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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

pension DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1057	Press Mis.
Dated	8-11-	1882

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7/2/26 and 14/2/26

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PENSION DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

From M.R.Ry. A. RAMACHANDRA ROW, late Deputy Collector and Magistrate of Tinnevely, dated 30th September 1882.

Certificate and report from the Accountant-General, Madras, to the Acting Under Secretary to Government, Pension Department, dated Fort St. George, 17th October 1882, No. A.D.J.-287.

Certified that qualifying service in superior grades has been proved for twenty-eight years, four months, and twenty-eight days, and that if Government, on perusal of the medical certificate stated to have been forwarded with the Surgeon-General's letter to Government, No. O-328, dated the 7th July 1882, embodied in G.O., No. 2178, dated 10th idem, Revenue Department, are satisfied that the grounds on which the applicant's incapacity for further service is based are such as to admit of the entertainment of an application for pension on his behalf, an invalid pension not exceeding Rs. 250 per mensem, equal to half average emoluments, will be admissible under Sections 102 and 109 (c) of the Civil Pension Code, 5th Edition.

2. It will be seen from the first page of the application that the amount of pension claimed differs from that recommended by this office. The difference, it is presumed, is due to the inclusion in the calculation of average emoluments of acting allowance drawn from 15th March 1878 to 15th February 1880 at Rs. 100 per mensem, the period during which the applicant acted as Deputy Collector, Second Class, in the arrangement made in consequence of Dewan Bahadur Raghunada Rao's employment on foreign service. As the latter was, however, entitled to retain lien and count service for pension in his appointment under the British Government (*vide* Rule 17, Section 8, of the Civil Pension Code), none of the officers who acted in his arrangement were entitled to count service for pension in their respective acting appointments, and this office has therefore excluded the acting allowances thus drawn in calculating the average emoluments for pension (*vide* the case of Oopate Cannon, disposed of in G.O., No. 859, dated 14th September 1882, Pension Department).

3. In his letter to this office, dated the 10th October 1882, accompanying, Mr. Ramachandra Rao represents that he drew a special allowance, at Rs. 3 per diem, from 1st September 1869 to 14th February 1878, on account of the special duties which devolved upon him in connection with the affairs of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, and requests that this may be taken into consideration in the calculation of his average emoluments for pension, alluding to a despatch from the Secretary of State in support of his claim. In respect of this point, it is observed that the despatch alluded to is the one embodied in Government of India, No. 2792, dated the 5th August 1882, Financial. It does not seem to authorize the inclusion in the calculation of average emoluments for pension of local or daily allowances such as that drawn by the applicant; but it merely defines what classes of allowance should be included in the term "Salary" used in the several Resolutions of the Government of India, which define the powers of a Local Government in respect of the grant of

increases to pay and creation of new appointments. Under these circumstances, this office is of opinion that the applicant's claim to include the daily allowance in the calculation of his average emoluments is untenable.

4. In accordance with Rule 4, under Section 130, the attention of Government is respectfully solicited to Section 65 of the Code.

ORDER—dated 8th November 1882, No. 1057, Pension.

Under Sections 102 and 109 (c) of the Civil Pension Code (5th Edition), the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to grant to Arcot Ramachandra Rao, late Deputy Collector and Magistrate of Tinnevely, an invalid pension of Rs. (250) two hundred and fifty per mensem, payable at Madras from 10th May 1882, in consideration of his qualifying superior service of twenty-eight years, four months, and twenty-eight days.

2. Applicant's claim for a pension of Rs. 269-2-8 appears to have been based on a calculation of the average emoluments, in which the acting allowance drawn by him was erroneously taken into consideration.

(True Extract.)

J. D. REES,
Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Accountant-General, with Register.
„ the Collector of Tinnevely.
„ M. R. Ry. A. Ramachandra Rao.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Gobt. of (1882) Madras
PENSION.

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G.O., 8th November 1882, No. 1057.

NOVEMBER.

Pension.

Granting an invalid — of Rs. 250 per mensem
to A. Ramachandra Rao, late Deputy Collector
and Magistrate of Tinnevely.

Enclosure 12
In a Letter

From

A. Ramachandra Rao
Late Deputy Collector of
Tinnevely

To The Secy General
to the Govt of Madras

Dated 30th September
1882

TESTIMONIALS

OF

A. RAMACHENDRA ROW.

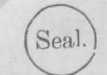
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I may mention too, that he writes and composes in English with facility and ease,—and that while under my care, he was not excelled, in these respects, by any of his class-fellows. In short, I consider him to be a young man of a good moral character, so far as my opportunities have permitted me to judge. I shall always be happy to hear of his success in life; and I have no doubt that he will discharge ably and honestly, whatever duties may be assigned to him by his patrons.

(Signed) ADAM A. GORDON, M. A.,
2nd Master, Madras University.

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			Tahsildar of Ahtoor, Salem District ...	100	0	From 18th December 1855 to 13th May 1857 ...	1	4	26	
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			Do. do. do. of Tanjore do....	350	0	From 22nd February 1865 to 20th May 1867 ...	2	2	29	
			2nd do. do. of Tanjore do....	500	0	From 21st May 1867 to 31st August 1869 ...	2	3	11	
			Do. do. do. of Kurnool, General and Special or Irrigation duties.	500*	0	From 1st September 1869 to 15th February 1875 ...	5	5	15	
			Do. do. do. of Tinnevely, General duties.	500	0	From 16th February 1875 to 14th March 1878... ..	3	...	27	
			Acting 1st Class do. do. do....	600	0	From 15th March 1878 to 15th February 1880 ...	1	11	1	
			2nd Class do. do. do....	500	0	From 16th February 1880 to 8th May 1882. ...	2	2	23	

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Acting Naib Sheristadar - 175-0 - From 8 April 1857 to 31 October 1858 - 1-6-24
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The above was written when Ramachendra Row was a candidate for a place in the Chingleput Cutcherry. He has since been asked by the Collector of Salem to take the Office of Translator in his Cutcherry on 70 Rupees a month, and he is now about to join. It is not necessary for me to add more than to repeat my opinion as to his character and abilities.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Secretary, Board of Revenue.

MADRAS, 7th December 1852.

No. 10.

Letter from the Honorable Daniel Elliott, (Member of Council) to M. R. Ry. Arcot Kistna Row, Moonshee, Mahratta Translator's office, dated 28th November 1852.

I have been requested by Mr. Phillips, Collector of Salem, to ask your son, Ramachendra Row, whether he would like to take a Translatorship in his Cutcherry on 70 Rs. a month. Consider this and talk it over with him and let him come to me after Council on Tuesday.

No. 11.

Oosoor, 4th December 1852.

TO

M. R. Ry.

RAMACHENDER ROW.

A situation of which the salary is 70 Rs a month is now vacant in my office. I shall be glad to appoint you to it, if the Secretary to the Board of Revenue permit you to relinquish the appointment which you are now holding in his Department.

I am
Yours,
(Signed) H. D. PHILLIPS,
Collector of Salem.

No. 12.

MADRAS, 9th November 1853.

To

RAMACHENDRA ROW,

I have pleasure in certifying that during the period of your service under me, as Translator, you discharged the duties devolving on you with diligence and efficiency. You evinced a laudable anxiety to become thoroughly acquainted with the Revenue affairs of the Collectorate as a means to perfecting your translations and were making satisfactory progress when I quitted Salem.

I am, Yours,

(Signed) H. D. PHILLIPS,
Late Collector of Salem.

No. 13.

Extract from a letter from Captain H. M. ELIOTT (Superintendent of Coorg) dated 2nd November 1855.

I received your letter from Oosoor yesterday and was very glad to see from it that you were getting on so well and with such credit to yourself. Your promotion has certainly been fast but I have no doubt well deserved, and I trust that by diligence and intelligence you will maintain the good opinion Mr. Brett appears to have formed of you.

No. 14.

MADRAS.

16th September 1856.

RAMACHENDER ROW.

I have received your letter of the 2nd Instant.

It gives me much pleasure to learn that you have been promoted to the place of Tahsildar.

No. 6.
Extract from a letter from F. S. CHILD Esquire, (Civil
and Session Judge, Tinnevely,) dated Madras, 21st
November 1851.

I take this opportunity to add my testimony to that of others with whom you have already been connected; both to the soundness of your scholarship and to your talents and application and also to your skill in imparting your knowledge to others. However, though it is a great pleasure to me to be able to write this to you, it is but of very small value to you when you have the essays written by you and rewards bestowed on you at the High School, as evidence to your fitness for honorable employment, and that you may soon obtain and enjoy, such is the sincere wish of your very good friend, F. S. Child.

No. 7.

Extract from a letter from Major John Crisp, Mahratta Translator to Government, to J. H. Cochrane Esquire Collector of Chingleput, dated 30th January 1852.

A promising native youth and protege of mine is aspiring to get appointed to the vacant Head Translatorship in the Chingleput Huzur Cutcherry, which is in your gift and nomination.

The lad has been educated at the High School of the Madras University and passed out with high credit and Proficiency especially in English and Mahratta. He occupies at present the Translatorship of the Mahratta Department Cutcherry in the Revenue Board on a salary of Rs. 54 per mensem.

The youth is very talented, the son of my Mahratta Moon-shee of the Mahratta Translator's Department. Knowing his qualifications, I have no hesitation * * * in recommending him to you, as fit to fill creditably the appointment and every

way worthy of your patronage. I should be much gratified by your selection of him; and I venture to say that he could not fail giving you complete satisfaction.

I have omitted to mention that the youth's name is A. Ramachender Row and that his own application for the vacant post is now before you amongst the other candidates.

No. 8.

I had some opportunities of seeing translations made by A. Ramachender Row, when I was Acting Mahratta Translator to Government, during the illness of his father, who is Head Moonshee in the Translator's Office, and I consider him a very good translator, he having a particularly good knowledge of English and Mahratta being his own language.

(Signed) J. J. LOSH,
(Military Auditor General,
Fort St. George, }
4th March 1852. }
Fort St. George.)

No. 9.

Arcot Ramachendra Row came to this office from the Madras High School. He was first appointed Goomastah in the Mahratta Cutcherry on the 10th July 1849, and was besides frequently employed in translating from and into Mahratta and English. On the 26th September 1850, he was promoted to the office of Translator in the Mahratta Cutcherry on 54 Rupees a month. He has a very complete knowledge of English and his translations have always been serviceable and correct. The Board Sheristadar gives him a good character, and I can speak to his general ability and activity in the performance of his duties.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.
3rd March 1852.

No. 3.

I hereby certify that A. Ramachendra Row was under my care, as a pupil of the High School, from 15th April 1841 to 16th April 1849; and that, during the whole of the above period, he displayed very considerable diligence in prosecuting his studies, and otherwise conducted himself to my satisfaction. His industry during the last scholastic year was peculiarly great, and deserves the highest commendation. * * * * He composes in English with readiness and a very considerable degree of idiomatic correctness: his hand-writing too is decidedly good.

