January 1880*

* 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.

M R Deyson
Government Astronomer
SIGNATURE OF THE HEAD OF OFFICE.

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Submitting an application for
retiring pension on behalf of D
Moottosawmy Pillay, General
Assistant in the Madras Observatory,
Service Book enclosed.

*Madras Observatory - 1880 February 16.
Recd 23rd June 1880*

*From 1880 Sept 4th
To 31st Dec 1879
The Government Astronomer
The Madras General
Madras.*

HISTORY OF THE SERVICE (SHOWING BREAKS) OF

Thangalashetty Mottaray Pillay.

Establishment.	Appointment.	Pay.	Acting Allowance.	Date of Beginning.	Date of End.	Period reckoned as Service.			Remarks.	How verified.	Remarks by Accountant-General.
		RS.	A. P.	RS.		Y.	M.	D.			
Madras Chartered Corporation	1st Writer Magnitude	10	"	"	1st February 1847	"	9	"			Verified from the records.
	Charvatary	8	"	"	1847	"	"	"			From the records of work done by the Charvatary.
	2nd Writer do.	21	"	"	1st January 1850	2	8	"			Thangalashetty Mottaray Pillay as Charvatary in the Magnitude and the Charvatary's Department and the Charvatary's Department.
	By 1st Assistant	21	"	1850	31st December 1850	"	6	"			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
	2nd Writer do.	20	"	"	1st January 1851	5	1	6			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
	1st do do.	35	"	"	15 February 1851	2	3	7			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
	By 1st Assistant	35	"	20	15 May 1853	2	15	"			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
	1st Writer do.	35	"	"	20 May 1853	8	23	"			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
	By 1st Assistant	35	"	"	20 May 1853	10	13	"			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
	1st Writer do.	35	"	"	15 March 1854	2	10	11			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
	2nd Assistant do.	44	"	"	15 January 1855	2	10	14			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
	2nd Assistant do.	80	"	"	1st December 1855	7	8	"			Charvatary and the Charvatary's Department.
Total period of {superior} service ...						33	11	10			

REMARKS BY HEAD OF OFFICE.

1. As to character and past conduct of Applicant.

Character and conduct exemplary throughout his long service of nearly thirty seven years. A most accurate observer and only acting on account of advanced age and consequently impaired sight. A worthy subject in every way for specially favorable consideration in the matter of pension.

2. Explanation of any suspension or degradation.

None.

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

None.

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

The applicant is quite unfit for further service.

5. Any other remarks.

None.

CERTIFICATE AND REPORT OF ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL.

CERTIFIED that (subject to the remarks below recorded) qualifying service in {inferior} grades has been duly proved for 32 years 11 months and 19 days; and that a Retiring {pension} {gratuity} equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ an average pensionable salary of the Civil Pension Code. The calculations have been duly verified.

It will be seen from the entries opposite to No. 11 on the 1st Page and from the remarks against No. 1 on the 3rd page of the application, that the Government is amenable under Section 66, 68 (C) of the Civil Pension Code. The Board of such pension is respectfully recommended by the Government of India in the following manner:—

under the provisions of the Civil Pension Code. The Board of such pension is respectfully recommended by the Government of India in the following manner:—

In accordance with the rules and orders of the Government of India, the Secretary of the Government of India is directed to pay to the applicant the pension of Rs. 400 per annum, on account of such pension.

For the Government of India, Secretary of the Government of India.

SIGNATURE.

H. R. Duggan
Government of India.

11 months

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Date of Application. 17th June 1880

Name of Applicant, *S. A. Mottosamy Pillay*

Last Appointment. 2nd Assistant in the Canadian
War story --

Class of {pension or gratuity}

Amount of pension sanctioned.

Amount of gratuity sanctioned.

Date of commencement.

Date of sanction.

Watford 863

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.

