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Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 382

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department,
from 25th June to 1st July 1859.*

No. 8. Read the following Address from COMAREN TOMBY; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 7th March 1859.

I beg respectfully to submit my Memorial with its enclosures, to your official care, and humbly beg that you will be pleased to forward the same for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, as practicable.

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 27th June 1859, No. 332.

* From Honorable Court, 2nd February and 28th June, Nos. 3 & 6 of 1836, p. p. 14 and 15.
To do. 27th February, No. 2 of 1855, p. 27.
From do. 30th April, " 3 of 1856.
From do. 3rd March " 4 of 1858.
To do. 30th March " 3 of 1858.
From do. 30th August " 9 of 1858.

1. Ordered that the above Memorial received from Comaren Tumby and the Resident's letter be transmitted to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, with reference to the correspondence noted marginally.*

2. Ordered also that intimation be given to Petitioner, on his Memorial being despatched to its Address.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Amount Shewing the Particulars of the Properties belonged to
 Dewan Rayacasava Goss deceased, and which have 9th Vysa of
 977 aundoo seized and kept in amana by the Rajah of Teroovancore from
 the Countries Vizt. Teroovanundapoorum, Caroorichee Teroovodacodoo,
 Padmanadapoorum, Paloonum Coonnatoor, Davicodoo and where they were
 as well as Ninja and Poonja lands attached hereto.

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Particulars of the Properties seized from the House situated from the South street in the Mooloor called Teroovanunda- poorum Vizt. Pagodas Gold Mohers & Huttages & Jewels &c.				
Several other things -		3650000	521428	9 1/2
Amount of the value of the 3 Curmatie Ivory Palankiens		36000	5142	13 5/8
D. D. 12. Pallankiens.		8400	1200	" "
D. D. 5 Pogo Ponies		35000	5000	" "
D. D. 15 Arab Horses		75000	10714	4 6 3/4
Particulars of the Properties seized from the 2 Houses situated in Caroorichee the Town of Hieroolum.				
Pagodas Gold mohers Pattaches Gold & Silver Rapes } Amuntapoorum Tanames and Chebrums }		473850	67607	2 3 1/4
Amount of the value of 5 Pannoon bochipoorum or Hip gold jewels.		56200	8025	9 1 1/2
D. D. 40 Polumcoothavala or Hand jewels		55000	5000	" "
D. D. 4 Veerasunglee or Hand jewels set with stones		40000	5714	4 6 3/4
D. D. 1 of Mooroozoo		39000	5541	6 10 1/4
D. D. 16 Sarappalay or Necklace		20000	2857	2 3 1/2
D. D. 4 Pairs of Mooroomalay or Pearl string		28000	4000	" "
D. D. 12 Pattachuss or Breast Plate		60000	8541	6 10
D. D. 10 Pairs Pannoon Tuckay or Ear jewels		18000	2541	6 10
D. D. 163 Rings in number Vizt. Rings Chanadees Sunglee malay Cofpoo Aroomboomane Naganada Talue Corela Talue Chukoo Talue Wookatoe silver Hip jewels Coral strings Silver vessel Rapes malay		137800	19685	11 5
D. D. 2 measure Gold Dust of jewels		35200	5025	9 1 1/2
D. D. Precious stones		6600	9428	9 1 1/2
D. D. Shawls of silk and other sorts		9800	1400	" "
D. D. 270 Brass Utensils		16000	2285	11 5
D. D. China Box jars & Dish &c.		24000	3428	9 1
D. D. Different sorts of arms				
D. D. 600 bottles of Paddy at 11 1/5 Tanames per cattal		6999 3/5	999	1 1/2 7/8
D. D. 2 Curmatie Ivory Palankiens at 1200 Tanames each		24000	3428	9 1 1/2
D. D. 12 Pallankiens at 700 Tanames each		8400	1200	" "
D. D. 2 Arab Ponies at 700				
D. D. 2 Arab Horses at 500		10000	1428	9 1/2

Besides the above mentioned properties 147 cattal
 of Ninja Land a House Garden Cattle Puller &
 Pariah dependant attached Puttah Land House also
 have been seized

Particulars of the Properties from Teroovodacodoo
 in the Talook of the said Hieroolum
 Amount of the value 2550 bottles of Paddy seized

from the Godowns at 11 ¹/₂ Panams per Cottah 29856 ³/₄ 42575 8 6

D D The materials of the said Godowns demolished and several things therein contained } 121975 17425 " "

