MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras

DEPARTMENT

G.O. No. Date

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PENSION DEPARTMENT.

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14th October 1881, No. 1063.

**Pension.**

Read the following papers :—

From S. JACOB, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, to the Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, Petition Department, dated Simla, 12th September 1881, No. 2925 [Current No. 1890].

I am directed to forward a petition, dated 15th August 1881, from M. Srinivassa Charry, late Record-keeper, Salt Commissioner's Office, Nungumbakum, Madras, appealing against the decision of the Government of Madras declining to grant him a pension of one-third of pay or a gratuity, and to request that the Government of India may be favored with a report on the case.

2. The return of the petition is requested with the reply.

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To the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, dated Ootacamund, 14th October 1881, No. 1063.

With reference to your letter, dated 12th September 1881, No. 2925, forwarding for report a petition, which is returned as requested, from M. Srinivassa Charry, late Record-keeper, Salt Commissioner's Office, Madras, appealing against the decision of the Madras Government declining to grant him a pension of one-third pay or gratuity, I am directed to invite attention to your office letter, dated 28th February 1881, No. 911, intimating the refusal of the Government of India to the grant of a higher pension to the petitioner which was recommended by this Government.

2. The former papers are retransmitted, in case the Government of India wish to reconsider their decision.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
*Secretary to Government.*

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Govt. of West Bengal.
PENSION.

OCTOBER.

Pension.—Returning petition from M. Sundaram Chetty, late Record-Keeper, Salt Commissioner's Office, Madras, and drawing attention to letter of the 26th February 1881, No. 911, intimating refusal of the Government of India to the grant to him of a higher pension recommended by the Madras Government.

In continuation of this
appeal petition of 23rd
July last against the
order of the Board of Rev-
-enue, confirming petn re
-moval from the public
Service by the Salt Com-
-missioner, states that
on 16th August, petr was
required by the Salt Com
-missioner to appear before
Doctor Porter, who granted
Certificates in
written 10 days in the case,
and who is greatly preju-
-diced against petitioner; but
that Medical Officer could
find nothing from his (petrs)
appearance entitle him
him for what purpose he
appeared before that officer,
and until he saw petn does,
that this confirmed his state
-ment that he has nothing
in his body.

Prays, therefore, that
Govt may direct an
his case early, as he &
his children have been dying
from starvation, having had
no means of maintenance from that time and ground

# Petition & Rev. Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PETITION No. 1744 OF 1880.

From M. Srinivasa Chary

Occupation Late Record Keeper Salt Commissioner's Office

Village

Taluk

District Madras.

Dated 19th
Received 27th } September 1880.

*Enclosures.*

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SUBJECT.

Remitted

Number of Petition 2255
6th December 1880

To
His Excellency
The Right Noble
Baron of Ennesbury Earl of
Elenborough
Governor of Madras

My Lord,

I am Principal Record Keeper in the Salt Commissioner's Office, Madras, and respectfully beg to approach your Excellency on the 12th September 1879 & 12th February 1880 praying for leave of absence for 5 months & the Board in their letters for five months on my pleas. It is nearly 4½ months since I applied to Government & I have not yet received any

my Children without any meaning
Having pledged every thing I have
borrowed on all sides. I have
grace to pray Home leaving me
& my Children in most deplorable
state without any other assistance
neither have I did I entreated
Praying for an early Interposed
of my case without any further
delay for we are almost in
dying. I submit to 2 remind
Lest I no good will great fear
I trouble you I beg to remain
My Lord,
Your most obedient humble
servant

Reverend Henry
Lake Rivers Roseler
Lil Commissioners office
Fort Garry
Manitoba

Reference to his appeal
to Court of 23rd July last Com-
plains of his unjust removal
from his post, states that Mr.
Bliss delayed his case for 5 months
& the Bd in Hers turn for 5 months
on petrs appeal, that 8 or 10 1/2
Months since he appealed to
Court, but no reply has been
made & that as he is suffering
with his Children in want any
means of their support for an
early decision of his case.

# Petition { Land Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PETITION No. 2256 OF 1880.

From Mr. Srinivasa Chary

Occupation Late Record Keeper in the Salt Concessioners Office Madras

Village Royapuram

Taluk Purasawalkam

District Madras

Dated 6th December 1880

Received 10th " "

*Enclosures.*

ABSTRACT.

Madras
24th November 1880

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To
His Grace
The Duke of Buckinghame
& Chandos
Governor-in-Council
Fort St George

My Lord,

I, Mr. Srinivasa Chary, late Record Keeper, Salt Concessioners Office, Madras, beg to submit the following few lines for your Lordships favorable consideration and Orders.

I was removed from Government service on the 19th September 1879. Mr. Pollis delayed submission of his letter for my gratuity until February 1880 i.e. for 5 months. I submitted my appeal to the Board on the 25th February last after Mr. Pollis submitted his letter to the Accountant General. The Board delayed my case until July 1880 i.e. for 5 months. I had then Endorsements dated 19th July 1880 on the 21st July 1880

On

On the 23rd July 1880, I submitted my appeal to Government by a Registered letter. It is now 4 months since I submitted my appeal. I even submitted a reminder on the 19th September last. I have not received any Endorsement up to date. God Knows my difficulties in maintaining my family & children without any means to live upon. My own children are half dying.

I therefore most earnestly & humbly request Your Grace will be pleased to Consider my case & pass favorable orders with the earliest possible date.

I beg to remain
Sir Lord
Your most obedient & humble
Servant.

Dominica Chary
Dor 9218
Mangadoo Pamplemousses
Mauritius.

States that on 23rd
July 1880, he submitted
an appeal to Government
against his removal
from the Service by the
Salt Commissioner; that
he has, however, received
no orders thereon as yet;
that he sent a reminder
on 19th Sept. last; that
he has been without any
means of living since
his removal from the
Service on 19th Sept. 1879;
that he & his children are
half dying.

Prays, therefore,
that favourable orders
may be passed in the
case at the earliest
possible date.

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# Petition & Ref. Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PETITION No. 2128 OF 1880.

From M. Srinivasa Chary

Occupation late Record Keeper, Asst Commissariat Office

Village

Taluk Madras.

District

Dated
Received } 24 November 1880

*Enclosures.*

SUBJECT.

Remainder

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7/9/80.

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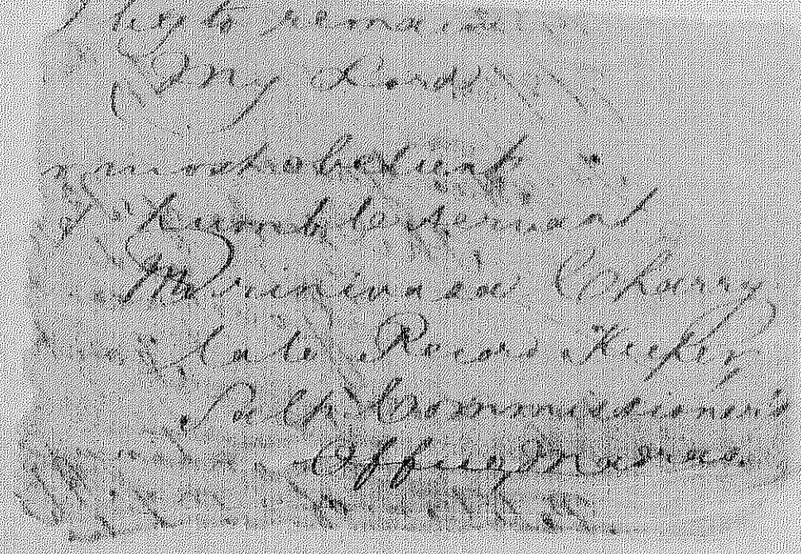
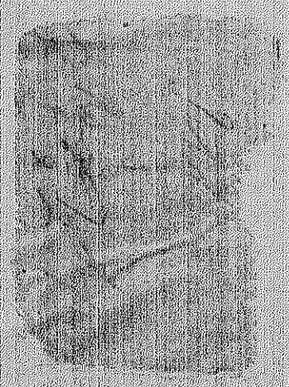
Petition of M. Srinivasa Chary late Record Keeper Asst Commissariat Office Madras dated 24th August 1880 praying that he may be granted the Pension of Rupees 4 per mensem to which he is entitled for 15 years service.

Petitioner was employed in the Asst Commissariat Office Madras from 23rd October 1865 to 31st December 1879 when he was discharged on account of reduction. He has been in receipt of Rupees 4 per mensem for 15 years service and is entitled to a pension of Rupees 4 per mensem.

Petitioner was employed in the Asst Commissariat Office Madras from 23rd October 1865 to 31st December 1879 when he was discharged on account of reduction. He has been in receipt of Rupees 4 per mensem for 15 years service and is entitled to a pension of Rupees 4 per mensem.







R. continuation of his petition of 27th Ultimo, states that he is entitled to an appointment in any other Dept than in the one in which he served last, as per wording of Br Porter's Certificate of 19th Sept 1879, copy of which put Lee sent with his first petition of 31st Ultimo.