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Name of appointment.	Nature, i.e., whether substantive or acting, permanent or temporary.	Substantive appointment, if the new appointment be acting only.	Pay.	Acting allowance.	Date of appointment.	Signature of Officer.
1 4 th Writer Madras Observatory	Permanent		24	10-8	1847 Feb 1	J. Moorthosawmy Pillay
2 2 nd do do	do		21	—	1847 Nov 1	
3 2 nd do do	Acting Permanent	5 th Assistant Madras Obs	21	10-8	1850 July 1	
4 2 nd do Madras Observatory	Permanent		30	—	1851 Jan 1	
5 1 st Writer Madras Observatory	Permanent		35	—	1855 Feb 5	
6 1 st Writer Madras Observatory	Acting Permanent	5 th Assistant Madras Obs	35	20	1858 May 15	J. Moorthosawmy Pillay
7 1 st Writer Madras Observatory	Permanent		35	—	1858 May 25	
8 Sick leave (under Section IV & V) from 17 th to 27 July 1858						
9 Privilege leave from 28 July to 16 August 1858						
10 1 st Writer Madras Observatory	Acting Permanent	5 th Assistant Madras Obs	35	20	60 Feb 20	
11 1 st Writer Madras Observatory	Permanent		35	—	1860 Dec 4	J. Moorthosawmy Pillay
12 Privilege leave from 4 to 21 July 1860						
13 Privilege leave from 4 to 21 July 1860						
14 4 th Assistant Madras Obs	Permanent		44	—	1862 Aug 16	
15 Privilege leave from August 3 to September 2, 1862						
16 2 nd Assistant Madras Obs	Permanent		80	—	1865 Dec 1	J. Moorthosawmy Pillay
17 Privilege leave from April 16 to May 1, 1865						
18 2 nd Assistant Madras Obs	Acting Permanent	1 st Assistant Mad. Obs	80	20	1873 Aug 1	
19 2 nd do do	Permanent		80	—	1873 Nov 3	
20 Privilege leave from 1 to 30 May 1876						
21 Privilege leave from 11 th August to 25 th October 1878						J. Moorthosawmy Pillay
22 2 nd Assistant Madras Observatory	Acting Permanent	1 st Assistant Mad Obs	80	20	1879 Feb 1	

8	9	10	11	12
Character of Officer.	Signature & designation of immediate head of the Office.	Date of termination of appointment.	Reason of termination e.g., transfer, promotion, return of permanent incumbent.	Signature and designation of immediate head of the Office.
No entry need be made in this Column except when there is any thing either good or bad to be recorded. Suspensions should be noted here when the order of suspension is passed.		1847 Oct 21	Promotion	
		1850 June 30	Temporary Promotion	
		1850 Dec 30	Classification	
		1856 Feb 4	Promotion	
		1858 May 12	Acting Promotion	
J. Moorthosawmy Pillay is a careful observer and computer and appears anxious to improve himself in the knowledge of his duties. 26 th April 1858. (Signed) W. S. Jacob H. C. Astronomer		1858 Aug 27	Reversion	
		1860 Feb 19	Acting Promotion	
I have found J. Moorthosawmy Pillay very desirous of improving himself. He is attentive in the performance of his duties. 12 th Oct 1859. (Signed) W. S. Jacob Major		1860 Mar 3	Reversion	
		1863 Jan 15	Promotion	
J. Moorthosawmy Pillay is intelligent and willing. I believe he will be found one of the best observers with the new instrument. 22 nd Sep 1860. (Signed) J. F. Tennant Major		1865 Nov 30	Promotion	
		1873 July 21	Acting Promotion	
		1873 Nov 23	Reversion	
		1879 Jan 31	Acting promotion	
J. Moorthosawmy Pillay has been most exemplary in character throughout his long service; an excellent observer, and neat and accurate in his records and calculations. He only retires in consequence of impaired sight and advanced age. 31 st January 1880. M R Poyson		1880 Jan 31	Retiring on pension	

Government Astronomer.

M R Poyson

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11. Explanation why the applicant was removed from the service before his incapacity for further service was duly established by a certificate.

12. Explanation why the medical certificate is post-dated to the extent of ^{days} the applicant having ceased to do duty on ^{months}

13. Information as to whether the applicant applied for his ^{pension} gratuity during his life-time; if so, when he applied, and when he died.

14. Information as to the name of the applicant's heir entitled to receive the gratuity or the amount of arrears of pension due to him.

15. Revision of the affidavit and contemporary evidence. The evidence should contain information on the following points:—

(a.) Whether the applicant was in permanent employ of Government.

(b.) Whether there were any breaks in the continuity of his service and whether he was at any time absent on leave other than privilege; if so, the nature of such breaks and the duration of such leave of absence should, as far as possible, be specified.

16. Information as to whether the appointment of ^{in which the applicant is stated to have} been acting from ^{to} was fully vacant, and whether any person, save the applicant, counted service in it during that period.

17. Information as to whether any endeavours were taken to provide a suitable appointment for the applicant. The amount of saving effected to Government by the abolition of his appointment in the Revision of Establishment should be stated.