D D 587 Cattles & at 50 Panams each 29350 4193 13 8 ¹/₂

D D 367 Pullen and Pariah dependants at 40 ^{Panams each} 14680 2997 2 3 ¹/₄

Besides these above mentioned properties 60 Cottah of Nunga Lands and 2 Piece of Godowns on which the demolished Godown and Bullocks and Stables were erected having also seized

Particulars of the properties seized from Padmanadapuram in the Talook of the said Humsolum

Amount of the value 42 Cattles at 50 Panams each 2100 300 " "

D D 17 Pullers & Pariahs dependant 40 D- 680 97 2 3 ¹/₄

Besides these above mentioned 2 Stews 50 Cottah of Nunga Lands attached to Puttanna Channy Tank and a House situated in Cothecandoo in the Fort

Particulars of the Properties seized from the House situated at Palosconum in the District of Veelanuradoo

Pagodas and Gold Mohurs &c 380000 45285 " 5

Amount of the value of different jewels 250000 37714 4 6 ³/₄

D D Shawls of Silk and other sorts 140000 20000 " "

D D Brass Utensils and Arms &c 75000 10714 4 6 ³/₄

D D Paddy 11000 1714 4 6 ³/₄

D D The articles of the said Houses which has been demolished } 60000 2571 6 11 ¹/₂

D D 60 Cottahs of Paddy - D. D. 5000 428 9 1 ¹/₂

D D 2 Carnatic Ivory Pallankuens 24000 3428 9 1 ¹/₂

D D 5 Pallankuens 3500 500 " "

Besides these properties 60 Cottah of Nunga Lands and Gardens have also been seized

Particulars of the properties seized from the Houses situated at Coanaton of the above Talook } 565000 80714 4 6 ³/₄

Amount of the value of materials of one of these

2 House which has been demolished

D D 2 Carnatic Ivory Pallankuens

D D 9 Pallankuens

Besides these properties 35 Cottah of Nunga Lands and a House &c of Piece of Ground of the House Garden Callahs dependants

Particulars of the Properties seized from the 2 Houses situated at Tanaroodoo in the Talook of Crannal

Pagodas Gold mohurs Pattack Gold & silver jewels & Paddy 535000 76428 9 1 ¹/₂

Amount of the value of the Pallankuen 4200 600 " "

Besides these Properties 45 Cottah of Nunga Lands 2 Houses of Gardens Cottahs dependants 36 Salt Pits in the Salt Cottah Rajakamanyaluru have also been seized

A Garden of Coconut Trees & called Itamooly in the Village of Paray Padacky balance in the Talook of Agatsoorun Mountabane or Talook.

Besides these Total amount of the Lands properties &c stated in the Proceedings

4 Items Marked o as well as 36 Salt Pits Marked o should also be received from the Rajah.

40000 5714 4 6 ³/₄

24000 3428 9 1 ¹/₂

6300 900 " "

535000 76428 9 1 ¹/₂

4200 600 " "

565000 80714 4 6 ³/₄

51489 ¹/₂ 107355 5 1 ¹/₂

Memorandum

Comareu Vombly alias Vombly Shumbaga
Dates 16th - ramenu Comareu that his Memorial to the address of the
October 1854 Honorable the Court of Directors was transmitted by the
Steamer "Hindustan" on the 28th ultimo.

Fort St. George }
2nd March 1855 }
Signed, J. Hadleston
Depy Secy to Govt.

To Comareu Vombly alias
Vombly Shumbagaramen Comareu
Madras

Political Department

Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to intimate that the Memorial
dated 2nd July forwarded by Comareu Vombly alias Vombly
Shumbagaramen Comareu to the address of the Honorable Court
of Directors, was despatched by the Steamer "Bengal" on the
15th instant.

Signed, Carmichael
Depy Secy to Govt.

To Comareu Vombly alias
Vombly Shumbagaramen Comareu
Madras

20th Sept to Aug 21/30 June 1830 of 1839

Political Letter to Aug 21/27 May 1839

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Dr Mr Regill. Howell

Lord of the

Chancellor of the

Exchequer

Chancery District

London

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His Highness the

of Chancery

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To
The Right Honorable Lord Stanley
Secretary of State for India

The humble Memorial of Comaren
Tombajalar Tombu Sheenbagasamen
Comaren of Travancore

My Lord

That Your Memorialist with the greatest
deference and respect takes the liberty to lay this his appeal before
your Lordship, and humbly implores that he will obtain that redress
at Your hands which his deplorable Case deserves.

