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No. 16. Read the following letter from HOOSSAIN LOOTH FULLAH KHAN BAHADDOOR, Deputy Treasurer of His Highness the late Nabob; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated 11th July 1859.

RESPECTED SIR,

I beg your honor's permission to enclose herewith a Memorial to the authorities in England praying for the grant of a Pension upon the consideration of the services rendered by myself my Father, and Grand-Father. If the Government should be pleased to look favorably in my case, I beseech that orders may be at once issued for my admission into the Pension List, but if they still adhere to the interpretation put upon my case by the Chepauk Agent, I have only to pray that my Memorial may be sent to the Principal Secretary by the next Mail.

TO THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA, dated 11th July 1859.

The humble Memorial of Hoossain Looth
Fullah Khan Bahadoor, Deputy Treasurer in
the Service of His Highness the late Nawab of
the Carnatic.

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHEWTH,

That about two years ago the Supreme Government of India, desirous of being just and liberal towards the Servants and dependents of His Highness the late Nawab of the Carnatic, have been pleased to issue orders to the Government of Fort Saint George, to grant the benefit of Ancestral Service to such Servants as can prove their claims to it by the Sirkar Records, in fixing the amount of Pension to be allowed to them.

That agreeably to those orders the Government Agent at Chepauk, received instructions to enquire into the claims to hereditary service which might be preferred by the Servants of the Carnatic Sirkar, and to admit them to the rate of Pension to which they might be entitled under it and this was duly notified by the Agent to all the Servants.

That your Lordship's Memorialist accordingly applied to Doctor Balfour the Agent at Chepauk, and requested that he might be allowed the benefit of Ancestral Service, founding his claim on the joint Service of his Grand-Father, and himself, who had served the Nawab of the Carnatic with distinguished Zeal and fidelity for a period of 57 years, or more than half a Century. But the Agent has endorsed upon his Application to the following effect "Petitioner is the son of the Dewan, who is a Carnatic Stipendiary in receipt of full rate of Pension; Petitioner claims by right of his Grand-Father. Grand-Father died 27th October 1822, Petitioner entertained 1st February 1850, a difference of 28, on this ground claim not good, but where father is alive drawing Pension, claim not admissible." Thus by the above interpretation put by the Agent upon the orders of the Supreme Government, your Memorialist claim has been rejected, and he has been deprived of that benefit which the liberality of the Governor General in Council, intended to confer upon the faithful Servants and adherents of the late Nawab.

That your Lordship's Memorialist subsequently addressed the Right Honorable the late Governor in Council of Fort St. George, and represented the circumstances of his case, and was favoured with the following endorsement "Government concur with the Agent in considering that Ancestral Service cannot properly be counted in this case." This decision thus deprives your Memorialist of all hope of any provision from the Government, and as soon as the Receiver of the Carnatic Property takes charge of the remaining Articles, your Memorialist will be discharged from the Office which he now holds with only a gratuity, and he will then be obliged to seek other means of support which one in his position cannot easily obtain, above all he will be placed in such humiliating a position as to see himself treated in the manner here described, while the parties who served in the Office of which he was the head rewarded with suitable Pensions due to their service. Your Memorialist is therefore compelled to appeal to the generosity of your Lordship who is the dispenser of justice and happiness to the great population in India who are subjected to your rule, and to pray that your Lordship will give his case your

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favourable consideration and be graciously pleased to issue orders for the admission of your Memorialist to the established rate of Pension upon the consideration of the joint service of his Grand-Father, Father, and himself, amounting in all to a period of 57 years.

Your Memorialist earnestly trusts that your Lordship will not refuse to grant his prayer in consideration of the eminent services rendered to the Nawabs of the Carnatic by his Ancestors, one of whom holds the high and distinguished post of Dewan of the Durbar and for this act of justice your Memorialist will ever pray for the welfare and prosperity of your Lordship's Government.

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ORDER THEREON, 18th July 1859, No. 433.

Ordered, that the Memorial submitted with the foregoing address do lie on the table for the prescribed period of 20 days, and that it be then forwarded to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, with the opinion of Government that Ancestral Service cannot properly be counted in the case of the Memorialist.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Order thereon. 18 July 1859 - No. 433.

Ordered, that the Memorial submitted with the foregoing address do lie on the table for the prescribed period of 20 days, and that it be then forwarded to the Right Honorable the Secy. of State for India, with the opinion of Govt. that ancestral service cannot properly be counted in the case of the Memorialist.