Begs that this fact may be taken into consideration in disposing of his case.

# Petition & Rev. Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PETITION No. 1482 OF 1880.

From M. Srinivasa Chetty

Occupation Sale Record Keeper Sales Commissioners Office

Village

Taluk Madras.

District

Dated 4th

Received 9th August 1880

*Enclosures.*

SUBJECT.

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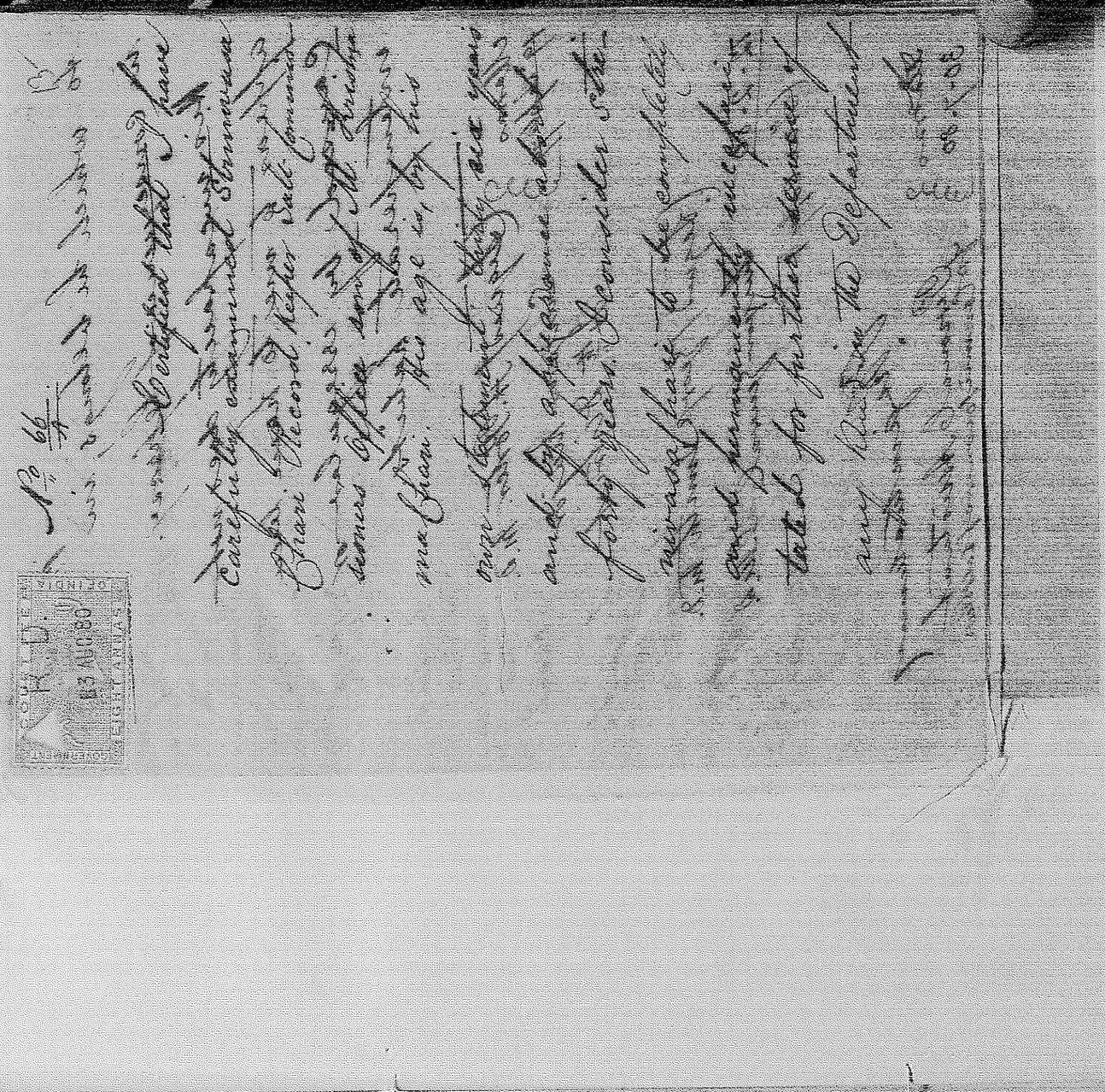

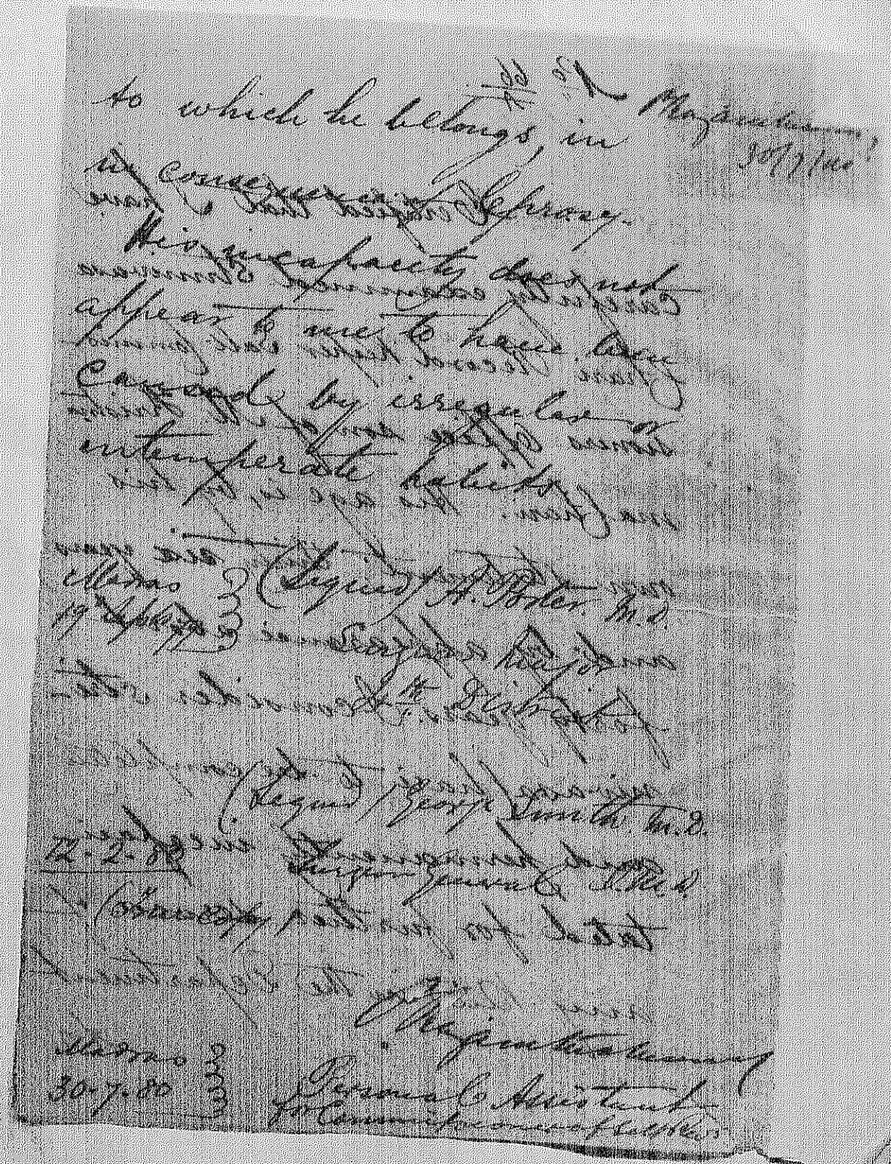

to which he belongs, in
the Commissioned Service.
His incapacity appeared
after he came to these Seas
Caused by irregular &
intemperate habits
Signed A. Porter M.D.
Surgeon in charge
Signed Geo. Jenks M.D.
Surgeon
Signed Geo. Jenks M.D.
Surgeon
Signed Geo. Jenks M.D.
Surgeon & Asst
for Commissioners of Pilots