Prior to the Year 1798 Raja Casava
Dyff, the Grand uncle of Your Memorialist, was Deewan to the
then Rajah of Travancore, and while holding that highly responsible
and important Ministerial Office, he gained the full Confidence of
both the Rajah and the Representative of the British Government
and possessed their joint respect and good will, up to the date of the
death of the Rajah, which occurred sometime in the Year 1798.

Upon the occurrence of this melancholy
event the Care of the young Prince the late Rajah's son devolved
on Memorialist's Grand uncle, Deewan Raja Casava Dyff,
until the Year 1799 when the affairs of the young Rajah's Govt
were administered and Managed by the said Deewan, in strict
accordance

accordance with the terms of the Treaty of 1799 and the acknowledged Custom of the Country—about this time a fearful insurrection broke out in Travancore headed by Conjeevaram Pillay the Sumpaddy Valootombay, Puthmanabem Shembazaramen and others, finding Memorialist's Grand Uncle, to be a great impediment to their unlawful and rebellious designs—They contrived or planned the destruction of Raja Casava Dof, whose life they were determined in having and eventually succeeded in their cruel purpose by having poisons administered to him, and for which Crime and murder, they were brought to public trial by the President, but for want of conclusive and satisfactory evidence they were released and strange to say restored also to their situation.

In the Year 1800 Colonel Maccauley the then President of Travancore, found Memorialist's other uncle named Comaren Tomby, holding the appointment of Commander to the Troops of the Rajah, and your Memorialist's Brother named Eriven Tomby held the Office of Pashcar. The Dewan of the Sirkar, at this eventful period of the history of the Country, was one Valootombay, who was one of the leaders of the insurrection that broke out in 1799 and of whose detestable administration Colonel Maccauley had forwarded a full and lengthy report to the Government.

This Crafty, daring and heartless individual, during the absence of the President of Travancore, conspired to get up Charges of High Treason against Memorialist's Uncle, the above said Comaren Tomby, and your Memorialist's Brother.

Eriven Tomby, and they both were beheaded at midnight in the Year 1801 and had the whole of their personal landed property, as well as that belonging to Memorialist's Grand Uncle Raja Casava Dof escheated to the Sirkar.

Six months subsequent to the perpetration of this Cruel and Cold blooded assassination a legal Court of Inquiry, was instituted by Colonel Maccauley, the result of which event proved that the murdered relatives of Memorialist were quite innocent of the Crime of Treason—charged against them and condemned the parties guilty of the murder to sentence of death, and the said President moved the Rajah to restore the escheated property to Memorialist's Mother and the other surviving members of the family and in compliance with the desire of the President, the Rajah ordered his Dewan to restore a portion of the Landed property to them for their maintenance, and this mandate was duly obeyed by giving up to Memorialist's Mother and relatives, certain Houses, Gardens, and Cultivated lands still in their enjoyment—And the Travancore Government further promised that the residue of the property which consisted partly in Jewels, partly in Ready Money, partly in Brass and Copper utensils, wearing apparels &c. were to be held in trust for Memorialist, who was then an Infant until he attained his Majority.

That your Memorialist on attaining his age

age, in the Year 1822 presented an application to the Durbar, and the then President of Travancore, praying for the promised restitution of the property, but Memorialist can assign no reasons, nor were any given him for turning deaf ear to his prayer.

Your Memorialist is led to believe that, when the Circumstances Connected with the barbarous murders of Your Memorialist's ancestors, were brought to the notice of the Honourable Court thro' Colonel Maccauley then President of Travancore, but Your Memorialist in the Year 1822 when he wrote on the Colonel Newall then President of Travancore, who favoured and guided with a Copy of a letter of the Honourable Court of Directors that in the record of his Resident's Office which is as follows.

Extract from a General letter from the Honourable Court of Directors dated 29th September 1809 given by the Lieutenant Colonel Newall Resident in Travancore to Comaren Tomby alias Tomby Shembagaramen in the 7th Para of the said General letter.

