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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department, from 11th to 17th May 1859.

Read the following Petitions

No. 11. To the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 23rd March 1859, No. 976.

The humble Petition of Mahomed KOORBAN, Son of the late Mahomed EBRAHIM, and Grand Son of the late Mahomed AKALASS.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

That your Council Board's poor Petitioner and his Father and Grand Father, served altogether for 45 years and upwards while so, Petitioner enjoyed full Pension of 5 Rupees until 6 or 7 months in consideration of Petitioners only service of 18 years, without reckoning the services of Petitioners Father and Grand Father as observed in the claims of many other servants who are enjoying Pension accordingly, and Petitioner is left destitute without a similar grant, who therefore applied to the Government Agent about 16 months ago, and received the Enclosure. And Petitioner craves that the charitable British Government will be graciously pleased to issue a favorable order that Petitioner may enjoy Government bounty, similar to many others. As in duty bound shall ever pray.

The mark of MAHOMED KOORBAN.

No. 1419 OF 1859.

Should have applied prior to 17th March 1858.

GOVERNMENT AGENT'S OFFICE,
Madras,
17*th March* 1859.

(Signed) P. T. SNOW,
Assist. Government Agent at Chepauk.

No. 12. To the Right Honorable Sir CHARLES EDWARD TREVELYAN, K. C. B., Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated 29th March 1859, No. 1235.

The humble Petition of Shaik Hoossain Son, Shaik Baubun, Father, Vazeer Bee, Grand Mother, and Unneefa Bee, Mother-in-law of the late Sheik Ahmeed, an Orderly in the Ahsham Department of His late Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic.

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

That the Petitioners most earnestly beg leave to submit these lines to your favorable and impartial consideration the injustice practised by Dr. Balfour, Commissioner to investigate the claims of the arrears due to the servants of his late Highness the Nabob fully confiding that your Lordship in Council will weigh the merit of their deplorable circumstances in the scale of justice and afford them due redress.

That there is a balance of arrears due by the Sircar of His Highness the late Nabob to the late Shaik Ahmeed and that the heirs had applied for the payment of it twice to the said Commissioner requesting to pay us the arrears of the said late Sheik Ahmeed which are herewith enclosed for your favorable perusal who endorsed on the former "Cash Receipt for money was not issued or was any way investigation made because did not appear to claim within prescribed time," and on the latter, "did not appear within appointed time," by these Endorsements we are subjected to the loss and detrimental to the sum allotted to their shares. Here the Petitioners beg to submit to your mature consideration that they have given reasons for not having appeared within the limited time and how they who are ignorant could have means to be informed of the time fixed by the Commissioner while they are wholly engrossed in earning the livelihood though failed to attend within the prescribed time, why cannot give in other time the Commissioner passes to settle the accounts of the arrears of Sircar servants if it meet them in these days

and accommodated of their distress they shall be comforted for a few days consequently the Petitioners earnestly hope that your Lordship in Council will move with commiseration towards the poor and helpless wretches and entreat your Lordship in Council to authorize the Commissioner investigating the arrears of the servants of His late Highness the Nabob to pay to them the arrears due by the Sircar to the said late Sheikh Ahmeed.

In doing this act of equity and justice they shall ever pray the Almighty God to prolong your days with health, wealth and prosperity. Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray.

To E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Commissioner to Investigate the claims of the arrears of the Servants of His late Highness the Nabob, dated 18th March 1859, No. 1235 of 1859.

With reference to your endorsement of the 14th Instant, No. 4637, on our Petition we the undersigned heirs of the late Shaik Ahmud of Ahsham Department most respectfully beg leave to inform your favorable notice confiding that your honor will never shut your gracious ear to our requisition. That the death of the wife of the said Shaik Ahmeed impeded to appear before your honor on the prescribed day to obtain our claim for the arrears of salaries due by the Sircar to the said Shaik Ahmeed and that we earnestly entreat your honor will be pleased to move with pity towards the poor wretches and admit our claims to the alluded fact and grant us the printed form and cause to enjoy the benefit of the share from the arrears of the said Shaik Ahmeed, if neglected to comply with our solicitations we shall be subjected to difficulty. For which act of kindness we shall as in duty bound.