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R. D.
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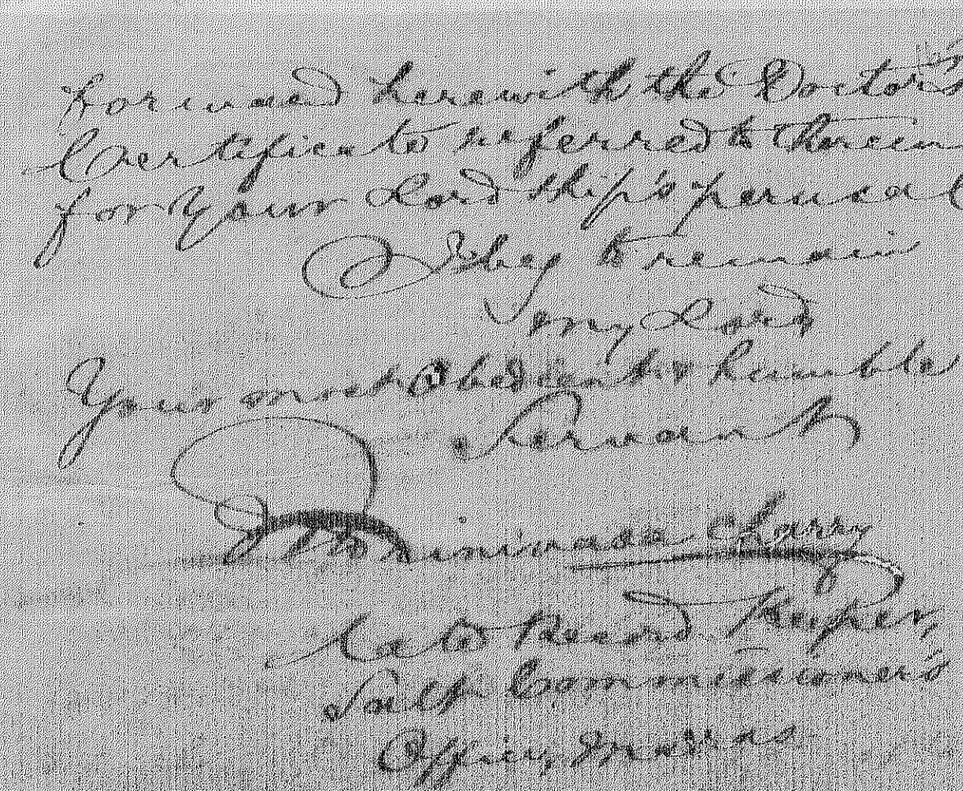
To

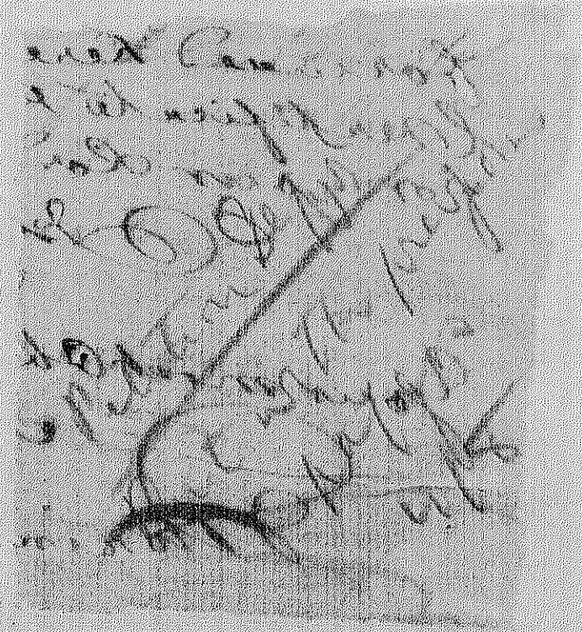
Madras
3rd July 1880

His Grace
The Duke of Buckingham
& Chandos
Governor of Madras
&c &c &c

My Lord,

With reference to Para 4 of the Letter of the Secretary to Government Revenue Department No 23 dated 22nd March 1880 (Order & Para of Proceedings) forwarding the Collector's Report on the Petition of Ramaswamy Reddy, Patwari of Srimushnam Chavadi, Cuddapah Register in the Taluk Commissioner's Office, for





Forwarded to the Doctor's Counsel
referred to in his former
petition of Appeal to Govt
submitted on the 23d July

Petition : Law Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Petition No. 1631 of 1880.