I consider Ramachendra Row to be a well-principled youth, possessing gentlemanlike feelings; and I shall ever feel great interest in his progress in life.

MADRAS High School, } (Signed) E. B. POWELL,
19th April 1849. } Head Master.

No. 4.

Extract from a Report from Sir Walter Elliot (Member of Council) on the result of the examination of the Madras High School students in the Mahratta language.

Ramachender Row has given up an additional paper being a translation or exposition of that part of Murray's History of India relating to the fall of Tippoo which reflects much credit on his industry and exhibits a very creditable and accurate acquaintance with the language. It comprises 112 foolscap pages, is clear and intelligible throughout, somewhat more diffuse and ample in the earlier than the latter parts and is generally free from errors of construction. With some revision and corrections, it would afford a good Vernacular account of that portion of the History of India and might be worth publication*. This composition reached me at too late a date for more than a cursory examination, but as I looked at portions here and there throughout, I think I was able to form a tolerably fair impression of the whole.

* This was since published and circulated both in Madras and Bombay Presidencies.

No. 5.

The Bearer of this, A. Ramachendra Row, has been known to me for a period of four months, during which time he has been daily attending on me in the capacity of a Mahratta Pundit, instructing and preparing me for an examination in that language; and it now gives me great pleasure in bearing testimony through the medium of this, to his excellent qualifications and superior attainments as a Mahratta Scholar; and I consider him a first-rate teacher, possessing a thorough knowledge of the idiom of the language, as well as of the original from whence it sprang, viz., the Sanskrit. His Translation of the "Downfall of Tippoo Sultan" is a proof of his knowledge of the Mahratta language. His attainments in the English language, from what I have seen of him, are far beyond those generally acquired by the Natives of India, and I look upon it as a fact that there are very few at Madras, who can come up to him in the knowledge of the idiomatical part of that dialect; and the literature of the country appears to me to have been acquired by him by dint of much reading and hard study. He possesses a command of language in conversation and in writing, which is quite astonishing, and he composes in a manner not often to be met with even among youths of greater age in England. His testimonials from his late Masters, will, I think, back me out in what I have now written, and I need say no more than that from them, as well as from mine own knowledge of him, I consider him well qualified to hold a high situation in public employment, not only from his attainments as a linguist and a scholar, but from his many very polished and amiable qualities, which are proofs of an enlightened mind and the effects of a superior education.

(Signed) ALBERT HERVEY, CAPTAIN,

40th Regiment N. I., Madras Army.

MADRAS, 1st September 1851.

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(Signed) ADAM A. GORDON, M. A.,

2nd Master, Madras University.

I should have been glad to see you had I gone to Sher-varoy Hills, but I have been obliged to defer my intention of going, owing to Sir H. Montgomery's illness. I meant to have gone by Tripatore and Mallapuram.

I have seen your father several times lately. It will give me much pleasure to promote his wishes of getting pension but I fear the rules are inexorable and will not allow him to receive the full amount of his salary, but if anything can be done he shall have my best support. The Madras Government have no power to depart from the rules themselves. It can only be done by an application to the Supreme Government.

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I am always your friend,

(Signed) W. ELLIOT.
(Member of Council.)

For

M. R. Ry.

A. RAMACHENDER ROW,

Tahsildar of Ahtoor.

No. 15.

Extract from a letter from H. A. Brett Esquire, Magistrate of Salem District, to Ramachender Row, dated Oosoor, October 17th, 1856.

I was glad to hear of your success in apprehending the gang robber. There will, I hope, be no delay in sending him out of the District. I have not been informed how the capture was managed or who are to receive the reward. Be very vigilant in guarding the man as long as he remains in your custody.

No. 16.

No. 35. SALEM JOINT MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE, 25th May 1857.

From

J. W. B. DYKES, ESQUIRE,

Acting Joint Magistrate of Salem.

To

H. A. BRETT, ESQUIRE,

Magistrate of Salem.

SIR,

With reference to the letters received from your office Dated 11th Oct. 1856, No. 319. and noted marginally, I have
" 18th Nov. 1856, No. 3-5. the honor to report that I have
" 23rd Jany. 1857, No. 20. this day concluded my enquiries, as to who are the parties best entitled to receive the reward forwarded by the Political Agent of Poodocotah for the capture of one Moothoocaropa Ambalakaren, known in this district by the name of Appavoo.

2. In addition to the account of capture which was given verbally in your presence by Ramachendra Row, Acting Naib Sheristadar and then Head of Police in the Taluq of Ahtoor, where the prisoner was arrested, I have had a statement taken down in writing from Coottyghan the informer, Babookhan the Duffadar, and Shaik Imam, a peon, who it would also appear from the Urzi, No. 117, from the Sub Police Officer of Ahtoor, dated 18th May 1857, were the parties who had the chief hand in arresting the prisoners

3. The prisoners, with great audacity, had entered the town of Ahtoor, when he was fortunately seen by Coottyghan. Coottyghan told the Duffadar, who, acting under the Tahsildar's order, with considerable skill inveigled the prisoner into the Tahsildar's own house and there arrested him with the aid of the peon Shaik Imam, the informer Coottyghan and others.

4. This notorious prisoner was arrested on the information given by Coottyghan, who further helped the peons

to arrest him, and I have, therefore, given Coottyghan fifty Rupees, half the sum awarded. To the Duffadar Babookhan, who played the most important part in the actual capture, I have given (30) thirty Rupees and to Shaik Imam the remaining (20) twenty.

5. I have now only to bring to your notice officially, the prompt and decisive measures adopted by Ramachendra Row in the arrest of a man, who, it would appear, was no ordinary criminal. Those measures were successful, and much of the credit must therefore, justly be ascribed to the late Head of Police, who will, I trust, be well pleased to hear that the men, who carried out his orders, and the man who gave the information, have at last received reward. His own conduct was most meritorious.

(True copy.)

(Signed) H. A. BRETT,
Magistrate.

No. 17.

Translation of a Takid from H. A. Brett Esquire, Magistrate of Salem District, to Arcot Ramachundra Rao, Acting Naib Sheristadar; dated Salem, 3rd May 1858, No. 1,

I send you herewith, for your keeping, copy of a letter No. 35, dated 25th May 1857 addressed to me by the Acting Joint Magistrate. It will be observed that he has therein recorded his high opinion of the great difficulties encountered by you while you were Head of Police of Ahtoor Taluq, in the capture of the notorious gang robber Muttu Karuppa Ambalakaran, who had assumed the name of Appavoo, and evaded pursuit after committing several gang robberies with torch lights, within the limits of the Pudukotah State.

As observed by the Joint Magistrate, your efforts in the capture of the said notorious offender, are commendable.

No. 18.

Extract from a letter from E. B. Powell Esquire, C. S. I.
(Director of Public Instruction) dated January 14th, 1858.

Many thanks for your letter, which I was very glad to receive. I congratulate you on your appointment to the Naib's post, and I sincerely hope you will soon be able to write Head where you now place Deputy. By all means keep up your studies, and aim at the B. A. Degree: your brother-Proficients are many of them taking this course.

No. 19.

Extract from the Service Register kept in the Salem Collector's Office.

ARCOT RAMACHENDRA ROW, Naib Sheristadar, Pay
175 Rupees.

This public servant has received a very good education, and has besides very good natural talents. He owes his rapid promotion to these qualifications. I consider him a valuable officer in the public service.

I hope that in due course he will attain the highest office open to the Uncovenanted Service.

(Signed) H. A. BRETT,
Collector.

1st November 1858.

No. 20.

Extract from a letter from Sir Walter Elliot, dated January 1st, 1859.

I have just come and read your note. I have much pleasure in sending you the Manuscript Volume containing the paper on the Brinjaries and have marked the places with pieces of paper.

I shall be very much obliged to you if you will revise the first part filling up omissions and adding the names of all places, persons, or technical terms in the Nagari character in the margin, which will enable me to understand any words, the spelling of which in English I may not recognize.

By doing so you will oblige me very much as well as by sending the conclusion.

No. 21.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
26th March 1859.

No. 39.

From

J. D. BOURDILLON, ESQUIRE,
Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.

To

M. R. Ry.

A. RAMACHENDRA ROW,
Naib Sheristadar of Salem.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint you Deputy Collector and Magistrate of the Fourth Class and to post you for Trichinopoly.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

No. 22.

Extract from a letter from F. C. CARR Esquire, Acting Head Assistant Collector of Salem, dated 9th May 1859, No. 57.

Para. 8. Ramachendra Row, the Naib Sheristadar, gave me every assistance during the Jummabundy, and as it was the first occasion of my conducting an annual settlement, I had the more need of his advice and co-operation. Immediately after the close of the Jummabundy, he proceeded according to orders, to take up his new appointment in Trichinopoly.

No. 23.

Extract from a letter from J. BIRD Esquire, to J. D. SIM Esquire, dated 31st May 1859.

I consider myself very fortunate in having the services of A. Ramachendra Row as one of the Deputy Collectors of this District. He joined me a short time back, and I placed him immediately in charge of his duties. I like A. Ramachendra Row much, he is evidently a young man of ability and has a good knowledge of his duties.

No. 24.

No. 119. Trichinopoly Collector's Office, 14th June 1859.

From

J. BIRD ESQUIRE,
Collector of Trichinopoly.

To

J. D. SIM ESQUIRE,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

Arcot Ramachundra Rao, Deputy Collector of this District, has intimated to me his having received a demi-official com-

munication from Mr. G. N. Taylor, the Inam Commissioner, stating his intention to select Ramachendra Rao, as a subordinate Agent under the authority delegated by the last para of His Excellency the Governor's Minute on Inams of date the 13th of May 1859.

2. I trust I shall not be deemed out of place or intrusive, if I solicit your Board's interference in view to prevent this removal of the Deputy Collector from my Office. He has only recently joined, and from arrangements made by me he has at once entered upon his duties, and is rendering me essential assistance.

3. I have only one Covenanted Assistant present, Mr. A. R. Hutchins, who joined the District in the beginning of October last year, and is not therefore an officer of much experience. To be deprived of the Deputy Collector under such contingency, and after every arrangement has been made for his employment, would be, I submit, hardly fair to me, or to the Public Service.

I have the honor to be &c,
(Signed) J. BIRD,
Collector.

No. 25.

My dear Mr. BIRD,

Fort, 18th June 1859.

I wrote to A. Ramachendra Rao some days ago, to prepare him for the appointment which appeared in yesterday's Gazette. I hope you will allow him to join me at Madras as quickly as possible. I fear I am putting one or two Collectors to some temporary inconvenience by my selection, but the better it were the sooner will my work be completed and the Collectors relieved of an unpleasant duty.

Yours very truly,
(Signed.) G. N. TAYLOR.

No. 26.

Extract from a letter from General Wahab, dated Trichinopoly, —June 1859.

I am very happy to hear you have obtained a higher appointment and hope it is only the precursor of future advancement in the service.

No. 27.