This mark SHAIK HOOSSAIN, Son.
This mark UNNEEFA BEE, Mother-in-law.
This mark UAZEER BEE, Grand Mother.
This mark SHAIK BAUL, un Father. of the deceased SHAIK AHMEED.

Did not appear within appointed time.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
23rd March 1859.

(Signed) E. G. BALFOUR,
Commissioner.

Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy.

No. 13. To the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated 4th April 1859, No. 1261.

The humble Petition of LATEEFA BEBEE the poor Widow and the sister of the late ABDOOL KHADER of the Mursamany Department, No. 148,

With due respect and submission I beg leave to bring my *deplorable case* into your Lordships *Benevolent, just,* and *mature* consideration, that Dr. Balfour Esquire, who was appointed by the Government as the Commissioner to discharge the arrears of the Servants of His late Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic, has *deprived me a poor helpless, and a Gosha widow,* of the sum of 28 *Rupees* 8 *annas due to me,* as per his documents given to me; on an unreasonable ground of "Non-reappearance of my Vakeel at the moment, when my said brother's name, was, called out by the said Commissioner, at his pleasure."

I beg to state my Lord that my Vakeel attends the Commissioner's Cutcherry since six months, during which he obtained from the said Gentleman two papers, of which the one contains the amount *due to me in his own hand writing,* but, at the time of issuing Cash Receipt, he takes

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hold, the absence of my Vakeel, as a strong proof, to *deprive me of my Rite*; (My Lord; Dr. Balfour Esq., dare not to say, to any shop keeper, whom, he is to owe any money, that, I will not give you, your money, for your bill Collector did not come to me, when I wished to pay him, No matter he has attended my house since six months,) My case, is just the similar, my Lord, that, my Vakeel attended the Commissioner's Office since 6 months, and obtained all necessary documents to entitle him, to obtain cash Receipt, but, as a man being subject to sickness, my Vakeel did not appear before the said Gentleman, at the moment, when the name in question was called; for this reason, it is far from the principles of *justice* and *mercy* my Lord to *deprive me* of *my rite* I beg to state that, it was the duty of Dr. Balfour, Esq., as the *Investigator* to enquire into the reason of the absence of my Vakeel, (who has many witnesses to satisfy him) and to discharge the arrears of my late brother *due to me*; he did not do so, when I Petitioned him, (herewith enclosed) "to grant me *Rupees* 28 and *annas* 8 which *is due* to me as per your granted document, as charity," he did not attend to my humble Petition but, endorsed the said Petition very unsatisfactorily to my *claim* and *Petition*; therefore, my Lord I humbly beg that, your Lordship in Council will graciously be pleased to consider into my *poor insignificant case,* and magnanimously be kind enough to order the said Commissioner Dr. Balfour Esq., *to give me, what is due to me,* and not to deprive me *a poor helpless widow* of *my rite,* (which the Honorable Government are graciously willing to give,) or not to deprive me a poor widow of the sum of 28 *Rupees annas* 8, which he himself recognizes in his Document granted to me, *to be my due rite,* on accounts of my said late brother. For which act of justice and Benevolence, I as in duty bound will ever pray.

(Signed) LATEEFA BEBEE,

To E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Government Agent at Chepauk; dated 5th March 1859.

The humble Petition of LATEEFA BEBEE the sister of the late ABDOOL KHADER the son the late SHIKE YOUNOOS belonging to Meersamani Hoozoor, No. 148.