From Sir. Srinivasa Chase

Occupation late Record Keeper
Salt Commissioner's Office

Village

Taluk

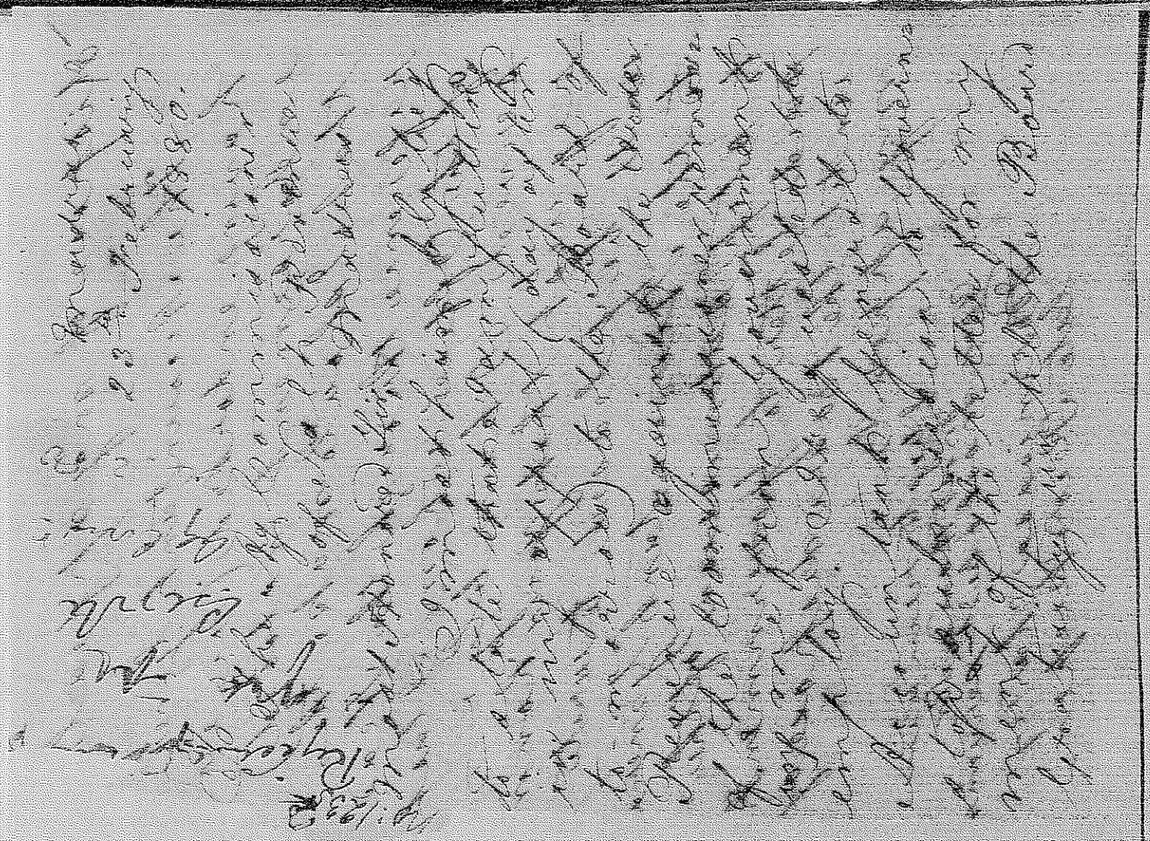
District Madras

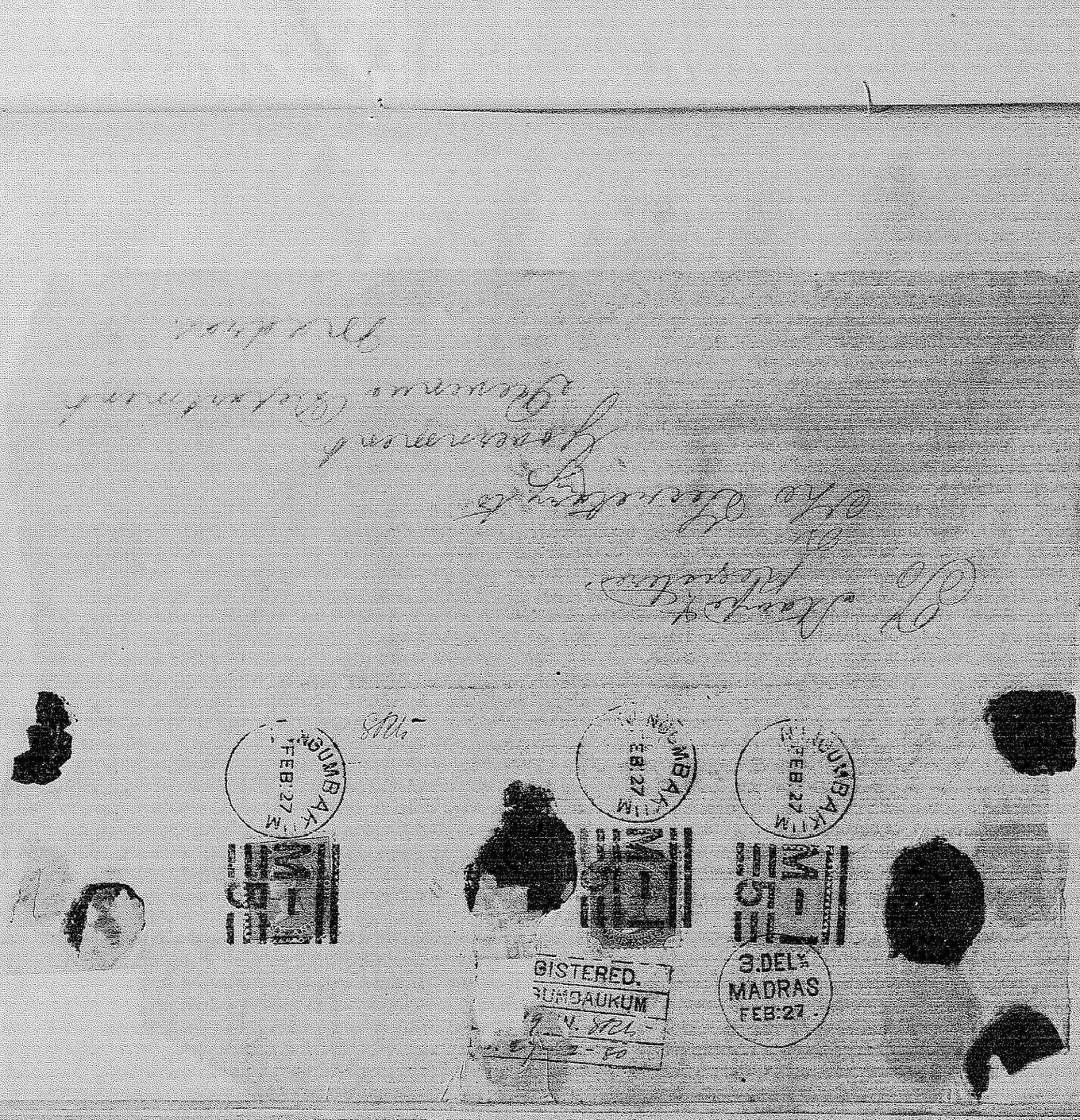
Dated 31st July 1880

Received 6th August 1880

Enclosures

SUBJECT.

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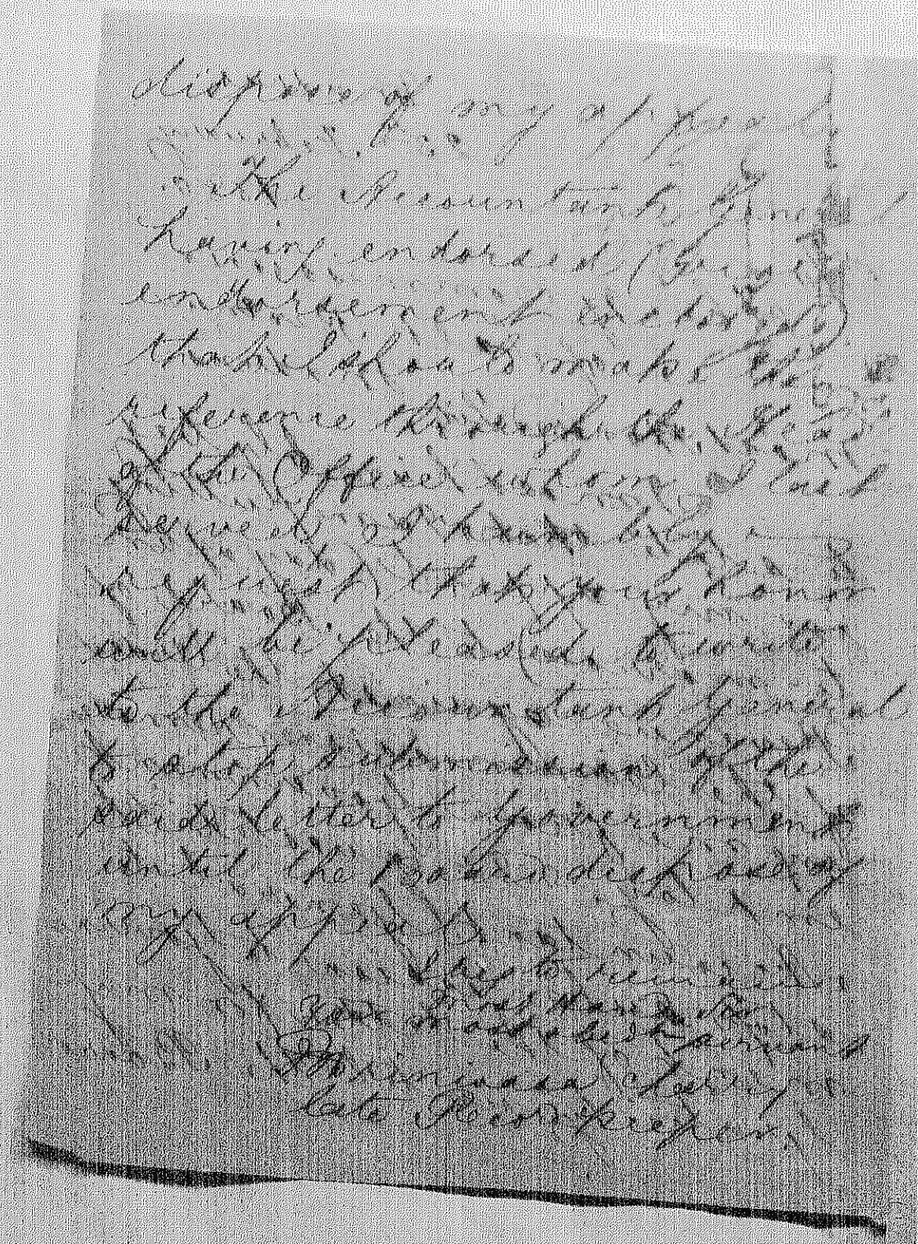

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From
Steinweg &c.
Dyer
Copenhagen
Receipt
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Register
Address Book
Letters Entered
Letters Received
Letters Copied
Receipt Book
Invoices
Cash Book
Ledger

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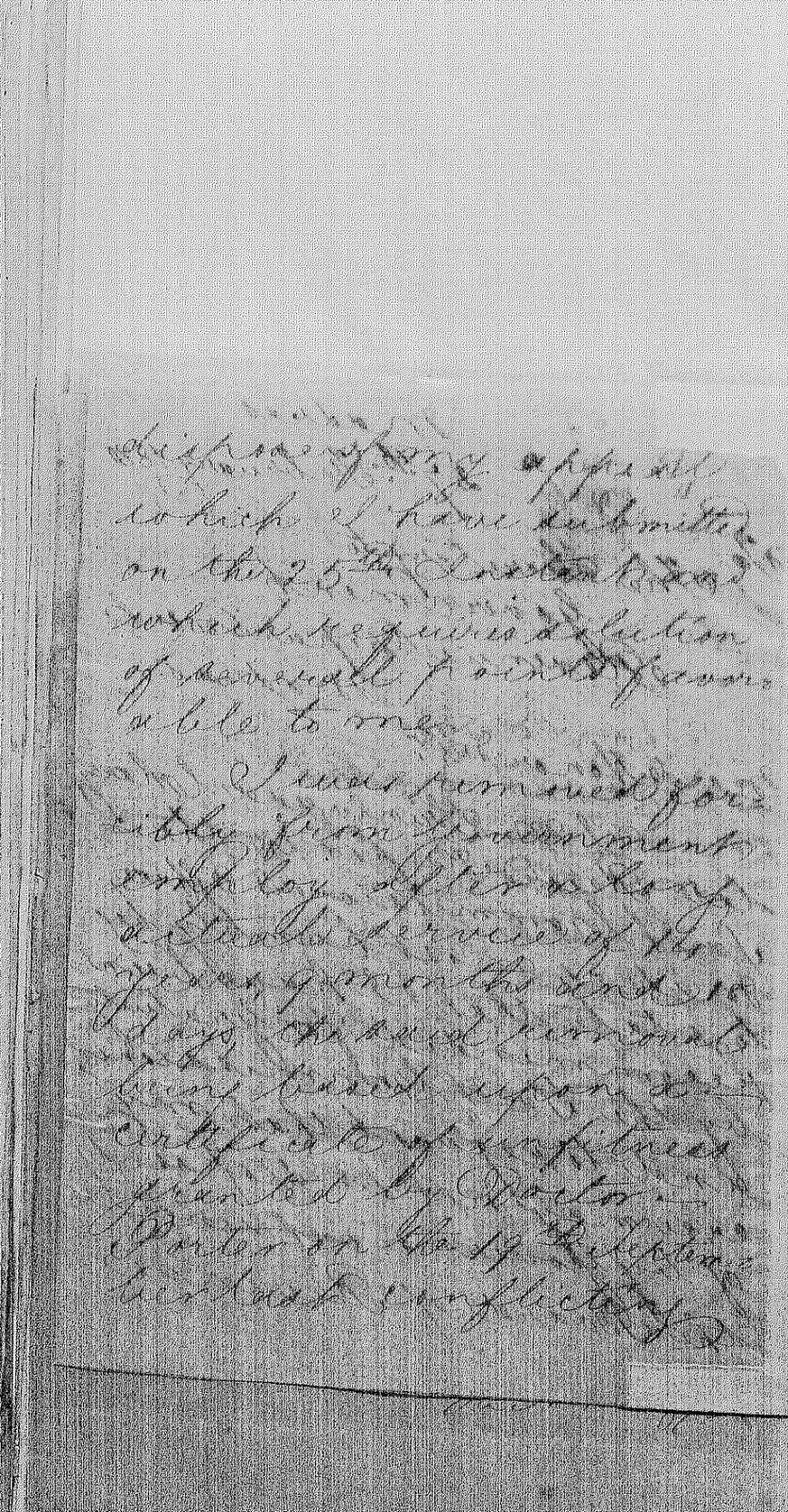
3742 A
Manchester
23rd February 1880