The old Rajah was succeeded by his nephew, a young man whose Character seems ever since to have been marked by imbecility, Caprice and other qualities which show him to be wholly unequal to the task of Government. The old and faithful Deewan of his Uncle was supplanted by Law and vicious persons who soon gained an ascendancy over the Rajah and influenced the Conduct of affairs. In 1799 an insurrection broke out in the District. In 1800 a Cabal headed by a person named the Sumpredy, seized the reins of Gov^t. Grafs abuses prevailed

prevailed in many of the publick Departments Revenues were decreasing whilst the bulk of the people were in the lowest state of depression, and another insurrection took place on account of oppression in some branches of the Collections. The time of the Rajah is described to have been chiefly engrossed by his pleasures, and by Superstitious Ceremonies among the Bramins, who with their dependants, were reckoned to be equal in number to the working Class. The late Deewan so much respected by the people was not suffered to live even in retirement. There is very strong reason to believe that he was taken off by poison, and the British Resident considered it his duty, publicly to accuse Sumpredy of this foul murder, but after a short arrest and an appearance of an enquiry in which more solicitude was shewn to avoid than to effect discovery, he was restored to his liberty and influence at the Durbar. This man is stated to have charged the late Deewan with ruining the interests of Travancore by connections with Europeans, particularly the English; and from all the details contained in the ample Correspondence carried on by the British Resident at that time, it is strongly to be inferred that neither the Rajah nor those employed in the transaction of his affairs, regarded British connections with the ancient cordiality.

in the 11th Para of the said General letter

In 1801 the Rajah after repeated representations from the Resident of the disorderly state of the Country, and the necessity of rescuing the management of affairs from those whom he had permitted to possess themselves of it, appointed

appointed a new Deewan named Vally Tomby. This person had been at the head of the insurrection of 1799 - but being reputed a man of ability and firmness the Resident in the great want of persons of that description approved of his appointment and had reason to expect that he would be friendly to the Connection with the British Government. His subsequent Conduct however did not justify this expectation. The Resident after some absence from his Station, On returning to it in December 1801, found that all the relations of the old and respectable Deewan who himself had suffered a violent death, had also been murdered, and that Pimpreddy the former favorite had been disgraced and imprisoned by means of the new Deewan Vally Tomby.

Resident Office
16th March 1822

Signe/ Lieutenant Colonel Newall
Resident

On at last your Memorialist submitted several Petitions to the Government of Madras, on the subject of his claim respectively in the Year 1832 and 35 but on the 16th March 1836 he was favored with an Endorsement wherein it was stated that a strict enquiry had been made into his Case, which established the Circumstances entered in the Endorsement.

A True Copy

Memorandum

With reference to a Petition presented by Comaren Tomby to the Gov^t of Fort St. George under date the

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the 7th October 1835 the Resident of Travancore informs the Individual that a strict enquiry into the Circumstances of his Case has established the following facts.

That the P^{te} brother Eriven Tomby served the Travancore Gov^t at one time as Pashcar and latterly as Bullia Surwaddy or Head Superintendent of the Departments in the western Division Travancore, as it then stood, but not in the Capacity of Deewan as stated in the Petition while an Uncle of his named Comaren Tomby was Commander of the New Rajah's Troops.

That during that interval the said Eriven Tomby having in Conjunction with the aforesaid Comaren Tomby been guilty of Treason against their Sovereign they were both condemned to death, and accordingly beheaded at Trevandrum in the Year 1796 and that their property in consequence escheated to the State 1801 according to the Laws then existing and observed in Travancore.

That it is obvious from the above facts that the P^{te} statement that the property of his brother Eriven Tomby had been taken Charge of by the New Rajah in trust for him is entirely false.

Resident Office
Trevandrum
16th March 1836

Signe/ J. P. Fraser
Resident

That Memorialist begs respectfully to submit that his unfortunate Case was never fully decided upon in as much that the Statements put forth by J. P. Fraser were evidently not tested by the records, but the mere one sided report of the late Deewan of Travancore Krishna Rao, was relied upon, and in which

which the Govt. simply declared that it was matter which did not call for its interference - but at last the Govt. have been pleased to advise Memorialist to address the Honorable Court of Directors on the subject of his Claim.

Now Your Memorialist having on the 16th October 1854 and on the 21st July 1857 appealed to the Honorable the Court of Directors for that redress, to Cause the records to be searched for the Documents containing a narrative of the Circumstances connected with the Case, and for an order to the local Govt. for the restitution of the property claimed for, but nothing has been done for him by that authority, up to this date.

