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Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 1—8- 1859

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No. 16. Read the following letter from J. BAILEY, Esq., Colonial Secretary at Columbo; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 14th July 1859, No. 43.

Having laid before the Governor and the Executive Council your letter of the 26th January last No. 74, I am directed to transmit to you copy of a letter and its enclosures received from the Auditor General here, and to acquaint you, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that they have approved of the scale of allowance proposed by that Officer to be granted to the Kandyan pensioners on the Continent of India, for the expenses of their obsequies, on the understanding that the practice of granting such allowances should wholly cease with the individuals named in the Nominal List forwarded by the Auditor General.

I am also to request that you will move the Honorable the Governor in Council, to give directions that this Government may be furnished with descriptive returns of Kandyan pensioners, according to the annexed form, as suggested by the Auditor General.

From T. SKINNER, Esq., Acting Auditor General; to the Colonial Secretary, dated Colombo 18th June 1859, No. 290.

Having with reference to your letter No. 224 of the 1st April last, (the enclosures of which are returned) conferred with the Government Agent of the Central Province, in regard to the Kandyan Pensioners on the Continent of India, the expenses of whose obsequies should be borne by this Colony. I have the honor to submit for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council, a nominal list of those relatives &c., of the late Ex-king of Kandy to whom, in our opinion, this consideration should extended, and opposite to whose respectives names is stated the maximum amount, which, in our opinion, should be granted.

In recommending this liberal scale, we beg leave to suggest that the practice of granting such Allowances should wholly cease with the individuals we have named.

I beg to bring to the notice of the Governor and the Executive Council the very imperfect record (so far as I can learn) we possess of the description of many of the pensioners enumerated in the list forwarded by the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, with his letter No. 74, of the 26th January last.

In the records to which I have found access, even the names of the pensioners in many cases are wanting, while, from the documents I have seen, I doubt if after laborious search through the archives of the Colony, much satisfactory information would be obtained on the subject.

I am reluctant to suggest that any unnecessary trouble should be imposed on the Officers of the districts on the Continent of India in which the pensioners are located, but deem it very desirable that Descriptive returns of the annexed forms should be in the possession of the Collectors of Districts, as well as of this Government, I therefore beg to suggest that the Right Honorable the Governor of Madras be requested to allow such to be prepared, and forwarded to this Government.

Nominal List of Kandyan Pensioners in the Madras Presidency for the expenses of whose Obsequies an Allowance should be granted by the Ceylon Government.

		Stipend. Rs.	A.	P.	Proposed Allowance to defray the expenses of obsequies. £.
Ex-Queen 3rd	Moodoo Cummunnummah	80	0	0	150
„ 1st	Runga Naike Ummaul	99	8	0	
„ 4th	Chinna Samnoodoo Ummaul	85	0	0	
Daughter of do	Nautcharummah	50	0	0	50
5th Brother	Iyasawmy Rajah	43	12	0	
6th do	Ramasawmy Rajah	44	7	0	
Grandson of King's Brother	Vencatasawmy Rajah	58	5	4	
Adopted Son of the 2nd Queen	Soobbha Narramdrata Rajah	66	5	4	
Sister of the 3rd and 4th Queens	Chockavy Ummaul	7	0	0	20
„ „	Lutchmidavy Ummah	7	0	0	
Nephew	Cunnasawmy Naik	34	12	6	20
„	Comarasawmy Naik	29	1	6	
„	Soobaroyloo Raba	43	12	0	
„	Dorasawmy Rajah	21	14	0	
„	Comorasawmy Rajah	43	12	0	
„	Vencata Soobbasawmy	13	10	2	
„	Dorasawmy Rajah	105	0	0	
„	Rungasawmy Rajah	28	0	0	
Niece	Coomarummaul	15	7	4	
„	Ummathulla Ummaul	11	0	0	

(Signed) T. SKINNER,

(True Copies.)

(Signed) JAMES SWAN,

Descriptive returns of Kandyan Pensioners of the Ceylon Government in the District of.

Name.	Age.	Relationship with the late Ex-King.	Whether originally departed from Ceylon or taken on the Pension List at a later date.	If taken on in India the date of authority for Pension.	Amount of Pension granted.	Remarks.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 1st August 1859, No. 464.

Ex. Mins. Cons. 23rd June 1858, *No.* 395.
From Civil Auditor 7th January 1859, *No.* 10.
Ex. Mins. Cons. dated 26th Many. 1859, *No.* 73.
To Ceylon Govt. „ „ „ „ „ 74.

Ordered, that the above letter and its enclosures be communicated to the Accountant General, and also to the Civil Auditor for information and guidance, in reference to the correspondence noted in the margin.

2. Twenty copies of the foregoing papers will be forwarded to the Civil Auditor for communication to the several Officers paying Kandyan pensions, with directions to furnish descriptive returns of all the Pensioners according to the form required by the Ceylon Government.

3. The attention of disbursing Officers should at the same time be drawn to the nominal list of pensioners for whose funeral expenses a scale of allowance has been laid down for their guidance; and they should be required to make it known that the practice of granting such Allowances will *wholly cease with the individuals named in the list.* Payments on the above account need not be reported for the special sanction or information of this Government; but the authority of the Ceylon Government should invariably be quoted in support of them.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. P. W. Begbie.

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To the Acctt General & Civil Auditor &c &c &c

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Communicating to the accountant General and also to the Civil Auditor forms for calculating and guiding the letter from the Colonial Secy. Colombo & its enclosures respecting allowances for the future & all expenses of Kandian pensioners - forwarding 95 Copies of these papers to the Civil Auditor for communication to the several officers paying Kandyan pensioners with directions to furnish descriptive Returns of all

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