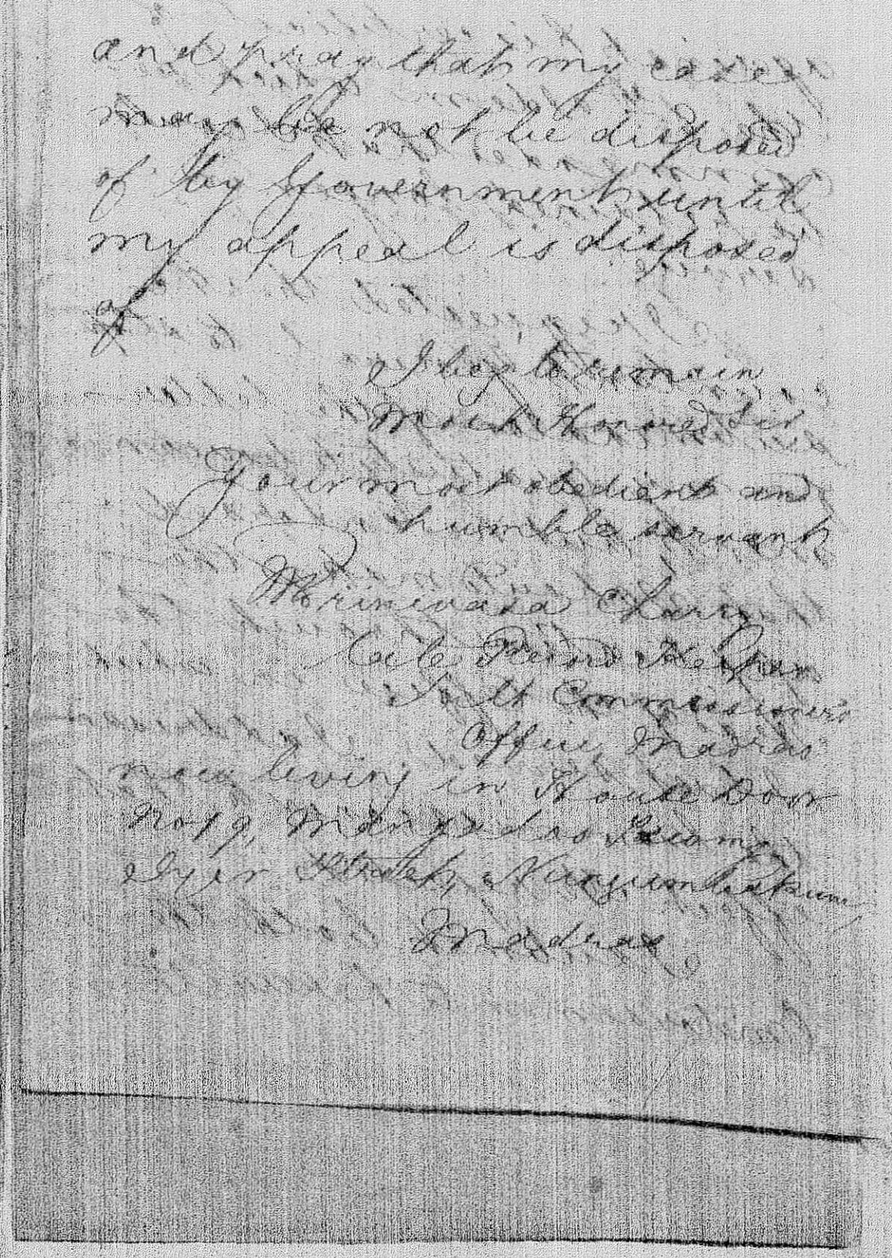
Messrs Steinweg & Sons
Dyers
Copenhagen

Gentlemen

We have pleasure in enclosing
herewith Bill of Lading for
Case of Piece Dyed Goods
shipped per Steamer Clara
for Copenhagen and trust
same will arrive safely to hand
We have also drawn on you
at 3 months date for £4 —
which please honour on
presentation and oblige

Yours faithfully





Brought to notice that
he has been removed from
duty from that employ-
ment after a service of 19 years
9 months and 18 days
upon a certificate of un-
fitness granted by Doctor
Arthur only Left; but that
he afterwards obtained another
certificate dated 18 March, in
which it is stated that
Arthur could be retained
longer in the Service; that
he has submitted an ap-
peal to the Board of Revenue
on 25th Feb., that he request-
ed the Salt Commissioner
to send his (Petitioners) Petition
to the Accountant General
desiring that Petn's case for
the grant of a gratuity might
not be sent up to Govt; but
that the Commissioner declined
to do so.

Prays, therefore, that
no order may be passed
in Petn's case, till the
disposal of his appeal
by the Board of Revenue.

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Petition Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PETITION No. 467 OF 1880.

From [illegible]

Occupation [illegible]

Village [illegible]

Taluk [illegible]

District

Dated 27th February 1880

Received [illegible]

Enclosures.

ABSTRACT.

Compulsory Retirement

Madras
23rd July 1880

To

His Grace
the Duke of Buckingham
and Chandos
Governor of Madras.

My Lord,

In continuation of my Registered letter of the 27th February last to the address of the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, I, Sriniwasa Chary, late Record Keeper, Salt Commissioner's Office, Madras, beg to submit this, my Extraordinary Appeal, against the Order of the Board of Revenue in their Endorsement dated 19th July 1880 on my Petition dated 25th February 1880 for simple the verbal Order of Mr. Blue, the Salt Commissioner of Madras, removing me from Government Employ after a long Service of 14 years 9 months and 18 days on the grounds

* Enclosed with their Enclosures. 43744 68 of 1880

grounds specified below, and request that this Honorable Government would be pleased to peruse my papers render justice and protection, a man of large family including 4 tender children, destitute of landed property or any other means of livelihood, and who is perishing with his children for want of food after such a long service.

Para 2. This Government is graciously pleased to confer upon me late Provincial Police Constables Charges of Rs 4 and Rs 3 and Rs 2 per day respectively which I have received for the Public Observatory at Madras and I have been induced to rob a family can now brought to such a state especially by the acts of my Superiors under whom I served, for, my labor was not properly appreciated.

Para 3. Grounds of Appeal.

1. That I do not know more than my own Language

x Vide Ex-C enclosed

xcopy of the inscription enclosed

ascertained the actual state of my body.

2. They have not given due consideration to Para 2 of my Petition of Appeal to the Board. Had they seen and considered my case carefully and properly they would not have come to this conclusion

3 The conduct of Dr Porter in granting conflicting certificates within 10 days was noticed. Dr Porter in his letter No 85 dated 8th September 1879 stated that my sickness was not far advanced and that I might be retained some time longer in service. Which became of this statement?

4 The facts that I took only 3 months & 19 days sick leave during a long service of 15 years 3 months & 5 days from 14th June 1864 to 18th September 1879, that I worked too hard even on the 18th September 1879 that I was not granted as usual leave although such indulgence

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is known to all Officers of long service and of meritorious standing that Sir Porter recommended for 3 months leave on his letter of the 8th September 1879 that, instead of his requiring an extension of 6 days leave on forfeiture of pay from 25th August 1879 and that Santosh my former superiors for 16 years with such liberal minds be taken into consideration 5 my petition of April 6 the Board should be careful ly read.

6 The Medical Board should be asked to give a full and detailed description of the state of my body & state whether I have any thing in any other portion of my body loathsome or contagious & have not known any one in the Salt Commercial Office objecting my presence. Except my toes which

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which is also cured and I am both of my hands with boots for years made & until I complete my service at Leach. Even the day the members of the Government may Examine me. Even this day several of my close friends are relieved in service to my knowledge. Of late Lt Col Dr C. H. Clarke late Civil Judge of Calcutta served under whom I served had some sickness in his feet concealed in his boots. They not that indulgence be shown to me.

7 The Government will do well to see how many deaths occur while on a duty even now. His petition and the enclosed one are my own friends in production and the in my handwriting.

Para 4th I was removed from service on the 19th September last. It is now 10 months since

since I was removed. Gentlemen drawing Hundreds & Thousands of Rupees pay per Diem find it exceedingly hard if their pay is delayed for a day or two. It is for Your Grace to conceive what shall be my fate and the nature of my health if I am made to suffer so long with children without any means.