Extract from a letter from J. BIRD ESQUIRE, Collector of Trichinopoly, dated Trichinopoly, 21st July 1859.

I hope you will get on under Mr. Taylor and obtain a good name, you have my best wishes.

No. 28.

Extract from a letter from the Honorable D. ELIOTT, dated Harrow Weald, Middlesex, 8th August 1859.

Your letter of the 17th June received by a late Mail, gave me much pain by the intelligence it conveyed of the death of my old friend your father, associated with me during so many years commencing with my earliest days in India, and from whom I derived much valuable assistance in many ways. I wish he had lived to know of your appointment as a Deputy Collector, which would have been a great gratification to him, the greatest I dare say, that he would have derived from any event in this life as the very consummation of his highest hopes and desires for you. I assure you that it has been a very great gratification to me and I congratulate you most heartily and without any reserve upon this honorable appointment, which I regard as the most undeniable testimonial to your character and desert. Just remember that raised up thus rapidly to high position and very responsible duties, you will be an object of envy, and envy begets malice and detraction. It behoves you therefore to walk very warily and to take heed lest you stumble and fall and not only to take care that your conduct is really upright, but to avoid any thing that can give

rise even to the *suspicion* of evil. I am glad that you stand so well in the estimation of Mr. Bird, and at the same time that your character has gained you the honor, as it may be justly esteemed, of being selected by Mr. Taylor as one of the Deputy Collectors applied for to assist him in his arduous work. I suppose the latter is the employment most likely to afford you opportunity of distinction.

No. 29.

Extract from a letter from H. M. Elliott Esquire, (Superintendent of Coorg,) dated Mercara, 20th November 1859.

I received your registered letter of the 8th Instant yesterday, and being much pleased with the spirit in which it is written, I sit down to answer it, while I have a little leisure. I am sorry we are not personally acquainted, for then correspondence would be easier but as the son of my father's friend, I will try to keep up the correspondence you have opened.

Your promotion has given me great pleasure and it is no doubt the just reward of your merits, I cannot, however, help repeating the cautions of my father. Temptations to fall must abound in your present appointment, so beware that you give not the slightest occasion to enemies, whom you must make in the upright discharge of your duties. Try to gain the confidence of Mr. Taylor and take care you do not lose it by a rash or false act. Be scrupulously truthful. I am anxious for your welfare and therefore intrude my good advice upon you.

While I was acting as Superintendent of the Naggur Division in Mysore on the occasion of the Office of Head Sheristadar becoming vacant I took the opportunity of bringing your name to the notice of General Cubbon, the Commissioner, but as I was not personally acquainted with you, of course I could not speak as highly or as strongly as to warrant the Commissioner offering you the appointment and

I never mentioned the subject to you for fear of raising false hopes never to be realised. I am now permanent in this appointment of Superintendent of Coorg, I like it very much indeed. The Coorgs are a fine noble race of men, the country is full of the most beautiful and ever varying scenery and the work is not so heavy as it is in the Mysore country. I shall do as you request and forward your letter to my brother at Chittore, and hope he will be stirred by it to send you a line but he is, like me, not fond of his pen.

Let me hear from you occasionally and wishing you every success to your uprightness and honesty.

No. 30.

Madras, June 1st, 1860.

MY DEAR SIR,

I have had the pleasure of receiving your kind letter and am much obliged to you for the expression of kindness towards me. I regret the exigency of the Service did not permit us to be better known to one another. But I am sure you will ever prosper, if you continue as you have begun. I sail for England in a few days and have therefore no time to write at any length. With every good wish for your success in life.

Believe me, yours faithfully,
(Signed) J. BIRD.

No. 31.

Extract from a letter from G. N. TAYLOR Esquire, Inam Commissioner, dated Steamer "Simla," 2nd May 1862.

I must now send you a line to say that I am very glad to hear that you have entered upon your new sphere of duty in so hopeful a spirit, and I have no doubt you will work under your present official superior as satisfactorily as you did under me. I was particularly pleased with the tact you displayed in avoiding all clashing with the Revenue autho-

rities in the Madras District, and can make every allowance for the peculiar circumstances which lately interfered with your progress.

No. 32.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF MADRAS
POLICE, Kotigheri, 22nd August 1863.

SIR,
Accept my thanks for the admirable Police Maps which you have prepared of your Taluqs.

2. They are so suggestive that I propose lithographing and circulating, for general imitation, these models.
3. The rolls of suspected characters are likewise very suggestive and I am sending the copies to different Districts.

I have the honor, &c.,

(Signed) W. ROBINSON,
Inspector General of Mofussel Police.

No. 33.

Munnargudi, December 22nd, 1864.

MY DEAR SIR,

As I leave to-morrow for Madras, I shall not be able to call upon you again, I write now less for the purpose of saying "good bye" to you, than of expressing to you my sorrow on account of your removal from this station. With your removal, some of my hopes of good for the people of Munnargudi, go also, I wish even for your own sake, that you could have stayed longer in this District, for you would then have been able to vindicate your administration before all. However, I think you will not leave these parts without considerable satisfaction. Your administration has no doubt, made you many and powerful enemies, but it has certainly gathered to you the confidence and the gratitude of the poor, the powerless and the oppressed of the people.

The rascality of the town will rejoice at your removal, but in doing so, it unconsciously pays the highest tribute to yourself and work.

Wishing you health and all success in your future course.

I am,

My dear Sir,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. R. C. COCKILL.

No. 34.

Extract from a letter from W. S. BETTS Esquire, Agent and Manager, South Indian Railway, dated Negapatam, 22nd February 1865.

I am very busy, preparing my annual Report and accounts and have time to write a few lines only to express my regret upon your removal from this District. I had hoped that as some time had elapsed since you were gazetted to Namcal, the appointment had been cancelled. However we must obey the "powers that be" and hope for the best. You have my good wishes for your success and speedy promotion and if, at any time, I can be of assistance to you, I shall be ready and willing to take action.

No. 35.

Extract from a letter from W. M. CADELL Esquire,
(Collector of Tanjore,) dated Mangalore, 5th May 1865.

I hope you find your position happy and comfortable, and that you will continue to maintain an unimpeachable character for integrity and honesty as well as for ability.

No. 36.

Extract from a letter from GEO: BANBURY Esquire, Magistrate of Tanjore District, dated Vellum, 21st June 1866.

Many thanks for your note of the 18th regarding the kidnapping case, I do not see how you could possibly act more properly than you did; every thing seems as it should be, although I doubt a conviction eventually, as the accused parties will urge previous guardianship or some other plea specious though false.

No. 37.

Extract from a letter from G. LEE MORRIS, Esquire,
Collector of Tanjore, dated Chetubava, 8th April 1867.

I am glad to find that the Tanjore remissions do not exceed Rupees 1,321-10-7, and that your supervision in this respect has been attended with a corresponding gain to Government.

No. 38.

Negapatam 11th May 1867.

MY DEAR SIR,

You scarcely needed to remind me of all your helpful interest in the Police organization and subsequent administration. I have much to thank you for, in every respect and if referred to, shall be glad to record it.

* * *
Thanking you for your uniform courtesy and aid.
Believe me,

Yours truly,
(Signed) W. ROBINSON,
(Member of Council.)

No. 39.

Extract from a letter from Captain A. T. ROLLAND, Superintendent of Police, dated Tanjore, 15th December 1867.

You have indeed, since you came to Tanjore, aided the Town Police here most effectually, your severe but just sentences have had a most beneficial effect and has instilled

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dread into the hearts of the very few evil-doers now remaining. The breaking up of Torgole Moothoosawmy's Gang was very fine—your sentences on each member of that gang were richly deserved by them; they have been the pests of society here for a long time. Dadicara Appavoo's was also another case; but for your assistance and aid, we could not have got rid of such a cunning old scoundrel. I shall never forget the aid you gave me personally in the (Siddamally) Railway-key case, more than two years ago; your presence at the time and on the scene—notwithstanding all your other duties—was of the greatest service to the Police, and I doubt, if you had not been there, if we could even have got to the truth of the case.

The inquiry into and committal to Sessions Court, of the great Vadapadi Mungalum Moodaliar's Will Forgery Case is known throughout the District; the difficulties of every kind you had to contend with in this case, and the fearless way you went through with it, won for you golden opinions throughout Tanjore. The case and its result is too well known for me to say much about. I wish you every success and will always be glad to hear of your welfare and advancement. Thanking you again for the aid you have always been to the Police under me, I remain, &c.

No. 40.

Extract from a letter from W. M. CADELL ESQUIRE, to—
dated—March 1868.

I think he (Ramachendra Row) has done, on the whole, excellent work, and especially when placed in the trying position he has been in. I am glad to see Captain Rolland entertaining so high a view of his services as a Magistrate.

No. 41.

Extract from a letter from W. M. CADELL ESQUIRE, late
Collector of Tanjore, dated Cuddalore, 16th March 1868.

I am glad to see the good opinion Mr. Rolland entertains of your services, and I am sure you will endeavour to keep up your reputation.

No. 42.

Extract from a letter from CAPTAIN A. T. ROLLAND, Superintendent of Police, dated Tanjore, 2nd September 1868.

I now return you your notes on the Triviar Kaliana Mahal case, in which 23 prisoners were convicted. I need scarcely say how useful they have been to me; your presence on the spot was of the greatest assistance to us and I am certain the Sub-Magistrate was also glad to have you close by, to advise. I have myself to thank for advice and assistance given. Your actual presence at the preliminary enquiry was of great use, as there were two able Vakeels on the defence, whose sharp and wary cross-examination required as good, if not a better re-examination, and for this, I have to thank you for your hints and advice given on the spot. The notes taken in your own hand-writing, and which I now return, were of great use to me on the trial at the Sessions Court; their preparation as the preliminary enquiry went on, must have cost you a very great deal of trouble. It is a great pity that you were unable, from the fact of your being in charge of the Treasury when the dacoity occurred, to take up the case yourself from the very beginning; as at the first, several grave errors were made and not perceived until you came; the error being in regard to prisoners and witnesses; the immediate identification of the prisoners soon after arrest was also pointed out by the Court of Session, which could have been avoided had you been there and taken up the case originally.

No. 43.

Extract from a letter from Rev. R. D. JOHNSTON, dated Nundial, 14th March 1870.

I am sorry I have to leave this place so soon after making your acquaintance. You have not been here quite 6 months, and yet during that brief period I have seen and heard enough to have led me to anticipate considerable benefit to the people through your connection with the District, as Revenue and Magisterial Officer. Your intelligence, intimate acquaintance with Revenue and Judicial matters and anxious desire to do your duty, have created a favorable impression among all classes of the people, and I sincerely hope your stay here will not be a brief one, but that you will have time allowed you for the display of your talents and for securing the good will and esteem of the people.

No. 44.

Extract from a letter from the Collector of Kurnool, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 22nd April 1870, No. 125 (G. O., dated 27th Idem, No. 173.)