With due respect and submission I humbly beg to bring my unfortunate case into your honor's, benign, charitable and just consideration, that, your honor have been pleased to grant 2 papers regarding the arrears of my late brother due by His late Highness to my Vakeel Ghoolam Dustagur Salah, who pitying my circumstances has been pleased to undergo the trouble of getting the said arrears for me, for my being a poor helpless and Gosha widow: but, yesterday I am given to understand that your honor have drawn a line on the name of my late brother, with a remark that, "none of his heirs reappeared" on account of my Vakeel not reappearing before your honor, when your honor have called the name in question; I beg to state, that what your honor have done is quite right: but, I earnestly state, my Vakeel attends Mr. L. Cradock's (School) of Harris School, and he would not have (known the day, or would not have) the time to attend at the moment when your honor called out the name; Now I implore your honor to pardon his absence: and be not pleased to deprive me (a poor widow, who is waiting for a long time, for the sum of 28 *Rupees* and 8 *annas* which your honor have kindly written with your own hand) of my rite, on account of the absence of my Vakeel. Honored Sir now I do not claim the said sum as my rite, but, as a charity, and your honor will for your goodness and children's sake be pleased to condescend to intercede in my behalf, (the poor insignificant being) to the Government, as the Lamb of God, who came down to redeem the sinners and grant me the said sum as charity, if not from the Government from your own pocket money separated for the purpose of charity. For which benevolence and charity, I as in duty bound shall ever pray.

(Signed) LATEEFA BEBEE.

Excluded by Non-reappearance on 2nd February 1859.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
12th March 1859.

(Signed) E. G. BALFOUR,
Commissioner.

No. 14. To the Right Honorable Sir CHARLES EDWARD TREVELYAN, K. C. B., Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated 13th April 1859, No. 1443.

The humble Petition of FATMA BEBEE sister of the late SYED BERAM, a Servant of His Highness the (late) Nabob of the Carnatic attached to the Sirkar Khana Department.

MOST HUMBLY SHOWETH,

With profound respect and submission your Excellency's poor Petitioner begs to submit her case before your Excellency, hoping to meet with success. That her late brother Syed Beram who was a Servant of His Highness the (late) Nabob of the Carnatic attached to the Shikarkana or hunting Department on a salary of 3½ Rupees per month died about a year and two months ago, but your Excellency's poor Petitioner was ignorant of his decease as she was living at Cuttack till one year, in the meantime, when the Commissioners were appointed to discharge the arrears of the Servants of his late Highness, your Petitioners step-father Khader Beig and the deceased's mother-in-law Madar Bee, applied to the Commissioners as claimants and heirs to the deceased's arrears, without informing your Excellency's poor Petitioner, by means of any communication, but the Commissioners refused their claim, subsequently your Excellency's poor Petitioner's step-father Khader Beig informed her about the decease and the abovementioned circumstances of her late brother's arrears by means of a commnnication, on which your Excellency's Petitioner came down to Madras on a sailing vessel, and applied to the Commissioner on the 4th Instant for the arrears of her late brother which amounts to Rupees 52-8-0 but the Commissioner endorsed on it saying I did "not appear within proper time" which will be known to your Excellency by the enclosed papers, now your Excellency's poor Petitioner humbly craves to your Excellency that she was living far off from Madras and she was not informed at all of her late brother's death, unless it was known to her lately by her step father, now she has none in this unknown city to provide her besides, that she is pregnant as her late brother's arrears are very trifling it is not a trouble to pay it, as the Government has discharged and is discharging large sums of arrears and debts due to the Servants and creditors of His Highness, your Excellency's poor Petitioner with folded arms humbly entreats your Excellency to order her late brother's arrears to be paid to her soon without detaining her in this city as she is suffering for her food besides she is pregnant by which act of benevolence and charity she shall as in duty bound ever pray.

No. 15. Read Abstract Translation from SHURFOOD DEEN a Chobdar of Bukshi Badshahi Department of the late Nabob, No. 1482 of 1859.

States that he left Madras one year ago in a state of madness, and went to Hyderbad observes that now on his return, he addressed three or four Petitions to the Government Agent at Chepauk praying him to disburse the arrears of wages due to him by the late Nabob, but that Officer furnished him with an endorsement, stating that it was too late. Submits the papers connected with his case. Prays Government to order his arrears to be disbursed to him.

No. 16. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE THE PRESIDENT, dated 28th April 1859.

We ought, as I have already remarked in a similar case, to be indulgent in regard to defaults for lapse of time. The circumstances which may prevent ignorant persons in this country from applying by a given date, especially where Females are concerned as in this case, are various. I suggest that the Papers be referred again to Dr. Balfour with the above remark.