## Prayer.

Under the circumstances stated in this Petition and its enclosures, I pray that I may be reinstated in Government employ in conformity with the Government Order No 660 dated 28th August 1877 regarding the Enforcement of invalid rules looking to the peculiar circumstances of my case, & so that I will create permanent advantage

advantage & protection to me & my children, taking into consideration the fact that I worked for Government so long too hard without proper reward as the enclosed papers will show and that this Government will not like to see a man so unjustly ruined. The Government can, if they please, order an appointment to be given to me in the Observatory Department.

If the Government should, after Examining me, agree with Dr Bliss, I pray that I may be granted pension without reference to the want of short period as a special case and considering that a year & half of my service is taken away by under age.

I have applied for a copy of the Doctors certificate of unfitness dated

19th

19th September 1879 I will
submit it as soon as I
get it.

I request that the
Government will be pleased
to call for the whole Corres-
pondence in my case &
render justice.

I beg to remain

Sir

Your most obedient servant

A Srinivasa Charry

Late Record Keeper

in the Salt Commissioner's

Office Madras.

My Address

M. Srinivasa Charry

Door No 18

Nanjumbakam

Madras

COURT FEE
TWO RUPEES

To

The Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Madras.

Most Honored Sir,

I, M. Srinivasa Charry, late Record Keeper in the Salt Commissioner's Office, Madras, beg to lay this, *my Extraordinary appeal*, before the Board against the verbal order of the Salt Commissioner removing me from Government employ after a long actual service of 14 years, 9 months and 18 days for their favourable consideration and orders, and request that the Hon : Board will be pleased to take immediate steps in my case before it is finally disposed of by Government and render justice to a man who has been born in a noble family, who has been a prey to a series of calamities from his birth, who has been utterly ruined by Providential acts and acts of partiality and injustice on the part of Government Officials, who has been unjustly removed from his appointment after such a long period without reference to Government Order No. 460 dated 28th August 1877, which supersedes Government Order No. 715, dated 2nd September 1872, who is now dying of starvation with his family and four tender children without any means to live upon after working for Government *most heartily and labouriously* for such a length of period, and who has been made to bring to his memory late Mr. Wolsey's speech "Had I served God as zealously as I served the King, He would not have left me helpless in my grey hairs."

2. I am ruined. Whether or not Government reinstate me or grant me gratuity (which will only meet my debts in part and make me perish with my children for want of food), I beg to lay before Government the injustice done to me throughout my public career for their consideration through proper channel.

3. I beg to submit herewith a Petition* addressed by me to Government with its accompaniments in connection with this case for the perusal of the Board of Revenue in order that they may make out my birth and injustice done to me before entering Salt Commissioner's Office, which led me to accept an appointment

Dated 20th March 1878.
Exhibit A.

Petition of Record Keeper M. Srinivasa Charry late Record Keeper in the Salt Commissioner's Office praying for reinstatement or grant of gratuity or pension or other relief.

under Mr. Bliss. As the said Petition contains every thing about my past career, I proceed to state the injustice, partiality and illtreatment shown to me in the Salt Commissioner's Office within a period of 1 year and 3 months, and pray that the Hon : Board may either dispose of my case themselves or submit it for the Orders of Government before the recommendation for my gratuity reaches them.

4. My Petition of appeal dwells upon the following points :—
   1. Explanation in regard to the arrangement of records.
   2. Explanation for my not having obtained chits which formed the subject of my ruin.
   3. Ill-treatment.
   4. Partiality &
   5. *Doctor's certificate.*

5. *Arrangement of records.*

My timid nature made me fear Mr. Bliss a good deal from the moment I entered his gates until I left the Office in the nights every day as I was saddled with several responsible duties, and I could not have therefore represented to him personally what I had to say. I therefore submitted petitions to him representing my difficulties on the 5th August 1878 and 3rd February 1879. No consideration was given to them although the latter was supported by the then Assistant Commissioner Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo. These Petitions will show what steps I took for the arrangement of records, and in what way I was subjected to difficulties. They will also show that I prayed for my Assistant being given to me. The Government have sanctioned an Assistant Record Keeper on 25 Rs. The engagement of my Assistant on other duty throughout, the employment of my Attender on other duty for sometime and his subsequent absence on leave made me suffer a good deal having had to act the part of an Attender even at the very starting, in arranging papers, filing gazettes and in answering the frequent calls of the then Assistant Commissioner Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo and the then Head Accountant for simple things that could be done by chits, such Officers not caring the value of my time. As these Officers were my immediate superiors I could not avoid answering their calls. Again in December 1878, I was required to register the papers received in the Account Department in addition to my business. From November 1878 I was required to distribute spare copies of Government and Board's Proceedings (a business which did not form a portion of my duty as far as I have heard). This latter work took away a good deal of my time, for, I must read them, wait upon the Assistant Commissioner for orders, the Assistant Commissioner Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo making me wait long before him without allowing me to go and attend to my business. He would sign



others' papers although I waited before him without knowing the value of my time. Thereupon I should write footnotes, get them lithographed correctly (orders in some cases being different from the usual ones) see to their despatch, apply for more copies when enough number is not received, wait their receipt, and then distribute them. Further, under the orders of the Commissioner on my Petition dated 5th August 1878, the Head Clerk took back the whole of the papers of the Correspondence Department and kept them until January 1879. They were then given to me without a list (List was sent long afterwards from circuit Office and could not be trusted as the papers were on rotation), and a good number of references were required to be found out from such papers with which I had no acquaintance. Moreover, in regard to the arrangement of records there was a good deal of discussion with Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo. He after all decided that I need not keep a separate register or list of papers but that I could keep satisfied with my initial in the Receive and Despatch registers. This was in regard to the papers of the Account Department and those of the Correspondence Department of course remained with them until January 1879, as above stated. Besides this, in most cases papers were required by the late and present Assistant Commissioners, the late Head Accountant, the Head Clerk and other Officials by giving out the subjects of letters and not their numbers or dates as directed by the Commissioner. Board's Standing Order directs that papers should be given to record once in a week and that after final disposal. But in this office papers are given every now and then without reference as to whether they were disposed of or not. This I represented to Mr. Bliss, in my petition of 25th May 1879. No notice was taken of it. When I sat to arrange papers several would come for references simultaneously or I would get spare copies for distribution. If I go to office on Sundays or holidays to arrange papers, Mr. Darmarow Naidoo Garoo would come and require references even on such days. The Index of 1878, which was for the papers of the correspondence Department was neither completed in that year nor would give reference to all papers received, but to those of specified subjects. The Index of 1879 was just the same. As soon as papers are received they are sent for registry and after registry they are sent to the officers concerned. I was required to produce a paper abruptly by saying "There is a letter to or from such Officer, regarding so and so, bring it." If I represent to the Assistant Commissioner that No. or date is not given or that I have not such paper, he would say "Don't bring these trivial matters to my notice, bring the paper somehow." I here venture to submit the question whether I am responsible and should produce any paper or that for which only I have initialled. Mr. Bliss was under the impression that numbers were given. He did not know how I

was harrassed in the Office. With so many difficulties I beg to know when I am to initial Registers and sort the papers. With so many difficulties I gave out references in 95 per cent. cases and a failure in a few cases only was brought to light. I had the following duties to do.

1. Look after the Library.

2. Get Gazettes filed and examine them.

3. Keep Accounts Current, vouchers, &c., give them out and replace them.

4. Initialling Receive and Despatch Registers, get them entered in the Record Register, sort them and place them in proper bundles. Initialling business is a great difficulty, for I had to wait the convenience of the Registrar and Despatcher.

6. Distribution of spare copies.

7. Giving out references under the aforesaid circumstances.

As I was responsible for so many things, I had to see to everything by my own eyes. I had to keep papers of 12 Districts and several Offices in Madras. I had to answer several Officials. Even if No. and date is given it requires two minutes to take out a paper from the record for we must find out the bundle, then take out the paper, wait until it is returned if it is to be returned at once, replace it in the bundle and put the bundle in proper place. If I am to find out a paper on abrupt requirement what time will it take ?

Under the aforesaid circumstances I beg to submit to the Hon : Board the question whether it is possible for one man with an Attender to get on as Record Keeper in an Office where *every thing is emergent*. When no proper system was introduced, when I petitioned the Commissioner to give me my Assistant, when Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo supported my Petition looking to the real difficult position of the Record Keeper, when things have been brought to a confused state not by my want of labor and exertions but by the aforesaid unavoidable circumstances, Mr. Bliss was not justified in engaging a man from my pocket money. I request that that money (10 Rs.) may be ordered to be refunded. The Head Clerk also told Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo that my case should be fought out and that I should be allowed an Assistant. In support of my statement I hear that the present Officer who has charge of the Records also expressed his difficulty and requested Mr. Bliss to permit him to take up his former appointment, and that



Mr. Bliss endorsed that he should put in his resignation if he could not get on.