Para. 7. The Deputy Collector Ramachendra Row, who was present the whole time, framed rules which he had published through the encampment regarding order and sanitary arrangements, and it is owing to the care he took that the festival went off in so orderly a manner.

No. 45.

Extract from a letter from E. D. MATHEWS Esquire, Executive Engineer, M. I. & C Co. dated Ayaloor, 7th June 1870, No. 271.

In conclusion, allow me to thank you for the very great zeal and interest that you have shewn in all matters connected with the progress of the Canal, and to assure you that I shall have the greatest pleasure in bringing your valuable services as prominently before the authorities as I can.

No. 46.

Extract from a letter from E. D. MATHEWS Esquire, Executive Engineer, M. I. & C. Co. dated Ayaloor, 8th August 1870, No. 428.

I embrace the opportunity of returning you my sincere thanks for the uniform courtesy and attention with which you have met all the requirements of this Division, and in reference to the special efforts which you have made in furtherance of the irrigation schemes, lately projected here, I beg to send you an extract from a report which I had the honor to send to the Chief Engineer a few days ago, when applying for sanction for the work designed to irrigate the first scheme in this Division, being 12,000 acres lying North of Nundial. I have asked the Chief Engineer to bring the Memorandum to the notice of Government with special reference to the extract which I now forward you, and I venture to hope that your persevering efforts in favor of the progress of the District may meet with the reward they so richly deserve.

Enclosure.—This report cannot be considered complete unless the assistance be acknowledged which the Deputy Collector of the District at Nundial, A. Ramachendra Row, Esquire, has rendered.

This gentleman has throughout shown himself to be fully alive to the importance of irrigation to the District, and has rendered great assistance not only by affording his protection to the surveyors while engaged in field operations, but also by his own efforts convincing the ryots of the benefits that must accrue to them from the scheme.

To his kindness, this report is indebted for the statistics included therein; and his courtesy, thorough knowledge of business and habits of promptitude which cannot be mentioned too favorably, are a guarantee that no unavoidable delay will take place in making over the land and in bringing the whole scheme to a successful issue.

No. 47.

Extract from a letter from F. H. HENSLOWE, Esquire, Agent and Manager, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 15th August 1870.

I learn with very great satisfaction and thankfulness from my friends Mr. Mathews and Mr. Haskoll, how much valuable and cordial assistance you have given them in the arduous labour in which they have recently been engaged for the benefit of the people of your District. I beg to offer you my most sincere thanks not only for that assistance but also for the practical statistical information you have been able to afford us, which to myself is most useful and which I prize very highly.

I consider the District fortunate in possessing so energetic and enlightened an officer in the administration of its affairs, and I most sincerely hope that its inhabitants may long continue to enjoy the benefits of your presence among them.

No. 48.

Extract from a letter from E. D. MATHEWS Esquire, Executive Engineer, M. I. and C. Co., dated Ayaloor, 19th August 1879.

I have great pleasure in forwarding you the enclosed note from Mr. Henslowe, our Agent and Manager in Madras. He has acquainted me with the contents and I hope you will find them to be some recompense for the trouble and time which you have devoted to the Company's interests.

No. 49.

Extract from a letter from E. D. MATHEWS Esquire, Executive Engineer M. I. and C. Co., dated Kurnool, 22nd October 1870.

Your's of the 18th I received yesterday and saw your name was gazetted as you expected and so I suppose you are now with your family, your temporary release from official cares. I know you required the leave after all your hard work, and I hope you will thoroughly enjoy it.

A copy of my report on Distribution went up intact to Government with a simple endorsement of the Chief Engineer and in a late letter to the Board of Directors at home, Mr. Latham made official mention of your efforts in the cause.

Hoping you are quite well and enjoying your leave.

No. 50.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, dated 23rd May 1871, No. 912.

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, to the Secretary to Government, P. W. D., dated Madras, 6th May 1871, No. 19.

At the request of the Agent, Madras Irrigation Canal Company, I have the honour to forward, for submission to Government, an extract from the report of the Company's Chief Engineer, for the half-year ended 31st March, in which that officer places on record his high estimation of the services of the Deputy Collector of Nundial.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Extract from the Chief Engineer's report for the half-year ended 31st March 1871, dated Kurnool, 1st April 1871.

It is right that the Board should know how much I think them indebted to the plain impartial conduct of A. Ramachendra Row, Deputy Collector of Nundial. He is the only officer of the Revenue Department from whom I have been able to obtain any information as to the probable demand for water next season; and I have thorough confidence in his

having explained the true prospects of Irrigation to the Ryots within his range without any party-feeling. I hope that if carefully worked, the Company's Canal will not disappoint the representations of such men, who desire to see their District prosperous.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd May 1871, No. 912.

The Governor in Council is pleased to receive this testimony regarding Ramachendra Row, the Deputy Collector of Nundial.

2. He regrets, however, it should have been made a vehicle for depreciating the rest of the Revenue Officers of the District.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

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No. 51.

Extract from a letter from A. Browning Esquire, Executive Engineer M. I. and C. Co., dated Ayaloor, 4th June 1871. I have read your letter and the G. O. enclosed, with great pleasure, I am sure you well deserve the credit you get.

No. 52.

Extract from a letter from J. H. LATHAM Esquire, Chief Engineer, M. I. and C. Co., dated Kurnool, 9th June 1871.

I was glad to see by your letter of the 6th Instant that the simple facts I had recorded in reference to your conduct, have received the favorable attention of Government and I hope you may obtain benefit from it.

I regret, however, to see that they had been made a vehicle for depreciating other officers. Nothing was farther from my thoughts than that this was likely; not only because I value the Revenue Officers with whom I have been brought

in contact; but because I know you would not be gratified by such a use of my remarks.

No. 53.

Extract from a letter from F. H. HENSLOWE, Esquire, Agent and Manager, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 14th June 1871.

Wherever your duties may call you, I sincerely hope the Government will not overlook your merits, but will have the wisdom to avail themselves of your talents for the good and improvement of the country. For myself, I shall always entertain a grateful recollection of the disinterested and enlightened views which have governed your labors in so far as they have associated you with this Company.

No. 54.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT, REVENUE DEPARTMENT, 18th SEPTEMBER 1871, No. 228.

Read the following despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India (Revenue) to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated India Office, London, 10th August 1871, No. 2 :-

I have considered in Council the despatch from your Excellency in Council, numbered 2 and dated the 13th of March, transmitting the report of Mr. W. T. Blair, on the operations of the late Inam Commission (60 copies of which had been sent some months before) with other documents, bringing the results down to the last report by Mr. Robinson, together with the orders of your Government thereon.

2. This is a most valuable report on a subject of the highest importance to the welfare of your Presidency, and I have perused it with much interest.

8. The despatch of the late Court of Directors dated September 1st, 1858, No. 8, under which the settlement of this question was originally undertaken, enjoyed a more liberal treatment of the Inamdars than had before been deemed expedient, either in India or by the Home authorities. It pointed out that the long delay in settling this much vexed and irritating question, for which the Government was responsible, and not the holders of the Inams, rendered such a mode of treatment of those claims necessary and removed them from the rigid rule of actual right. The interpretation of the instructions of the Court, in a still wider sense, by Sir Charles Trevelyan, and the rules framed by him, on which these operations were founded, received the general sanction of Secretary, Sir Charles Wood, in 1860. The result is now before me. A question which affected the interests of an influential class of the community has been settled to the contentment of the Inamdars, to the security of the revenue of the Government and to the relief of the revenue administration of the country, which is thus rid of perpetually recurring, difficult, and invidious cases of legal rights, the decision of which is now transferred to the judicial tribunals.

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7. Her Majesty's Government regard the conduct of these operations and the success with which they have been attended with unmixed satisfaction, and they heartily adopt the strong, but merited, expressions of praise in which your Excellency in Council, in your careful review of Mr. Blair's report, have spoken of it, as well as the officers to whom this difficult task has been successively confided. To Mr. George Noble Taylor, who was the first to undertake it on whom consequently devolved the first arrangements, and through whose tact and judgment the Inamdars were brought to understand the advantages they were to receive; to Mr. Blair, who succeeded him, and whose elaborate but clear report is before me; and to Mr. Robinson, by whom, in addition to his onerous duties as a Member of the Board of Revenue, the winding up of the operations has been performed with

remarkable celerity, belongs the credit of bringing these laborious and delicate proceedings to a successful issue.

8. It has likewise gratified Her Majesty's Government very much to read the terms in which Mr. Blair speaks of the valuable assistance given by the Special Assistants, and most of the Deputy Collectors in the conduct of the operations.

No. 229.

ORDER THEREON, 18th September 1871.
No. 1662.

Land Revenue.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue and to the Acting Third Member in charge of the Inam Department.

2. Copies will also be furnished to Messrs. G. N. Taylor and W. T. Blair, who are now in England.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDDLESTON.

Secretary to Government.

Communicated for the information of the officers noted in the margin with a request that each will send it on to the other after perusal.

* * *
A. Ramachendra Row, Deputy Collector.

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
INAM DEPARTMENT,
Madras, 18th November 1871.

(Sd.) D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Inam Commissioner.

No. 55.

Extract from a letter from C. A. BADHAM, Esquire, dated Ayaloor, 4th November 1871.

You may rely upon Mr. Henslowe's esteem and cordial appreciation of the disinterested part you have acted, and that he will miss no opportunity of testifying his good will.

No. 56.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from T. A. N. CHASE ESQUIRE, Collector of Kurnool, dated 13th January 1872.

Mr. Boileau wants to be relieved of his work, and Major Beddome asked me to give the charge to one of my Assistants and I have sent his letter to the Board, asking if you may be put in charge as a temporary measure.

No. 57.

Extract from a letter from J. H. LATHAM, Esquire, Chief Engineer, to T. A. N. CHASE Esquire, Collector of Kurnool, dated Kurnool, 5th February 1873.

Para. 5.—In my letter under remark I have used the Deputy Collector's name (A. Ramachendra Row,) where I considered him the Head of the Department of Revenue Officers specially appointed to superintend the Canal Irrigation. I will add that my personal impression of his conduct, so far as I have been brought into public or private relations to him, is that it has been able and considerate, and has indicated a wish both to remove all undue obstructions, and facilitate all operations so soon as they have been brought before him by the Engineers.

No. 58.

Extract from a letter from T. A. N. CHASE, Esquire, Collector of Kurnool, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Kurnool, 22nd February 1873.

As I am about to leave this District, I feel it my duty to bring to the notice of Government the high opinion I entertain regarding the Deputy Collectors employed under me.

Para. 1.—Arcot Ramachendra Row, Deputy Collector on General duties, has the two important Taluqs of Nundial and

Sirwell, through both of which the Madras Irrigation Canal runs. Both as Deputy Collector and Magistrate he has conducted his duties very satisfactorily, and is a very active and energetic man. He has also had charge of the onerous duty of giving over land to the Madras Irrigation Company, and has earned the esteem of the officers of the Company.

No. 59.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, dated 4th March 1873, No. 7.