Your Memorialist further begs to refer here only to a few instances, to the Charitable Notice of your Lordship in Council, that the Honorable Court having filed the above mentioned General letter in their record, forwarded it to this local Govt. who despatched the same to the then President of Travancore, after having filed in their record.

The Memorialist obtained that Document from Colonel Newall then President of Travancore, but both the local Govt. and the President of Travancore, never took the trouble to understand the truth of the document by testing in their respective records, and to issue strict order to the Maharajah of Travancore for the restitution of the property.

Consequently since 28 Years the Memorialist and his large family containing 100 Souls suffer much without means of maintenance.

Thus

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Thus while the Memorialist is in the deepest sorrow without obtaining any Justice by the Honorable Company, he is now not only happy to hear the proclamation of the assumption of her most gracious Majesty, but also fully convinced that Justice will be equally awarded to the Hindus as well as others, and still more happy to see the sorrow caused by the late Government would last no longer.

That Your Memorialist feels himself greatly aggrieved by these great delays appeals therefore to your Lordship for the following reasons.

That your Lordship may be fully convinced of the fact of the statement of your Memorialist by testing and perusing the approved original General letter which is in the record of the Honorable Court.

In consequence of the excheated property by the Sirkar of Travancore, the above mentioned Endorse or letter of Colonel A. S. Fraser, will be fully proved.

Under these Circumstances your Memorialist has now no other alternative left than that of throwing himself upon the kind protection of your Lordship in Council, and of entreating that your Lordship will be graciously pleased to take his deplorable Case into your humane and benevolent

benevolent consideration to find out the
original General Letter that is among the
record of the Honorable Court / equivalent
to one mentioned in this Memorial /
and thereby issue order after being convinced
the fact of his Statement to the Court
of O. was for the restitution of the
property according to the List herein
annexed as early as possible.

And Your Memorialist will ever Pray

Madras
7th March 1859

சென்னை மாகாணம் அரசாங்கம்

To

The Right Honorable Sir Charles
Edward Trevelyan K. C. B.
Governor

The humble Memorial of Comaren
Tombu alias Tombu Shembazaramen
Comaren of Travancore

My Lords

That your Memorialist with the greatest
deference and respect takes the liberty to lay this his appeal before
your Lordships, and humbly implores that he will obtain that
redress at your hands which his deplorable Case deserves.

Prior to the year 1798 Pooya
Casava Doss the Grand Uncle of your Memorialist was Dewan
to the then Rajah of Travancore and while holding that
highly responsible and important Ministerial Office he
gained the full Confidence of both the Rajah and the repre-
sentative of the British Government and possessed their
joint respect and good will up to the date of the death
of the Rajah which occurred some time in the year 1798.

Upon the occurrence of this melancholy
event the care of the young Prince the late Rajah's son
devolved on Memorialist's Grand Uncle, Dewan Pooya
Casava Doss until the year 1799 when the affairs of the
young Rajah's Government were administered and managed
by the said Dewan in strict accordance with the terms
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of the Treaty of 1799 and the acknowledged custom of the Country about this time a fearful insurrection broke out in Travancore headed by Conjenculum Pillay the Lumpredy Valootombay Puthamanabai Shembazaramen and others finding Memorialist's Grand Uncle to be a great impediment to their unlawful and rebellious designs - they continued or planned the destruction of Rojya Sasara Doss whose life they were determined in having and eventually succeeded in their cruel purpose by having poison administered to him and for which crime and murder they were brought to public trial by the Resident but for want of conclusive and satisfactory evidence they were released and strange to say restored also to their situation.

In the year 1800 Colonel Maconnally the then Resident of Travancore found Memorialist's other Uncle named Comaran Tamby holding the appointment of Commander to the troops of the Rajah and your Memorialist's Brother named Erivin Tamby held the Office of Pashcar. - The Dewan of the Subkar at this eventful period of the history of Country was one Valootombay who was one of the leaders of the insurrection that broke out in 1799 and of whose detestable administration Colonel Maconnally had forwarded a full and lengthy report to the Gov^{ty}.

This crafty daring and heartless individual during the absence of the Resident of Travancore conspired to get up charges of high treason against Memorialist's Uncle - the abovesaid Comaran Tamby and your Memorialist's Brother -
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Erivin Tamby and they both were beheaded at midnight in the year 1801 and had the whole of their personal landed property as well as that belonging to Memorialist's Grand Uncle Rojya Sasara Doss escheated to the Sirkar.