6. Explanation for my not having taken chits which formed the subject of my ruin.

No doubt there is the Board's Standing Order and the Commissioner's Order that I should obtain chits for the papers I give out. The Board's Standing Order directs that Officers requiring paper from record should note down the description of the paper required in a chit and send it, but here the Head Clerk would invariably require papers on verbal description, and hurry me for every thing. He would say that I should prepare chits for him. I don't see why. Assistant Commissioners would invariably require papers on verbal requisition. It was delicate to ask them for a chit. Other Officers would equally hurry me for papers and make a fuss to give chits on the ground that they take papers for the Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner or that they would return the paper immediately. With so may difficulties I enforced the rule as far as practicable in 97 per cent cases, and the failure in some cases was either from a difficulty to obtain chits as stated above or from an omission in a hurry of business. The failure was accidental and not intentional. Even in such cases I put out chits marking with whom papers were. As regards the missing of Messrs Mullick & Co's Weekly Salt Price Current file I beg to explain thus. On the evening of the 8th August 1879 the Head Clerk wanted the said file for some reference for a few minutes. As it was a file book as he was seated in the same room with myself and as he promised to return it immediately I gave it to him without chit. As file books are always on rotation among several officers I did not consider it necessary to take chit. He did not return it that evening. Unfortunately for me I was laid up with bile complaint the very next day and was compelled to take leave on forfeiture of pay being unable to move from bed. The file seems to have been returned to the Acting Record-Keeper. On my rejoining the Office on the 1st September 1879 the Acting Record Keeper said that the file was given in an incomplete state and that the Head Clerk (who was on circuit) should be asked. On my asking him after he returned on the 9th September he said that he gave it away to the Acting Record Keeper. Thus I did not lose it. It missed in the Office somehow in my absence. When Mr. Bliss wanted the missing portion of the file on the 18th September for which I was searching all along I said I was searching for it. He fined me 3 Rupees, held me responsible for the missing file which cost me 22 Rupees and deprived me of my bread ruining me and my children without considering my

long service or giving me some other appointment as per Board's standing Order which states that when a man is found incompetent in one appointment he can be reduced to some other appointment. I have on the 3rd may 1879 requested him to transfer me to some other appointment. He seems to have told Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo that he would turn me out, and again Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo told me that I would get an appointment of 40 Rupees. Seeing that a loss of 10 Rupees is a loss of a lac of Rupees in my present circumstances and that it would affect my pension, I requested for another trial as Record Keeper. Mr. Bliss endorsed that I would be reduced to 25 Rupees if I complained once more. This fear made me keep quiet.

7. *Ill treatment.* I was worked on Sundays and holidays and even when I took leave on Medical certificate. If my Assistant was allowed, we would work in turn on holidays. In September 1878 I applied for leave on Medical certificate for a week on account of fever. That certificate was set at nought by Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo and I was dragged to Office and made to work with shivering cold and fever. In March 1879 I applied for leave on Medical certificate for two months. I was made to work without pay for 10 days after I submitted Medical certificate by Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo knowing that I was in a very bad state of health. Mr. Darma Row Naidoo Garoo would not even allow me to avail of a last Saturday and Sunday for an emergent business and refused to grant me leave on those days on forfeiture of pay. This refusal made me to take leave for two months in March 1879, In Nataraja Pillay's case embodied in Government Order No. 1,509 of 1879, Mr. Bliss clearly states that he ought to have dispensed with his services the moment he was certified unfit by the Doctor but that he retained him on special grounds. While such is the case the present Assistant Commissioner wanted me to work until 30th September 1879 after I was declared unfit for service by Doctor without in the least considering what should be the nature of my mind when I lost my appointment which was my *sole livelihood.* He would not allow me to avail of a last Saturday even (vide Exhibit B) after I delivered over charge. Business was so great and pressing that I could not be allowed even for tiffin sometimes. It is this treatment that made me sickly.

8. *Partiality.*—When Vijayaragavooloo Naidoo acted for me he was not forced to attend on Sundays and holidays. No other Officer was forced to attend on Sundays, &c. The present Acting Record Keeper Kishnasawmy Moodelly does not perform the duties of his appointment but that of an Accountant. Why should not such indulgence or some such be shown to me?



9. *Doctor's certificate.* On the Commissioner sending me to Doctor Porter for examination with his letter of the 2nd September 1879 he replied[a] on the 8th idem that I could be retained some time longer in service to get myself entitled to one-third pension, that my sickness was not far advanced, that my mind was clear enough and that three months' leave could be granted. Mr. Bliss kept the letter unnoticed until he could find fault to ruin me and when the aforesaid Salt Price Current file was missing[b] he said that he would turn me out and wrote to Doctor Porter that my presence in the Office and handling of papers was objectionable and that there was no advantage in giving me leave. Without knowing the difficulties of a Record Keeper *in his Office* Mr. Bliss wrote to Doctor that I could not keep up a list and that I am practically incompetent, thus indirectly inducing Doctor Porter to give me a certificate of unfitness.

[a] Vide Exhibit C

[b] Vide Exhibit D.

10. The points for consideration in this case are as follows :—

1. Whether the treatment shown to me throughout was fair.

2. Whether the Doctor was justified in certifying that I was unfit on the 19th September 1879 while he has considered on the 8th Idem that my sickness was not so far advanced and that I could be retained longer in service and whether it does not show that he granted the 2nd certificate on the inducement of Mr. Bliss. In the 2nd certificate Doctor states that he carefully examined me. He never examined my body although I offered myself.

3. While Mr. Bliss examined my leg when he first took me into his Office and carried on business with me for one year without considering that my handling of papers and presence were objectionable how did they become so when a file was missing.?

4. Why did he not reply Doctor's letter of the 8th immediately when he had such objections.? Why did he keep the letter for 10 days? He wanted to find fault and turn me out.

11. I submit that my sickness is not leprosy, for, if it were leprosy the whole of my body would have been disfigured by this time. By hard labor of 14 years without caring health or holidays and without sufficient comfort in proportion to my labor, my body was overheated and made me sickly for sometime after I came to Salt Commissioner's Office. The whole of my sick leave during a long service of 15 years, 3 months and 5 days from 14th June 1864 to 18th September 1879 is only 3 months and 19 days. If there was any thing loathsome in my body, or if I were so sickly would I

be allowed in public Office so long, would I work so hard even on the 18th September 1879, and would the Assistant Commissioner require me to attend even after the Doctor certified me unfit. There is nothing in my body except in one or two toes of which also I am cured by taking a strong medicine.

The Surgeon General saw me only once and he is not therefore in a position to make out how I was and how I am by treatment. There is nothing in my body. I have got feelings throughout. I can use boots and trowers on account of the one toe which I purposely got removed in the interests of my health. My service was unblotted until before I came to Salt Commissioner's Office. I requested assistance to be given which was refused. The illtreatment made me sickly and I am now all right. Only 2 months and 12 days is wanting to complete my service for pension. Perhaps 1 year and four months may be deducted on account of under age. Looking to my long service, hard labour and exertions, to the difference in Doctor's certificate, and to the fact that I did not take leave, that I did not care health in preference to Government business, that I satisfied my former superiors (vide my testimonials hereunto attached) and that the punishment inflicted upon me by fining me 3 Rs. and subjecting me to a loss of 22 Rs. is in itself too much beyond what my omission warranted, I pray that I may be reinstated in Government employ, and that the Board will be pleased to grant me some other appointment of equal or less pay or as a last source recommend me for Pension without reference to the want of a short period as a special case. The Hon: Members of the Board can examine me even this day. Every general rule has an exception and therefore the state of my body which is like that of others and the other circumstances of my case which are peculiar deserve a special favor in my case which I pray that the Board will show considering that I am ruined with 4 tender children after a hard labor of so many years. My age is only 37 and I have not come to the stage of using spectacles even. If the Board consider that I am entitled to reinstatement under the circumstances I pray that they will favor me with an appointment in some other Office and not under Mr. Bliss as the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner will be prejudiced against me by this appeal.



12. If the Board consider it necessary I request that they may call for the following petitions of mine to the Commissioner which are among the records of his Office.

1. My Petition to Mr. Bliss, dated 5th August 1878.
2. Do do 3rd February 1879.
3. Do do 25th May 1879.

I beg to remain,

Most Honored Sir,

Your most obedient and

humble Servant,

M. SRINIVASA CHARRY,

*Late Record Keeper,*

*In the Salt Commissioners Office.*

25th February 1880

M. Srinivasa Charry
Late Record Keeper
in the Salt Commissioners Office, Madras

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to attribute in his body he would not have been allowed to remain so long in the Dept. & he would not be able to work so hard even on the 18th September last; that the Salt Commissioner asked the doctor to examine the petr as to the state of his health, that the Dr. examined the petr & reported to the Commissioner on the 8th September that he could be retained some time longer in Service that his sickness was not for ever advanced. that his mind was clear enough that three months leave could be granted, that a year ago after the Commissioner wrote to the Dr. desiring him to give further certificate of unfitness that again the Dr. declined that he exempt, that thereon he was verbally ordered by the Commissioner to retire. Prays therefore that he may be restored to his place.