The Governor in Council is glad to receive this testimony to the good character and general efficiency of the three Deputy Collectors * employed in the Kurnool District.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

No. 60.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from JAMES HOPE, Esquire, Collector of Kurnool, dated 23rd August 1873.

I returned from circuit yesterday, and shall be glad to see you in Kurnool in a few days, when we will have a consultation on the subject of the Canal rules. If you can be here by Wednesday, you will oblige me.

No. 61.

Extract from a letter from J. H. LATHAM, Esquire, dated 7th February 1874.

I feel sure your services are appreciated by him (Col. Mullins) and others with whom I have spoken.

A. Ramachendra Row.
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No. 62.

Extract from Settlement Report, Kurnool District, for Fusly 1283, contained in Board's Proceedings, No. 669, dated 25th March 1874.

Para 49. The conduct of Public Servants.—My experience of the Deputy Collectors* attached to this District fully bears out the high estimation in which they have been held by my predecessors.

No. 63.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, P. W. D., dated 18th September 1874, No. 2663.

Chief Engineer's Report for July 1874.

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Para. 5.—The Deputy Collector of Kurnool has, no less, been working in the Company's cause. He has personally visited the villages north of Nundial, chiefly in the 6th Section, which were so obstinately backwards last year. The immediate effect has been to induce all to try some irrigation more or less, and the ultimate effect must be a rapid spread of irrigation in these villages. He, as well as the Company's Engineers, regret the delay in sanctioning the new rules, and report much irrigation lost by the delay and dry crop sown where otherwise wet crop would have been put in; that is unavoidable

ORDER THEREON.

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2. His Excellency in Council notices with approbation the interest shown by the Deputy Collector Ramachendra Row in the extension of irrigation.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) JOHN MULLINS,
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL, R. E.,
Joint-Secretary to Government.

Extract from a letter from W. A. GOODCHAP Esquire, dated
11th January 1875.

No. 64.

I have much pleasure in forwarding, for your information, a copy of G. O. No. 2663, dated 18th September 1874, and to thank you for the interest and assistance you gave me on my inspection of the Ayaloor, Narayanapuram, Thanalacheruvu and Thanalapuram tanks, situated above the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company's Canal in the Nundial Taluq.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Madras Government,
P. W. D., No. 2663, dated 18th September 1874.

LOWER SECTIONS.

Monthly Report for July 1874.

I have again to regret that the progress of the works of repair in the Main Canal and Distribution channels has been much retarded by the heavy rainfalls of the month, more especially in the Nundial Taluq, where they caused a succession of floods not equalled since the commencement of the canal works.

2. On the 16th instant the fall of rain must have been very heavy on the hills to the east of the Canalee river; for the Government tanks belonging to the villages of Naranapuram, Thanalacheruvu, and Thanalapuram were breached, and their contents rushing down the valley spread over the country until stopped by the canal banks near Jutoor where a tank was formed ‡ until rising above the top of the canal banks it breached them through five gaps, in all 202 feet long, and flowed into the canal.

3. At the same time the nullahs which enter the canal opposite calingulahs Nos. 6 and 6 A, were filling that part of the canal until the water rose 9 feet above bed and rushed over their crests 6 feet deep, or to within 9 inches of the crown of the arches, and this although the calingulah crests have been lowered to within 3 feet of bed level and all their sluices were fully open—a severe test of the stability of these works which they stood well.

4. In the meanwhile the river Palar, which is the feeder of the Nundial north tank, had burst its banks and flooded great part of the district, and was headed up at aqueduct No. 20 in the 106th mile until it rose above the parapet wall which is $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet above bed, and flowed into the canal. Part of the Palar river sent a large body of water into the Ayaloor tanks, and the ryots of that village unwilling to lose the crops they had sown in their beds, cut their bunds and allowed the water to rush down over the fields until intercepted by the spoil banks of the canal in the 109th mile; it rose in the vagu passing under the canal by culvert No. 20, until the pressure of the head of water greatly endangered the safety of that structure, and also flooded the whole of the Ayaloor bungalow and its compound. In order to avoid the danger of culvert No. 22

‡ Or upper.
(Initialed) J. H. L.

being blown up, Mr. Dumphy cut the eastern bank § of the canal just below,

and allowed the flood to flow down the canal into the 8th section.

5. The result of so much water entering the canal, at the Jutoor breaches, at the calingulahs and at Ayaloor, was that the water rose 7 feet above bed, and running down to lock No. 1. in the 118th mile was there headed up until it overtopped the upper gates and filled the lock, and that, although all the discharging sluices into the escape channel just above lock No. 1 were fully open, with some difficulty Mr. Dumphy succeeded in opening the valves of lock No. 1, and let the water pass down into the 9th section.

Endorsement of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated
Ootacamund, 20th August 1874, No. 27 :—

Para 2. The attention of the District Engineer, Kurnool, has been called to the state of the tanks of Naranapuram, Thanalacheruvu, and Thanalapuram, which breached and caused some damage to the canal upper bank in the 7th Section. The cutting of the bunds of the Ayaloor tanks by the ryots in order to save crops in their beds has also been brought to the notice of the District Engineer, by whom, in communication with the Revenue Officers, the matter should be inquired into. It will be necessary to ascertain whether the water in these tanks was above full supply level when the bunds were cut; possibly the crops referred to were not in the bed

proper of the tanks, but just beyond their contours. These and all other tanks above the canal should be provided as soon as possible with adequate surplus weirs.

ORDER THEREON, 18th September 1874, No. 2,663.

Para 3. Early attention should be given by the District Engineer to the state of all tanks lying above the canal. It is observed that the Chief Engineer for Irrigation has issued the necessary instructions on this subject.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lieut-Colonel, R. E.,
Joint Secretary to Government.

No. 65.

Extract from a Demi-official letter from JAMES HOPE Esquire, Collector of Kurnool, dated 18th January 1875.

Captain Campbell Walker, the Inspector of Forests, will be in Nandial on the 20th and will stay probably 2 or 3 days. I hope you will arrange to see him, and give him any information in your power.

I am quite overwhelmed with work now and I suppose you must be the same with the Head Assistant's Office and work to look after. However I expect him back in a day or two.

No. 66.

Extract from a letter from J. H. Latham Esquire, Chief Engineer and Manager, M. I. and C. Co., dated Kurnool, 22nd January 1875, No. 4.

I have the honor to say that I am much obliged for your cheering letter. I am sure that the Board of Directors (to whom I have sent a copy of it) appreciate the personal interest you are taking, and with great promise of important results in the utilization of the Canal, and the development of the productive powers of the District.

No. 67.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, dated 20th February 1875, No. 493.

Chief Engineer's Report for December 1874.

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I believe we are indebted to the Deputy Collector for the commencement of Irrigation in many of the villages newly reticulated in Nundial Taluq.

ORDER THEREON, 20th January 1875, No. 493.

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2. The exertions of the Special Deputy Collector † are noticed with satisfaction.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 68.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from W. A. GOODCHAP Esquire, District Engineer of Kurnool, dated 6th May 1875.

I received your Memo. on the Sanitary condition of the Nundial Town yesterday for which accept my thanks.

No. 69.

Extract from a letter from J. HOPE Esquire, Collector of Kurnool, dated Kurnool, 23rd July 1875.

Indeed considering your six years' laborious service in the Kurnool District, I think you have earned a claim to be transferred in accordance with your wishes.

No. 70.

Extract from a letter from A. J. DODSON Esquire, Manager and Acting Chief Engineer, dated Kurnool, 16th August 1875, No. 41.

† A. Ramachendra Row.

In reply to your letter, No. 117, of the 14th instant, on the subject of prospects of the season's irrigation, I have the honour to congratulate you on the success which has attended your efforts and those of the Tahsildar, Sirwell, in inducing the ryots of Nundial and Sirwell Taluqs to take advantage of the Canal water for irrigation purposes. I hope that as you proceed in your inspection tours, you will be equally successful in Nundikotkur Taluq. Can you not put some of your energy into the Tahsildar of Koilkuntla Taluq? Hitherto he has not only abstained from any efforts to increase the irrigation, but if the reports, I hear, are true, he has frequently endeavoured to dissuade the ryots from taking Canal water. I shall be glad if you would enquire somewhat into his instructions on this subject to the Curnams of his Taluq.

No. 71.

Extract from a letter from J. HOPE Esquire., dated Kurnool, 15th December 1875.

I think you have by your good and long service in Kurnool earned a title to have your wish to be transferred to a Southern District favourably entertained. I have always found you zealous in the interests of Government and very energetic, able and painstaking in the performance of your duty.

No. 72.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from W. S. FOSTER Esquire, Acting Collector of Kurnool, dated Cumbum, 3rd March 1876.

I received your first letter last evening and your second letter just now. I am glad you are going to remain in the district. You know more about the District than I do, and you will be able to give Vencatachelam Pillai better advice than I can.

If you can make any other suggestions about the charges, I shall be glad to try and arrange.

No. 73.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from C. H. WILKS Esquire, Executive Engineer, Madras Irrigation and Canal Co., dated Kurnool 12th September 1876.

I am sure I need not ask you to assist us in this trying times, as you have always been anxious to advance irrigation, but if you could infuse a little of your own energy and goodwill into your subordinate officers, you would much benefit the Company.

No. 74.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from H. R. FARMER Esquire., Head Assistant Collector of Kurnool, dated Tripurantakam, 12th January 1877.

I have just received your letter of the 10th and am very glad to hear of your arrival, we want some one to put a little life into things at Cumbum very much.

One great want is carriage. This I pointed out on the 5th of November and asked to be allowed to engage carts then, now the difficulty is to get bullock-owners who have very weak cattle and very scanty fodder to face a long journey of from 100 to 140 miles from this Taluq to Cuddapah. I am doing all I can about carts. Do all you can too.

No. 75.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from H. R. FARMER Esquire., Head Assistant Collector of Kurnool, dated Chapulmadugoo, 16th January 1877.

Yours of the 14th received yesterday evening. I am very glad of your success about carts. Do all you possibly can. Here are not 120 spoke wheeled carts in Markapur Taluq. I am very much obliged to you for all you are doing.

No. 76.
Extract from a Demi-Official letter from H. R. FARMER Esquire, Head Assistant Collector of Kurnool, dated Tatapally, 19th January 1877.

I received yours of the 15th only yesterday; you will already have heard from me that I am on my way to Cumbum, and do not wish you to leave the important work you are engaged on. You will find it very up-hill and discouraging work with the subordinates at Cumbum, and when the Deputy Collector comes, will no doubt be very glad to turn your back on the place.

I am very glad to hear you have got some carts. See what can be done about burial grounds. Have you been able to get any grain off to Markapur for Dornál? Please let me know as soon as you hear that Sir Richard Temple has made arrangements to start for Cumbum.

No. 77.
Extract from a letter from J. H. LATHAM Esquire, Chief Engineer and Manager, M. I. and C. Co., dated Ayaloor, 17th July 1877.