Six Months subsequent to the perpetration of this Cruel and Cold blooded assassination a legal Court of Inquiry was instituted by Colonel Maconnally the result of which event proved that the murdered relatives of Memorialist were quite innocent of the crime of treason charged against them and condemned the parties guilty of the murder to sentence of death and the said Resident moved the Rajah to restore the escheated property to Memorialist's Mother and the other surviving Members of the family and in compliance with the desire of the Resident the Rajah ordered his Dewan to restore a portion of the Landed property to them for their maintenance and this mandate was duly obeyed by giving up to Memorialist's Mother and relatives, certain houses gardens and Cultivated lands still in their enjoyments and the Travancore Government further promised that the Residue of the property which consisted partly in Jewels partly in ready money partly in Brass and Copper Utensils wearing apparels &c were to be held in trust for Memorialist who was then an infant until he attained his Majority.

That your Memorialist on attaining his age in the year 1822 presented an application to the Sirkar and the then Resident of Travancore praying for the promised restitution of the property but Memorialist can assign no reasons nor were any given him for turning a deaf ear to his prayer.
Your Memorialist is led to believe that when

when the circumstances connected with the barbarous murders of your Memorialist's ancestors were brought to the notice of the Honorable Court through Colonel Maccanly then Resident of Travancore but your Memorialist in the year 1822 when he waited on the Colonel Newall then Resident of Travancore who favoured and guided with a copy of a letter of the Honorable Court of Directors that in the record of his Residents Office which is as follows

Extracts from a General letter from the Honorable Court of Directors dated 29th September 1809 given by the Lieutenant Colonel Newall Resident in Travancore to Gomanam Tomby alias Tomby Shembagaramen.

In the 7th Para

of the said General letter } The old Rajah was succeeded by his nephew a young man whose character seems ever since to have been marked by imbecility, Caprice and other qualities which show him to be wholly unequal to the task of Govt. The old and faithful Dewan of his Uncle was supplanted by low and vicious persons who soon gained an ascendancy over the Rajah and influenced the conduct of affairs. In 1799 an insurrection broke out in the District. In 1800 a babal headed by a person named the Sumpreddy seized the reins of Govt. Gross abuses prevailed in many of the Public Departments. Revenues were decreasing whilst the bulk of the people were in the lowest state of depression and another insurrection took place on account of oppression in some branches of the collections. The time of the Rajah is described to have been chiefly engrossed by his pleasures and by superstitious Ceremonies among the Bramins who with their dependants were reckoned to be equal in number to the working class. The late Dewan so much respected by the people was not suffered to live even in retirement.

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In 1801 the Rajah after repeated representations from the Resident of the disordered state of the Country and the necessity of resuming the management of affairs from those whom he had permitted to possess themselves of it appointed as new Dewan named Vallay Tomby. This person had been at the head of the insurrection of 1799 but being reputed a man of ability and firmness the Resident in the great want of persons of that description approved of his appointment and had reason to expect that he would be friendly to the Connection with the British Govt. His subsequent conduct however did not justify this expectation. The Resident after some absence from his station on returning to it in December 1801 found that all the relations of the old and respectable Dewan who himself had suffered a violent death had also been murdered and that Sumpreddy the former favourite had been disgraced and imprisoned by means of the new Dewan Vallay Tomby.

[Signed] Lieutenant Colonel Newall Resident

President Office 16th May 1822 } And at last year Memorialist submitted
Several Petitions to the Govt. of Madras on the subject of his claim
respectively in the year 1832 & 35 but on the 16th March 1836
he was favoured with an Endorsement wherein it was stated that a
strict enquiry had been made into his Case which established the
Circumstances entered in the Endorsement.

A True Copy

Memorandum

With reference to a Petition presented
by Comman Tamby to the Govt. of Port St. George under date
the 7th October 1835 the Resident of Travancore informs this
Individual that a strict enquiry into the Circumstances of his
Case has established the following facts

That the Petitioner's brother Criven Tamby
served the Travancore Govt. at one time as Pasheer and latterly
as Vullia Surwaddy or head Superintendent of the Departments
in the western Division Travancore as it then stood but not in
the Capacity of Dewan as stated in the Petition while an
Uncle of his married Comman Tamby was Commander of the then
Rajah's troops

That during that interval the said
Criven Tamby having in conjunction with the aforesaid Comman
Tamby been guilty of treason against their sovereign they were
both condemned to death and accordingly beheaded at
Travandrum in the year $\frac{996}{1801}$ and that their property in
consequence escheated to the state according to the laws then
existing and observed in Travancore

That it is obvious from the above facts
that the Petitioner's statement that the property of his brother Criven Tamby
had

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had been taken charge of by then Rajah in trust for him is
entirely false

Resident Office
Travandrum
16th March 1836

/Signed/ J. S. Fraser
Resident

That Memorialist begs respectfully
to submit that his unfortunate Case was never fully decided
upon in as much, that the statement put forth by J. S.
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one sided report of the late Dewan of Travancore.