# EXTRAORDINARY CASE.

Appeal from M. SRINIVASA CHARRY, late Record Keeper in the Salt Commissioner's Office, Madras.

The appellant prays for reinstatement and refund of 10 Rupees and that justice may be rendered as he is ruined with tender children after a long service of 14 years, 9 months and 18 days.

Complains of injustice, partiality and ill-treatment, and of indirectly inducing a medical Officer to grant a certificate of unfitness on the 19th September 1879 conflicting against the same Officer's letter of the 8th Idem, that the Appellant may be retained longer in service.

States that his sickness is not leprosy for if it be so, his body would have been disfigured by this time, that after the Commissioner's office his body was enclosed by excessive work, that if there were any thing

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Case of
M. Srinivasa
Charry late
Record Keeper
Salt Commrs.
Office
Madras

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Endorsement on Petition No. ——— of 18 ; 37

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The petitioner ... is informed

that the Board cannot interfere

in his behalf.

(By Order.)

Revenue Board Office,
Madras,
19th July 1880.

Office Sub-Secretary.

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Board of Revenue.

PETITION DEPARTMENT.

Dated 18
Despd. { [illegible]

18[illegible].

Endorsement on Petition No. [illegible]
of 1880.

[illegible] 1377 of 1880.

Establishment Register of Petty Sessions held by the Resident Court of Salem, Madras District

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| | 2nd July 66 | 5th Writer | 15 | |
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| | 4th Octr 67 | 5th Writer | 9 | |
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| | 19th Octr 72 | Qy 2nd Writer on full pay | 35 | |
| | 1st April 73 | 2nd Writer | 35 | |
| | 25th Augt 73 | Qy Granthacter | 50 | |
| | 1st April 74 | 2nd Writer | 35 | |
| | 6th April 75 | Qy 1st Record Keeper on full pay | 70 | |
| | 16th Septr 77 | 2nd Writer | 35 | |

Was appointed as Record Keeper in Chief Court of Commissioners Office on the 25th June 1878 on a Salary of Rs. 58.

Salem
29th June 1878

Chapter of Establishments 37

The Sheristadar shall have access to the Record Room for the purpose of keeping the Records and Papers of the Civil Court and collecting the same.

Civil Court
15th July 68

Signed C. F. Cookson
Civil Judge

The Sheristadar shall, Qy 4th Writer under control and in the Court's absence, Qy 3rd Writer from the Civil Court, preside over the Court from 10 to 5 o'clock and shall be responsible for the proper conduct of the Establishment and Court Peons.

Civil Court
1st June 1872

Signed C. F. Cookson
Civil Judge

The Sheristadar shall keep conducted Civil Court Records and Registers (193) with care and obligation. He is also already required to examine through out Civil Court
3rd February 1876.

Signed J. C. Mannyngton
District Judge

The Sheristadar shall keep Records and Registers and shall be responsible for the safe custody of the same, and shall produce them when called upon by the Court.

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Copies of
Testimonials
Testimonies &c
Letters &c
Land Deeds &c
Deeds &c
Receipts &c
Certificates &c

COURT FEE
EIGHT ANNAS
INDIA

No 7369.

Office of the Commissioner of
Salt Revenue Madras.
Dated 18th Septr 1879.

From

H W Bliss Esqr
Commissioner of Salt Revenue Madras.

To

N. Porter Esqr M. D.
Surgeon 4th District.

Sir

In reply to your letter No 85 Dated Sept 8th 1879, I have the honor to state that any leave which might be granted to Sheminasachari would not count as service to pension. I do not see therefore the advantage of granting it to him with reference to the fact that if he remained somewhat longer in the service he could obtain a pension. In the meantime his presence in the office and his handling of papers with which others have to deal appears to me very objectionable and unsuitable. I cannot think that a peon can be described other than as permanently incapacitated for further service for this reason only and would therefore again ask if you cannot grant him a medical certificate to this effect. It is for his mind being clear I can only assure you that he is practically incompetent to the duties of his office, which are simply to take charge of papers, make out lists of them and produce them when called on to do so. I send him to you for examination.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servant
(Signed) H. W. Bliss.
Commissioner of Salt Revenue
Madras.

(True copy)

Copy applied for - 13-2-80.
Copy ready — 20-2-80
Copy given — do —
Expired 1st Chowgeechawdy

Majeed
Personal Assistant to the
Commissioner of Salt Revenue.

Ex. No. 1377 of 1880.

COURT FEE
EIGHT ANNAS

No. 2

From

The Surgeon
Ld. District

To

The Commissioner of Civil Revenue
Chittagong

Dated Hospital Assistt.
8th October 1879

Reference Lr. No. 7042 of 2nd inst.

Enclosures None

Sir

I have the honor to send back herewith
Chittagong Sub Assistt Surgeon Ramdhan Sing's
Leave Pay Roll of 2nd instant, for the usual attestation
a pension if allowed & remarks regarding the length
of his Services &c. &c. It would be advisable to release
his Services also long. His mind seems about enough
but his mind, as his leprosy, is not far advanced.
Perhaps he could be given three months leave.

I have the honor &c &c

Sd/-
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) H. Ender, M.D.
Surgeon Major
Surgeon Ld. District

True Copy

Sd/-
Second Asst. Surgeon
Commissioner Civil Revenue

Copy attached per P.P. 21-10-79
Copy sent to 20-2-80.
Copy given ——— Do ———
Copied by Nabinchandra Das

Sd/- No. 1099 of 1880

Comm. Chitt. Civil Revenue Office

In continuation of his
petition of 27th February
Last, to the Secretary to
State, Rev. Dr. Potts, appeals
against the enclosed
answer of the Board
of Revenue, confirming
the verbal order of the
Sub Commissioners, re-
moving Pat. from Cork
on pleg of his feeble
state of 14 years, 9 months
and 18 days on the ground
that he labours under some
Constitutional sickness; and
represents that the Board
of Revenue have not taken
into the actual state
of his body; that the conduct
of Dr Porter in giving in
Conflicting certificates
within 10 days has not
been noticed; that in his
first letter Dr 85 he stated
that Pat's sickness was
not far advanced and that
he might be retained some
time longer in Kilmainham; that

Dr Taylor on 8th Sept 1879.

Recommended that Pte Smith
be granted three months
leave; but that the Pleas
required the Pte, when he
applied for an extension
of leave for 6 days after finishing
of staff pay on 28th August
last; that he has been
without employ & without
any means of maintenance
for himself & family on
for the last 19 months
owing of 4 children and
suffering much.

Says, therefore, that
Govt may call upon the
Medical Board to submit
a detailed ~~report~~ description
of the state of Pte's body
and reinstate him in
his former post under
the peculiar circumstances
of his hard case; but that
if they cannot meet the
pleas, they may grant
him a pension, considering
the want of a short period
of service as a special case,
on the consideration of a year

and

half of the service have
been ~~accustomed~~ passed in
India.

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# Petition Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PETITION No. 1377 OF 1880.

From M. Srinivasa Chari

Occupation Late Record Keeper Salt Commissioners office

Village

Taluk Chingleput

District

Dated 23rd July 1880

Received 28th July 1880

*Enclosures. 10.*

SUBJECT.

Restoration or pension

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No. 2925

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

To The Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George
Petition Department

Simla the 12th September 1881.

SIR,

I am directed to forward a petition dated 15th August 1881, from M. Srinivasa Chary late Record Keeper Salt Commissioners office Kunjumbakum, Madras, appealing against the decision of the Government of Madras declining to grant him a pension of one third of pay, or a gratuity - and to request that the Government of India may be favoured with a report on the case.

2 The return of the petition is requested with the reply.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

Mathew Jacob

Under Secy to the Govt of India

Under 9/9

For 46-1/31-1-81: 88
" 17-2-81: 305
For 1/30-7-81: 513
" 39-6-81: 343
" 18-3-81: 310-73

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R. D.

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From

Dated 12
Recd.

SUBJECT.

Forwarding petition from Srinivasachary-lu & request to return the reply.

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Letter to Govt of India

No. 1065

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,

DEPARTMENT.

Sir,

With reference to Extract from Proceedings of Board of Revenue dated 12 September 1881-82 No 2925 forwarding petition of Srinivasachary which is returned as requested in favour from Rao Chandrasekhar Rao Bahadur Sub-Collector Rajahmundry dated 28 February 1881. I am directed to forward the reply of the Government of India

Government of India to the
grant of a Register Vessel
to the Settlement which
amended by the Government

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Title amended
by Dept 1883

187 DEPARTMENT.

*No.*

To

The Secretary to the

Government of

Department.

Dated 187 .