(Signed) C. E. TREVELYAN.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 13th May 1859, No. 296.

Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 115, dated 16th February 1858.
" " *No* 588, *8th September* 1858.

With reference to the Notifications which have at various times been issued with the sanction of Government, prescribing dates, within which claims for Pension or arrears would be received for investigation, the Government observe that there are many cases in which the rigid enforcement of the rule of exclusion would bear hardly on Claimants.

Applications from persons residing in Madras and its vicinity may, as a general Rule if received after the date notified, be declared inadmissible, but indulgence must be shown in the case of Females, of persons residing in the interior, and of others whose temporary absence or other circumstances render it unlikely that the limitation in respect to the admission of applications could be known to them. In all cases it seems equitable that before refusing investigation of any claims the Government Agent should satisfy himself that the party has no good reason to offer for his default in point of time. This course will be followed in all future cases.

3. Petitions 1261 and 1443, from females will be disposed of on their merits. In the 1st the Government Agent would appear to have recognized the Petitioners claim. No. 1482, deserves consideration and will be taken up for disposal if the Statement in the opening of the Petition be found to be true. The Petitioners in Nos. 1235 and 976, have not in their Petitions, adduced reasons to account for their omission to appear by the day fixed, but their claims should be admitted to a hearing if from their position or other circumstances their cases appear to call for indulgence.

4. Ordered that the following Endorsement be given to the Petitioners. "Petitioners are referred to the Government Agent at Chepauk, who has received instructions on the subject of their Petitions.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. P. W. Begbie.

Asking

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Petition

N°. 1235 of 1859.

From Shaick Koofsuin
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and others Grand mother
and mother in law, of the
late Shaick, ahmeed, an
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Department of His High=
ness the late Nabob.

Enclose the Endorse=
ments of the Commissioner
dated 14th and 23d March
1859 on their respective
petitions, and pray for
orders for the payment
of the arrears due to them
as heirs of late Shaick
Hameed.

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to the Endorsements
of the Commissioner
dated 14th and 23d March
1859. N°. 4637 and 4681.

J.J. L.J.

Copy
N°. 4637

From Vazeer Bee and others. Dated and Receiv
14th March 1859.

Asking

Asking arrears of Shaick Ahmeed in the Ahsham Department.

Cash receipt for Money was not issued nor was any investigation made, because heirs did not appear to claim within prescribed time

Comrs Office -
14th March 1859 } (Signed) C. B.
Commissioner

Similar with the Cert. list
on proposing a similar course
on a former occasion. Copy. It was negatived

No 4651.

From Nayeer Bee and others heirs of Shaick Hameed. Dated and Recd 18th March 1859

Giving reasons for not having appeared within the prescribed time and asking arrears.

Did not appear within appointed time.

Comrs Office -
23d March 1859. } (Signed) C. B.
Commissioner.

For ought as I have already remarked in a similar case to be understood as regards defaults for lapse of time - the circumstances of persons which may prevent their applying by a certain date - especially where females are concerned (as in this country) are various - [illegible]

No 296
E. A. C.
Dated 13th May 1859.

Pol. Dept.
5th

Read the following petitions } Here enter Nos 976. 1235. 1261. 1443. & 1482. of 57.

Minute by the Hon'ble the President - 28 April 1859.

E. M. C. No 115. dy 16th Feb. 58.
" 534 - 6th Sept. 58.

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for indulgence —

4 — Ordered that the
following Endorse-

~~be Instructed~~
be given to the Petrs.

"Petrs are referred to
the Govt Agent at
Chepauk who has
received instructions
on the subject of
their Petn"

L.T.

2d Govt Agt with 5 petns & their enclosures } Dispd 20th

Copy of Endt to Petrs } Dispd by the Petitions Dept

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Pro: of Government

D/ 13: May 1859.

Referring to the chepauk agent with certain instructions the 5 Petitions received from certain servants of the late Nawaub complaining of that officer refusing to ad:mit their claims in consequence of their not Establishing the same within the prescribed period.

F. N 134 of 60 · F. N 203 of 61 F. N 219

F. N 1482

F. N 98 of 68

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