Christiana Row was relieved upon and in which the Govt.
simply declared that it was matter which did not call for its
interference but at last the Govt. have been pleased to advise
Memorialist to address the Honorable Court of Directors on the
Subject of his claim

And your Memorialist having on the 16th
October 1834 and on the 21st July 1837 appealed to the
Honorable the Court of Directors for that redress to cause the records
to be searched for the Documents containing a narrative of the
Circumstances connected with the Case and for an order to the
local Govt. for the restitution of the property claimed for but
nothing has been done for him by that authority up to
this date

Your Memorialist further begs to refer here
only to a few instances to the charitable notice of your Lordship
in Council that the Honorable Court having filed the above-
mentioned General letter in their record forwarded it to the
local Govt. who despatched the same to the then Resident
of

of Travancore after having filed in their record.

The Memorialist obtained that documents from Colonel Newall then Resident of Travancore but both the local Govt. and the Resident of Travancore never took the trouble to understand the truth of the document by testing in their respective records and to issue strict to the Maharajah of Travancore for the restitution of the property.

Consequently since 28 years the Memorialist and his large family containing 40 souls suffer much without means of maintenance.

Thus while the Memorialist is in the deepest sorrow without obtaining any Justice by the Honorable Company he is now not only happy to hear the proclamation of the Assumption of her most gracious Majesty but also fully convinced that Justice will be equally Awarded to the Hindoos as well as others and still more happy to see the sorrow caused by the late Govt. would last no longer.

And with such intention your Memorialist having on the 7th March 1859 forwarded a Memorial to Right Honorable Lord Stanley Secretary of State for India through the Govt. as usual but he is unknown whether they forwarded it or not.

That your Memorialist feels himself greatly aggrieved by these great delays Appeals to your Lordship in Council for the following reason and with confident hope that his exertion will meet with the most perfect success through your Lordship's powerful protection.

That your Lordship may be fully convinced of the fact of the Statement of your Memorialist by testing and perusing the aforesaid Original General letter which is in the record of this Government.

And

And in consequence of the excheated property by the Sukar of Travancore the abovementioned Endorsed letter of Colonel J. S. Fraser will be fully proved.

Under these Circumstances your Memorialist has now no other alteration left than that of throwing himself upon the kind protection of your Lordship in Council and of entreating that your Lordship will be graciously pleased to take his deplorable Case into your humane and benevolent Consideration to find out the Original General letter that is among the record of this Govt. (equivalent to one mentioned in this Memorial) and thereby issue order after being convinced the fact of his statement to his Highness Maharajah of Travancore for the restitution of the property and to the end that he may be released from the Indigent Circumstances under which he now labours.

And your Memorialist
will ever Pray

Madras
19th April 1859

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Proof sent 1 July 1839

From Comarum Comby
alias Comby Chembaga
Comarum Comarum of Travancore
Dated 8

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result of his
Memorial to the
R. H. the Secy.
of State for India
which he submitted
on 7th March, 1839
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orders may be
passed in his
Case.

Poly. to Capt. 20 June 28.20
of 1839

c 15 June
1839

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To

The Right Honorable Sir Charles Edward
Thomley H. C. B. Governor of Madras

The humble Petition of Comarum Comby
alias Comby Chembagaramen Comarum
of Travancore

My Lord

That Prior to the year 1798 Raviya Basava
Doff the Grand Uncle of your Petr. was Dewan to the then Rajah of
Travancore, and while holding that Ministerial office, a fearful insur-
-rection broke out in Travancore, headed by Conjeevaram Pillay the
Sumpreddy, Valostamby, Puthmannan Chembagaramen and others,
combining and confederating, and killed the said Dewan by giving
him poison, and for which crime, they were brought to public trial
by the Resident, but for want of satisfactory Evidence, they were
released; and restored their situation.