4. I have therefore written directly to you in order that no moments, each worth a human life, may be lost; but that you may feel justified as I know you are anxious to carry out efficient and strong measures at once in this emergency.

5. In this I, and every British subject wish you heartily success. I am well aware that a Departmental Officer cannot carry out emergent measures, such as the

present occasion. cries for, without personal self-sacrifice and risk; but I am sure that every one who knows your repeated experience in connection with large works of Irrigation, your long and intimate knowledge of every part of the Canal and of the character of the chief men in every village under it. Every one who knows the confidence of Government in your industry and ability shewn by the high offices you have held, will feel that all you do heartily and fearlessly in such a crisis, deserves the hearty and fearless support of all true men.

No. 78.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
2nd October 1877, No 3,067.

Read the following papers:—

No 34. Endorsement of the Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 5th September 1877, No. 2, 583.

From J. H. LATHAM Esquire, Chief Engineer and Manager, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, Fort St. George, dated Kurnool, 13th March 1877, No. 29.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of G. O., No. 537, of 6th February (ultimo), Revenue Department, on No. 431, of 28th ultimo, Public Works Department.

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9. For ought I know these letters are pigeon-holed. I received no answers. I have perceived no difference produced by any of them. The Board of Revenue, too, know nothing of anything being wrong—of complaint being made. They prove that their intentions are good (their paragraph 1), that they are not responsible for the instructions under which their officers act (paragraph 3). They do not (13th January) know

how their instructions work, but will inquire. This, the Madras Government on the 6th February, think "quite sufficient". It is enough to make the officers of the Canal Company despair, and in fact does so.

11. On the 29th January, sixteen days after the Board of Revenue had promised that the Collectors should report what had taken place, I met Ramachendra Row, the Special Deputy Collector in charge of all Irrigation in the Kurnool District, at Ayalur. He said he had not then the means of checking the Canal officers' returns for a single village. He had not a single return from any village in the taluqs under his charge. No such return existed in a single village nor could be got even were he allowed a week in which to obtain one.

16. My interviews with the Deputy Collector and Tahsildar of Sirwell above referred to were in the presence of the Divisional Engineer, but not those with the Acting Collector. I have no complaint to make against the Revenue officers; on the contrary, I owe them on the part of the Company, thanks for their invariable courtesy.

No. 181. W.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Submitted for the information of Government with reference to G. O., Revenue Department, No. 537, dated 6th February 1877, and G. O., Public Works Department, No 431, dated 28th February 1877.

There is much in the letter of the Chief Engineer and Manager, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, which indicates the necessity for the issue of such orders in the Revenue Department as will ensure the speedy introduction of more efficient Revenue administration. The undersigned

believes that the greatly needed reforms will not be secured until a Covenanted Revenue Officer of some standing is deputed to ascertain what measures are necessary to secure the punctual and correct ascertainment of the areas under irrigation in each village, and what improvement in or strengthening of the village machinery is required, and thereafter to superintend for a time the working of the arrangements which may be sanctioned.

Fort Saint George, } (Signed.) JOHN MULLINS,
10th April 1877. } LIEUT. COLONEL, R. E.
Chief-Engineer for Irrigation.

Proceedings of the Madras Government dated 11th July 1877,
No 153 I, Public Works Department.

Abstract.—*Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.*—
Passing orders on Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation regarding the delay in the settlement of sums due to the—for water supplied during the last irrigation season.

The Chief Engineer and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company having addressed the Chief Engineer for Irrigation on the subject of the difficulties experienced in ascertaining the extent of irrigation by means of the Canal, and the delay in obtaining a settlement of the Company's demand for water supplied under existing arrangements, the latter was instructed to confer with the Board regarding the measures to be adopted for securing more efficient Revenue administration. The Board regret the delay which has occurred in submitting the results of the conference and which is due to the pressure of other work.

3. How far the inconveniences complained of are due to negligence on the part of village and taluq officers the Board are unable to say, but that inconvenience is felt is undoubted, and the Board fear that nothing short of the appointment of a special officer will suffice to put the affairs of the Company in their relations with the Madras Government on a right footing. Under ordinary circumstances, i.e., if the

Canal were the property of Government, it would be maintained and worked by the ordinary engineering establishment of the district and the dues would be collected by the ordinary Revenue establishment as is already done successfully in the Godavery and Kistna Districts, but the relationship between the Company and the Government is so peculiar that it has been found impossible to conduct their joint affairs without extra-establishments.

4. The Board, therefore, support Colonel Mullin's proposal and recommend that an officer of Sub-Collector's standing be appointed as soon as one can be spared. He should have charge of the villages irrigated by the Canal, so far as questions connected with irrigation therefrom are concerned, and conduct his duties under the orders of the Collectors of Cuddapah and Kurnool; he should supervise the working of the Curpams, investigate complaints and by cases connected with irrigation, encourage the ryots to avail themselves of the water stored for their use, and generally endeavour to ascertain what practical hindrances and difficulties exist, how they can best be removed and in what respects the rules require amendment. He should also conduct the settlement which must be made half-yearly, instead of annually as hitherto, if the instructions contained in G. O., dated 3rd October 1876, No. 2,657, Department Public Works, regarding the adjustment of the company's demands are to be complied with. He would probably be able to set things straight in a couple of years or so.

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Transferred to the Revenue Department for the issue of orders.

(Signed) J. MULLINS,
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL, R. E.,
Joint Secretary to Government,
P. W. D.

No. 85.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, dated 4th September 1877, No 291-I, Abstract.—Communicating the annual Revenue and Administration Report of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company for 1876-77.

No. 36.

ORDER THEREON 2nd October 1877, No. 3, 067.

Irrigation No. 2.

The Board will be good enough to ascertain from the Collector of Kurnool whether, in his opinion, the object adverted to in paragraph 4 of their Proceedings, dated 4th August last, No. 3,654, would be effected if, so far as his district is concerned, A Ramachandra Row was relieved of all other duty.

2. The Collector of Cuddapah should also be similarly consulted as to what he considers necessary in that district.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 79.

Extract from a letter from W. M. THORBURN Esquire, Assistant Collector of Kurnool, dated 6th December 1877.

I was delighted to get your letter of the 27th.

I am glad that you have got through all your arduous work so successfully. I am sure that everybody will agree with Mr. Latham.

I have been hearing that you expect to get away to Tinnevely soon, that Rajaratnam Mudaliar will be transferred to Nandial, and our superfluity here be made stopgap

at Piyapalli. You will be much missed by many in the District, and I hope that at least you will not go before I can get back from this dreary camp to Kurnool.

No. 80.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from J. B. PENNINGTON Esquire, Collector of Tinnevely, dated Trichendur, 27th March 1878.

I am very glad to hear you are looking carefully after those cocoanuts. I have had them on my mind a good deal and have not been satisfied with the Rental. I think you are likely to do much better with them in the way you describe. You might perhaps even deal with *each house-holder*, renting the trees in front of his house therein and adding it (by consent) to his house-tax.

No. 81.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from J. B. PENNINGTON Esquire, Collector of Tinnevely, dated Trichendur, 28th March 1878.

I am very glad to hear you have managed so well about the Tolls and Trees; if you could only revise the House-tax so as to get rid of the License Tax, it would be a great boon.

No. 82.

Extract from a letter from J. P. SCOTLAND Esquire, Divisional Engineer on special duty, dated Cumbum, 13th April 1878.

Your kind letter of the 9th February has, through an oversight, remained unanswered a long time. I however write now to thank you for your good wishes, expressed therein. Your heart must have rejoiced when you left Nundial

and I must congratulate you on your transfer to a better climate and post, for which I trust you receive a better pay also.

I certainly miss your genial company and conversation very much.

No. 83.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from J. B. PENNINGTON Esquire, Collector of Tinnevely, dated 6th June 1878.

I am glad to hear you are getting on with the Jamabundy and that there will not be much remission. Nanguneri got permanent relief by settlement to the amount of 70,000 Rupees. I think, and that ought to do.

I shall be curious to hear the result of your house-valuation they will not *easily* consent to your revision. I should like to be present when the final discussion comes on.

I am afraid the vaccinator's case will be extremely troublesome but the results will, I think, be valuable.

No. 84.

Extract from a Demi-Official letter from J. B. PENNINGTON Esquire, Collector of Tinnevely, dated Tinnevely, 29th June 1878.

I think you got through the Nanguneri Jamabundy very well and hope by this time you may have been equally successful at Tenkasi.

I am glad to see you are getting on with the North Main road but I am afraid the people are inclined to *encroach* on it. I noticed a *new fence* which should, I think, be set back.

No. 85.

COURTALLUM, 17th JULY 1878.

My dear Sir,

You have done very well with your * revision. I expect 4½ per cent is quite high enough. I return the enclosure.

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Yours sincerely,

(Signed) J. B. PENNINGTON.

I hope you will be equally successful with the license Act.

No. 86.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Tinnevely Municipality, held at the Municipal Office on the 30th of July 1878.

Resolution No 4.

"As the Commissioners learn that this would be the last meeting of the Board during the incumbency of M. R. Ry. A. Ramachendra Row Avergul, they take this opportunity of recording their regret for the loss of his valuable services, and the ability and courteousness with which he has always conducted his duties, as Vice-President of this Municipality".

True Extract submitted to the Vice President of the Tinnevely Municipality for his information.

TINNEVELLY
MUNICIPAL OFFICE,
2nd August 1878.

S. JESUDASEN,

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER,
Presiding at the meeting.

No. 87.

COURTALLUM, 7th SEPTEMBER 1878.

My dear Sir,

I have already written to Government forwarding your Memo, but it can not be despatched till another letter

* House-tax, Tinnevely Municipality.

connected with it, is ready. I take this opportunity of thanking you on my own account for taking so much intelligent interest in the affairs of the Municipality and the Anglo-Vernacular School and I hope they won't fall off again when you leave.

Yours truly,

(Signed) J. B. PENNINGTON.

I hope you will give us a full account of the Vaccination Department in your judgment whatever the verdict may be.

No. 88.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT,

2nd October 1878, No. 1758.

MUNICIPAL—REPORTS.

Read the following paper:—

No. 14.

From J. B. PENNINGTON Esquire, President of the Municipal Commissions, Tinnevely District, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, dated Courtallam, 21st September 1878, No. 871.

I have much pleasure in submitting for the information of Government a Memorandum drawn up by Mr. A. Ramachendra Row showing briefly the improvements he has succeeded in carrying out in the town of Tinnevely during the short time he has acted as Vice-President. There is still a great deal to be done especially in the direction indicated in paragraph 12 of my report on the Municipality for last year, but it is something to get a real beginning made.