18. Insertion of the several rates of acting allowance separately from pay.

19. A few more personal marks to facilitate identification.

20. Information as to why his name is shown as Mr. Muthuswami Pillai in the Annual Return of 1st May 1851 and why his name is not traceable in the Annual Returns from 1st May 1847 to 1st May 1850.

21. Insertion of "Specific opinion of Head of Office whether the service claimed has been established and should be admitted or not." (See amended rule 6 under Sect. 24) below No. 5 on the 3rd page of the application.

22. The remarks Nos 2 to 5 on the 3rd page of the application and the column headed "Personal marks for identification" on the 1st page of the Service Book herewith returned should be duly filled in.

23. The Circumstance under which the applicant was allowed Privilege leave in continuation of Sick leave in July 1858 should be fully explained.

SERVICE BOOK

or

Name.	J. Muthuswami Pillai
Caste or Race.	Vysa. Vellala.
Residence.	Perambalur, Chidambaram.
FATHER'S.	
Name.	J. Chinna Lakshmi Pillai
Residence.	Chidambaram.
Date of birth.	9 th January 1820.

See No. 118
Q. No. 863



Proceedings of the Madras Government.

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Read the following papers:—

From the *Government Astronomer* dated 26th February 1880 No. *A.O.S. 685*
 „ *Acct* Accountant-General, dated 17th June 1880 No. *A.O.S. 685*

ORDER THEREON, 16th Aug 1880 No. *A.S. 683*

Under Sections 66, 68(c) and 71

of the Civil Pension Code (4th Edition),

His Grace the Governor in Council is pleased

to grant to *Tranquebar*

Muthuswami Pillai 2nd Asst. Madras Observatory
2nd Assistant Madras Observatory a retiring
pension of Rupees (400—)

Forty per annum

payable at Madras from
 the 1st February 1880

in consideration of his qualifying *Superior*Service of *Thirty two* years,*Eleven* months, and *nineteen* days.

2. The applicant
 is now granted the
 maximum pension
 admissible in his
 class under

To the Accountant-General, with Register.

„ *Government Astronomer* the Pension
 „ *Acct*
 „ *Depd 16-8-80*

No. A. D. K.
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[To be returned with reply.]

TREASURY ACCOUNT DEPARTMENT,
 PENSION VERIFICATION BRANCH,

Fort Saint George,
 Accountant-General's Office,
 23 April 1880.

FROM
 THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL,
 MADRAS,

To
 THE *Government Astronomer*
Madras Observatory

SIR,

WITH reference to your application for pension ~~gratuity~~ on behalf of *Tranquebar*
Muthuswami Pillai 2nd Asst. Madras Observatory
 I have the honor to inform you that the final disposal of the application is
 delayed for want of Nos. 2, 4, 8 & 20 to 23

2. I particularly request that the required information may be supplied
 without delay, this letter being retransmitted for submission to Government along
 with the other papers connected with the case.

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,
 Your obedient Servant,

W. Donald
 Assistant to the Accountant-General,
 for Accountant-General.

1. House or country name of the applicant and that of his Father.
2. Insertion in the column headed "How verified," on the second page of the application herewith returned, the class of records from which the applicant's services have been verified.
3. Explanation of apparent breaks and degradation opposite to No. 2, on the third page of the application herewith returned.
4. Insertion in detail in the *History of Service* herewith returned of the several kinds of leave of absence other than privilege or casual leave enjoyed by the applicant. *as sick leave from 17 to 27 July 1868 and deduction of this period of leave from the total period of service viz years 33.*
5. Insertion in the service book herewith returned of the reason of termination of service on *for attestation of the entries thus made by the Head of the Office*
6. Insertion of the certificate opposite to No. 5 on the third page of the application that the applicant is inefficient owing to age or infirmity.
7. Signature of the *Applicant* Head of the Office in the appropriate columns of the accompanying service book.
8. Transmission of the *true copy* of the correspondence in connection with the applicant's *suspension* ~~dismissal~~ *in* and of a Last Pay Certificate.
9. Explanation of the cause of delay of nearly *months* ~~years~~ in the submission of the application.
10. Explanation why the applicant was retained in service up to *when the* medical certificate declaring him to be unfit for further service was dated the

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*Pension to further
Sundry Pensions to
2^d effect in the
Mudras observatory*

Govt. of 1880 Madras.

PENSION.

To

The Accountant-General,

Ec., Ec., Ec.

Dated

16th August 1880

Despd. "

G.O., 16th Aug 80 No 863

*Granting a Pension
of Rs 40 per mensem to
Messrs Messrs
Messrs 2^d effect in the
Mudras observatory*