That after the above Valostamby succeeded
to the room of the said Raviya Basava Doff, who was one of the
leaders of the insurrection, also beheaded the other Uncle of your
Petr. named Comarum Comby, who holding the appointment of
Commander to the troops of the Rajah, and your Petitioner's
Brother named Eriyan Comby, who held the office of Pashear
on

on which a legal Court of Inquiry was instituted by Colonel Moiraux and condemned the parties guilty of the murder to sentence of death, and moved the Rajah to restore the excheated property to your Pet^r Mother, so they gave up a certain Houses Gardens and Cultivated lands, and further promised ^{that} the residue of the property to the extent of 10 Lacs of Rupees will be restored after your Pet^r attained his majority, but they never did so.

And at last your Pet^r submitted several Petitions to the Government of Madras, respectively in the year 1832 & 35, but the Government have been pleased to advise Pet^r to address the Honourable Court of Directors, on the subject of his claim.

And your Pet^r having on the 16th October 1854 and on the 21st July 1857, appealed to the Honourable Court of Directors for that redress, but nothing has been done for him, by that authority up to this date.

And at last your Pet^r having on the 7th March 1859 also memorialised to the Right Honourable Lord Stanley Secretary of State for India, thro this Govt. as usual, but your Pet^r is unknown whether they forwarded the same or not.

And a fortnight ago your Pet^r Presented a Petition to your Lordship Praying that your Lordship will be pleased to settle the matter here touching the General letter of the

honourable Court which is now in the Record of this Govt. but to his great misfortune, nothing has been done for him. In this manner your Pet^r is waiting since 28 years and suffer much without means of maintenance, therefore your Pet^r humbly Prays your Lordship will be pleased to look that Petition and release him from the Indigent Circumstances which he labours.

Your Pet^r shall as in duty
bound ever Pray

Madras
8th May 1859

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Recd. by to Aug. 30th June 22nd 1859 -

Transferred to the
Chief Secretary
to Government.
By order

Lt. General
Private Secy

Guthrie
10 May 1859

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11/5/59 of 1859
From Pres of Govt of July.
Coamaren Comby,
alias Comby Shethi-
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manear, now in
Madras.

d 5th &
20th May 1859.

No. 117.

Adverting to his memo-
rial of the 7th March
last to the Secretary of State
for India on the subject
of the claim he has on the
Mannacore Gent. to certain
disheated property - prayer
that the matter may be
settled here with reference
to the Genl. letter of the
Comt of Directors on the
subject, & the petition
he addressed H.C. the Gov.

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6-5/59
The Right Honorable Sir Charles
Edward Greyson Bt. G. C. B.
Governor of Madras

Port. Dep't

Read the following
letter from Comdant
Jumby enclosing a
Memorial for trans-
mission to the R. A.
the Secy of State for
India -

Here enter No. 180.
Port. Dep't dated
14 March 1859 -

Read again the follo-
wing letter from the Resi-
dent at Travancore

Here enter No. 38.
Dated 29th April '59 -
& recorded in the Proceedings of 17th May 1859

Read also the follo-
wing letter from Comdant
Jumby.

Here enter No. 1411. &
1636 - of 1859 -

Order thereon 27th June 1859 No. 382.

1. Ordered that the
above Memorial received
from Comdant Jumby
and the Residents
letter be transmitted

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To the R.H. The Secy of
State for India with
reference to the corres-
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2. Ordered also that
intimation be given
to Secy as his ~~Memor~~
Memorial being des-
patched to its address.

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From Hon Court 2nd Feb'y 428th
June 1836 of 1836 - p.p. 14415
To do - 27 Feb'y 1835 p. 27
From do - 30 April 1836 of 1836
From do - 3 March 1837 of 1837
To do - 30 do - 1838 of 1838
From do - 31 Aug 1839 of 1839

Political Letter to Engd/30th June
No 20 of 1859.

Replied to by the Secy
of State for India 7th
Decr. 1859

Political Letter to England of 1st 27th May
No 13 of 1861
Replied to 16th July 1861

Pro of Govt. 17th July.
Political 1859 Sep 4th

No 382

Pro. of Government

2/27 June 59.

Feb 23 1861

Directing the
transmission to the Secy
of State for India the
Memorial of Commaran
Tomby alias Tomby
Shumbagaraman Commaran
praying for the destitution
to him of certain property
also the letter from the
Resident at Travancore.

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