2. It will be observed that the revision of the house-tax on the system described in my letter, No. 370, dated

21st September 1878, has resulted in a very important increase to the revenue, and I am satisfied that the plan adopted for assessment is not only perfectly fair, but even more in accordance with the provisions of Section 41 of the Act than the plan usually followed, the rule apparently being that the houses should be assessed *not* on the actual rental as is generally done, but on what they might be expected (from their value and extent) to let for. It is at any rate very desirable to draw as much Municipal revenue out of valuable house-property as possible because the house-tax is certainly the most generally satisfactory and equitable means we have of raising revenue.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

A BRIEF ACCOUNT showing the improvements in the Tinnelly Municipality since 9th March 1878, the date on which I entered on my duties as Vice-President.

House-tax—In the previous years this tax had been imposed and levied on houses simply classifying them as "terraced," "tiled," and "thatched" of first and second sorts, without any reference to area covered by each: hence a large terraced house paid the same low rate of Rupees 1-8-0 as one of half its dimensions.

2. In the revision the locality, the area covered, the materials used were all considered in fixing the annual rental and the aggregate tax with the increased *percentage* sanctioned by Government in G. O., dated 26th February 1878, No. 354, shows an excess three times the former amount from Rupees 2,500 to Rupees 6,500 and odd, and this is paid without the slightest difficulty or discontent.

3. The detailed measures adopted to bring about this result and the great opposition shown in carrying out the revision are too well known to the President to require further comment. The most extensive and comfortable terraced

house now pays between Rupees 6 and Rupees 14 or upwards instead of Rupee 1 or Rupees 1-8-0 in the previous years, while a house of the ordinary kind is charged the same low rate which it was hitherto paying.

4. *Tolls*.—The renting of tolls was another work which gave some anxiety. There was a great combination among the people of the town, and this was put down by repeated notices and meetings. The result was that a sum of Rupees 5,330 was realised from tolls, being an increase of Rupees 170 above the past year.

5. *FISHERY RENT*.—Rupees 50 are realized under this head, whereas the collections of the previous years were from Rupees 10 to Rupees 20 only.

6. *THE COCOANUT AND OTHER AVENUE TREES IN THE MUNICIPALITY*.—The system followed in renting the trees was quite different from the one pursued in previous years. The renting was at first put up street by street, but afterwards house by house, and this gave a large addition to the revenue. Rupees 185 were realized in the place of Rupees 67 in the former year. 342 trees came to bearing during this year, but even making an allowance for this circumstance, the tree-tax was still higher than in previous years. The average tax per tree is now Annas 8-8 against Annas 5-7 in the previous year.

7. *CONSERVANCY*.—Bullocks for Municipal carts were usually rented. During the year under review when the rent was put up for sale, exorbitant rates were demanded. As an experimental measure, six bullocks were purchased from the Municipal Funds and single-bullock carts were introduced, and this has already shown a saving of Rupees 744 per annum, while the Municipal work is conducted admirably without the slightest delay or hindrance.

8. The cimiter which had been built some months ago was brought into use.

9. The gravelling of the new north road was taken up and completed, although a great portion of the materials were ready at hand, and provision had been made in the budget, years ago.
10. The turfing and the planting of the avenue trees in some portions of this road is also in progress.
11. A new market for the sale of firewood and straw has been opened to the south of the new north road on the Nainarkulam tank bund. The Brahmin residents of the Tepaculam street, the backyards of whose houses flank this vacant ground, have encroached upon Municipal property a good deal. Steps are being taken to recover the ground. The encroachment in question has been pending before the Commissioners since eighteen months; masonry blocks have now been constructed in such portions of the southern boundary line of this vacant plot, where no encroachments have been made, to guard against future mischief of a similar kind. It is proposed to build a boundary wall when the dispute, which is now seriously carried on by the Agraharamdars, is settled.
12. Coconut trees have been newly planted in several streets for purposes of shade and ornament as well as for an increase of Municipal revenue.
13. The long-standing dispute between Sitayammal and Mahalingam Aiyar of Terku Rata Vidi with regard to the repair of a dangerous wall was amicably settled, the wall being totally removed and a new one erected at the expense of the objecting party. The parties were plying between the Commissioners' Office and the Civil Courts for seven years.
14. The Municipal School was brought on a better footing; the higher standard was introduced and an addition made to the teaching staff. The number of boys in the school has increased from 11 to 66.

15. LICENSE-TAX.—This new tax under Act III of 1878 was introduced. The great opposition which was met with in every direction in carrying out this measure, of which the President is aware, was overcome, and the probable receipts from this source are calculated at Rupees 4, 879.

TINNEVELLY, (Signed) A. RAMACHENDRA ROW,
28th August 1878. Vice-President, Tinnevelly Municipality.

No. 15. ORDER THEREON, 2nd October 1878, No. 1758.

The memorandum forwarded by Mr. Pennington shows that the Vice-President of Tinnevelly, Ramachendra Row, has performed the duties of this office with much zeal and intelligence and advantage to the Commission as well as the townspeople.

(True Extract.)

H. B. GRIGG,
Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Tinnevelly.

To M. R. R. A. Ramachendra Rao Avergal, Deputy Collector and Vice-President, Municipal Commission, Tinnevelly, for information.

(Signed) J. B. PENNINGTON,
President, Municipal Commission,
Tinnevelly.

No. 89.

Extract from a Demi-official letter from J. B. PENNINGTON Esquire, Collector of Tinnevelly, dated 17th February 1880. Enclosed is a note of what I want to say about the market.*

* New market at Strivilliputtur.

I have much pleasure in declaring this market open. I am sure every one will admit that it reflects the greatest credit on its designers and constructors, and for myself I may say that I was quite astonished to find such a neat and commodious structure. I am quite sure it will be the greatest possible convenience to the public, and that it will be, I hope, a very worthy and lasting memorial to the skill and energy of the Deputy Collector and Tahsildar, through whose efforts it has been so rapidly completed. It is by far the best market I have seen in any up-country town and might well serve as a model to any Municipality in want of one. I shall make a point of recommending the Tuticorin Commissioners to try and beat it if they can.

No. 90.

No. 1473.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th October 1880.

Read the following letter from J. B. PENNINGTON Esquire, Collector of Tinnevely, and Major J. Campbell Walker, Deputy Conservator of Forests on Special duty, to C. A. GALTON, Esquire, Secretary to the Board of Revenue (through Conservator of Forests), dated 18th August 1880, No. 218:—

We have the honor to submit a memorandum (with sketch) by Mr. Baber, the Boundary Settlement officer appointed in accordance with G. Os, No. 2, 129, dated 31st October, and No. 2,252, dated 8th December 1879, containing a résumé of the decision passed by him under the provisions of Act XXVIII of 1860.

2. The Boundary Settlement Officer disposed of eleven boundary disputes as shown in the register which accompanies his memorandum.

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6. Case No. IX was very important, the forest claimed by the Zemindar of Sivagiri being valuable both on account of the timber it contains and as protecting the head waters of the Palaiyar, an important stream on which depends most of the irrigation in the plains below (Government and Zemindari). Mr. Baber's decision is entirely in favor of Government, and the whole 9 miles of valuable hill forest will, it is hoped, be saved. The Zemindar has, however, already filed a suit to set aside this decision, as reported by the Collector in his letter, No. 504, dated 9th August 1880.

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Enclosure No. 1.

Memorandum on the Settlement of Zemindari Forest Boundaries in the Tinnevely District.

Under instructions contained in the Superintendent's communication noted in the margin, I was deputed to the work of settling all Zemindari forest boundaries in the Tinnevely District as ordered in G. O., No. 2,129, dated 31st October 1879.

I proceeded to Tinnevely on the 3rd November 1879, and on arrival there placed myself in communication with the Collector of the district, and Major Campbell Walker, Deputy Conservator of Forests; these two officers with Mr. Hayne, the local Forest officer, formed the District Forest Committee.

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5. I proceed now to give a résumé of each case.

No. IX. *The Vasudevanallur Sivagiri Case.*

This is an important and interesting case, and is one of those reported on by Major Campbell Walker in 1869; the point for decision was, which of two streams was the Palaiyar river, this river being shown in the Government and Zemindari accounts as the boundary line. The evidence in support

of the Government claim was overwhelming, and enabled me to decide *in toto* against the Zemindar, who will doubtless try what an appeal to a Civil Court will do for his case. Great credit is due to Mr. Hayne, Deputy Conservator of Forests, and Mr. A. Ramachendra Row, Deputy Collector on General duties, for the able manner in which evidence to support the Government claim by possession in the disputed tract was collected and placed before me. The entire disputed tract comprising 9 square miles of valuable forest land is by my decision, made over to the Government Village of Vasudevannalur, and the total length of boundary line settled is about 9 miles.

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The enclosures to the Conservator's letter which relate to the settlement of all forest boundaries in the district of Tinnevely will be submitted for the information of Government.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) E. GIBSON,

Acting Sub-Secretary.

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List of Certificates and Orders in verification of the History of the Service of Arot Ramachandra Rao, Dy. Collector & Magistrate of Trichinopoly

Certificate or Order	Date of Certificate or order	Purpose of Certificate or order.
A Certificate given by W. H. Bayley Esqre, Secy to the Board of Revenue	3 rd March 1852	Making that A. Ramachandra Rao was entertained in the Madrasa Cutcherry of Board Office on the 10 th July 1852 and left it, on promotion, on the 7 th December 1852, for the Collector's Office, Salem District.
B Taken from H. D. Phillips Esqre, Collector of Salem No. 27	29 th Dec-1852	Appointing do. as Huzoor Javabdaris in a Salary of Rs 70 per month from 7 th December 1852
C do. from do. Extra No. 1	5 th Sep-1853	granting do. sick leave for 3 months on substitute, drawing a moiety of his pay.
D Taken from H. A. Brett Esqre Collector of Salem No 16	17 th Dec-1853	Appointing do. as Tahsilwar of Althor, Salem District.
E do from do No. 308	9 th Apr-57	Appointing do. as Acting Naib Sheristadar of Salem District.
F Taken from do. No. 120	31 st May 1857	Appointing do. as Acting Naib Sheristadar of Salem District Sub pro tem
G do. from do. No. 85	1 st Nov-1858	Appointing do. as Naib Sheristadar of Salem District.
H Letter from J. D. Boardillon Esqre Secretary to Govt No. 39.	26 th March 1859.	Appointing do. as 4 th Class Dy. Collector and Magistrate of Trichinopoly District.

Aramachandra Rao
Late (Dy. Collector)

Madras
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30th September 1882

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ratta Cutcherry on the
10th July 1849, & was
besides frequently em-
ployed in translating
from & into Marhatta
& English. On the 26th

translated to the office of
Translator in the village
Cutcherry on
34 As a month -

He has a very com-
plete knowledge of
English, & his transla-
tions have always
been so well able &
correct. The
Board Serishtadar
gives him a good
character, & I
can speak to his

general ability and
activity in the per-
formance of his duties.

W. H. Barclay
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

3^d March 1852

The above was written when
R. Row was a candidate
for a place in the Chingleput
Cutcherry -

He has since been asked by
the Collector of Salem to

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Average pay from 10/5/77 to 9/5/82 = Rs 500 ---

1/2 pay per month = Rs 250 ---

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Dec. 10

Of all the men I know
 Geo. Briggs is the best
 ———— & so must be ————

Dear friends: - I have
 just received your letter of the 11th
 and am glad to hear from
 you. I am well and hope
 these few lines will find you
 the same. I am sure you
 are all well and happy.
 I am, dear friends,
 ever your affectionate
 friend,
 1858 2nd March - 1st day

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Recd. 26.3.59
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Enc: //

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
26th March 1859.

No. 39.

From
J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.
To *A Ramachandra Rao*
Sub Shensadar of Salem.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint you Deputy Collector and Magistrate of the *Madras* Class and to post you for *Trichinopoly*.

~~You will receive instructions from the Board of Revenue through the Collector under whom you are at present placed as to when you are to join your new appointment.~~

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. D. Bourdillon
Secretary to Government.

Exd. H. M. Elliot.

in N-1259

to an officer for work done out of office

No 535

Madras, 10th October 1882.
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Sir

The Accountant General
to the Government of Madras
Fort St. George

Sir

In continuation of my
letter of the 30th ultimo, I have the honor
to state that since its despatch, I
came across in one of the local journals
the definition of the word "Salary" by the
Government of India, a definition which
has likewise met with the approval
of the Secretary of State.

2. It is therein stated that the term
"Salary" should include (1) all fixed
allowances of whatever kind paid from
the general Revenue of the Empire or
from any funds administered by Government
and also (2) that in addition to pay in
the shape of bonus or honorarium given
to an officer for work done out of office.

No 1259

Salug (Kurnool District) to the limits
of Prodatore in the Caddappa District.

I had, moreover, been allowed an extra
clerk and a "Dalayt," for my additional
work.

6. Under these Circumstances, I
respectfully solicit that in calculating
the 5 years average for my pension,
the special allowances in question
may be added to my Salary of Rs 500.

7. The average would come to
Rs (552.2.3) and not Rs (530.5.4) entered
by me in the 1st page of the printed
application for pension submitted with
my letter of the 30th ultimo above quoted.

8. A moiety of the revised average
would be Rs (276.1.1) which sum, I pray,
may be recommended for pension.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

Mumtaz Ali Khan

Late Dy. Collector of Linnerville

V



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No 448P

Madras, 95
No. 8, Singara Charivar
Street, Triplicane,
30th September 1882.

To

H. F. Clogston Esquire,
Accountant General
to the Government of
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your official
Memorandum, No. I.A.E.
248, dated the
15th Instant, I have the honor to sub-
mit, herewith, the form of my applica-
tion for pension, filled up as directed,
marked A to H together with 8th original Certificates
as per list append-
ed. in Orders in support of the entries in
the 2nd page of the Form. For want
of sufficient space, I have embodied
the details required in the 2nd page
in a separate statement, which is like-
wise herewith submitted.

I also beg to submit herewith
2. a printed copy of my Testimonials,
which I solicit, may be forwarded to Govern-
ment, if you deem it necessary with
reference

No 1259.

From

A. Annaswamy

late 85 Collecting

Commissionary

To

The Accountant General

to the Government

Fort St. George

Subst 10th } October 1882.

Recd?

Subscribing for four

-ball subscription, for the

particulars in regard to

his Annaswamy application

reference to the 3rd page of the Form.

3. I beg to express my inability to obtain "certificated copies of" "statements of my services verified" "with reference to the records of the" "respective offices" in which I have served — and to solicit you will be pleased to refer to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, and the Collector of Salem who will doubtless be able easily to trace the required information inasmuch as the original orders herewith submitted by me would give the precise dates of appointment, promotion or leave.

I have the honour,

Sir,

Your most obed^t. serv^t.

Adanachari Dalao
Late Deputy Collector.



APPLICATION FOR { PENSION.
GRATUITY.

1. Name of Applicant. *Anot Ramachandra Rao.*
2. Father's name. *Anot Krishna Rao.*
3. Race, & Sect or Caste. *Mahratta Bramin, Vishnu Sect.*
4. Residence, *Shoring Village and Pergunnah. Triplicane. Madras.*
5. Present or last employment, including name of establishment. *Deputy Collector and Magistrate of Ponnorelly*
6. Date of beginning of service. *10th July 1849.*
7. Date of end of service. *9th May 1882.*
8. Length of service including interruptions ... *32-10-4*
of which superior ... *32-10-4*
inferior ... *4-5-2*
non-qualifying and breaks ... *as the age of the applicant on entering the Service was 17-6-28*
9. Class of {pension} applied for, and cause of application* ... *Swarajit Pension under Section - vide Surgeon Genl's letter No 328 of 9th July 1882 embodied in G.O. No 2178 of 10th July 1882.*
10. [Average] emoluments or pay. *Rs. (538-5-4)*
11. Proposed pension. *Rs. (269-2-8)*
12. Proposed gratuity.
13. Date from which ^{pension} to commence. *10th May 1882.*
14. Place of payment. *Triplicane, Madras.*
15. Date of applicant's birth by Christian era + *12th December 1831.*
16. Height. *(5) feet (1) Inch*
17. Marks. *A mole above the forehead on the left side; a mole on the left side of the neck; a mole on each cheek; a mole on the tip of the nose; a transverse scar of the palmar surface of first phalanx of the little finger of the right hand; a mole on the left side of the pit of the stomach; a mole on the inner side of the left knee joint; a scar on the sole of the right foot.*
18. Date. *30th September 1882*

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

If not known exactly, must be stated on the best information over estimate

SIGNATURE OF THE HEAD OF OFFICE.

Adinarayan Dadas
Sub-Dy Collector, P. Ponnorelly

To
The Accountant General
at the Fort of Madras
Dated 30th April 1882
Received
With 12 enclosures.
Submitting form of
application for Pension
as required by Official
Memorandum, No.
1.46, dated 15th of
248, from the Accountant
General.

HISTORY OF THE SERVICE (SHOWING BREAKS) OF *interruption*

Establishment.	Appointment.	Pay.	Acting allowance.	Date of beginning.	Date of ending.	Period reckoned as Service.	Period not reckoned as Service.	Remarks.	How verified.	Remarks by Accountant-General.
		RS.	A. P.			Y. M. D.	Y. M. D.			
		RS.				Y. M. D.				
			RS.							

Total period of { superior } service
{ inferior }

REMARKS BY HEAD OF OFFICE.

1. As to character and past conduct of Applicant.

2. Explanation of any suspension or degradation.

...sums of money received by ... Grant of increases to pay and creation of new appointments. Under these circumstances, this officer is of opinion that the applicants' claim to include the daily allowance in the calculation of his average & emoluments is untenable.

In accordance with R. & 4 under Section 130, the attention of Govt. is respectfully solicited to Section 65 of the Act.

*For and George
Acct^t Genl's office
17th October 1882*

BS. Moore

To *The Under Secretary to Government,* *Acct^t Accountant General*
Ruscon Department. *for Acct^t General*

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Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Read the following papers:—

From the *Secretary* *to the Government* *dated 30th Sept. 1882*

Accountant-General, dated *17th October 1882* *N. 1057*

ORDER THEREON, *8th Nov/82* *N. 1057*

UNDER Sections *102 and 109* of the Civil Pension Code (5th Edition), the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to grant to *Great Lama* *Chandra Rai* *at* *Magistrate* *of* *Sumnerly* *an* *annual* *pension* *of* *Rupces* *(250)*

two hundred and fifty *per mensem* *payable at Madras from* *10th May 1882*

in consideration of his qualifying *Superior* *service of* *twenty eight* *years,* *four* *months and* *twenty eight* *days.*

2. *Applicant's claim* *for a pension of Rs 269-2-8* *appears to have been* *based on a calculation* *of the average annual* *income, in which the* *acting*

To the Accountant-General, with Register.

Mr. R. Py. A. Ramachandra *Madras* *18-11-82*

APPLICATION FOR { PENSION OR GRATUITY }

Date of application, *30th September 1882*

Name of Applicant, *A. Ramachandra Rao*

Last Appointment, *By Collector & Magistrate*

Class of { Pension or Gratuity }

Amount of pension sanctioned.

Amount of gratuity sanctioned.

Date of commencement.

Date of sanction.

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Gobt. of 1882 Madras.
PENSION.

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

Dated 8th March 1882
Despd. 18th
Recd.

G.O. 8th Mar/82 No 1057.

Granting an annual pension
of Rs 250 per mensem to
Rama Chandra Rao
Collector and Magistrate
of Tumkur.

The Hon. Mr. Carmichael
(if it need be to the
Hon. Member).

List

Desd 7/11/82

History of the Service (showing interruption) of Acot Rausachenda Rindaby Collector and Magistrate of Tinnevely

Establishment	Appointment	Pay	Acting allowance	Date Beginning	Date Ending	Period not reckoned to Service	Remarks	How Verified	Remarks by Accountant General
Mahratta Cutcherry Board of Revenue, Madras	Gumastah	35	"	10 th July 1849	25 th Sept 1850	1 2 16		Vide Certificate given by W.H. Bayly Esq. Secy. for Pension being rendered before attainment of the date 3 rd March 1852 aged 22 years. marked A	Service from 10 th July 1849 to 25 th Sept 1850
Do.	Translator	54	"	26 th Sept 1850	6 th Dec 1852	2 2 11			
Salem Collector's Office	Jevab naris	70	"	6 th Dec 1852	6 th Dec 1853	0 9		Vide Takeed from H.D. Phillips Esq. Collector of Salem No 27 dated 27 th Decr 1852 marked B.	Verified as stated in the column headed verified. The verification of the service including portions rendered in
On Sick Leave for (3) months from				6 th Dec 1853	6 th Dec 1854	0 3		Vide do. from do. Extra No. 1 dated 5 th Sept 1853 marked C.	gazetted and gazetted appointment has been completed by reference partly to the original returns and from
Salem Collector's Office	Jevab naris	70	"	12 th Dec 1853	16 th Dec 1854	5 5		I have taken one month's privilege leave some time in June 1855	appointments Books, As
Salem district	Tahsildar of Shloor	100	"	17 th Dec 1855	7 th April 1857	3 26 22		Vide Takeed Register and the Service from H.A. Brett Esq. Collector of Salem No 16, dated 17 th Dec 1855, fully borne out by the marked D.	As the entire service as stated above has records of this office, a duplicate with reference to the original records of the respective verification Officers in
Do.	Acting Naib Theristadar	100	35	8 th April 1857	12 th May 1857	1 5		Vide Do from Do No 308 dated 9 th April 1857 marked E.	the applicant served to

Enclosure 2

in a letter

from

A. P. Remondino & Bros,
East Street, N.Y.

To
Dinner

The Rock Journal

At the Court of Sessions

October 30th }
Prison } September 1882

History of the Prison
of A. P. Remondino & Bros
Wholesale Dealers and Importers
of the Prison, no further
of the Prison of Application for
Prisoners, sent to the Rock
Journal.

in H. 1859.