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No. 60. Read the following letter from Mr. GEORGE O. VAN SPALL; to the Chief Secretary to Government of Madras, dated Tellicherry, 9th March 1862.

Pursuant to an Order from the Right Honorable Sir C. Wood, Bart., Secretary of State for India, in No. 28, dated 2nd July 1861, that all representations are to be forwarded through the local Governments, I beg leave to forward herein an address, in triplicate, humbly requesting to obtain the permission of His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, for its transmission.

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To the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India, London.

Honorable Sir,

As a last resource, I beg most humbly to throw myself to your Excellency's commisseration, humbly imploring your Excellency will condescend to obtain for me Her Most Gracious Majesty's merciful Order on the subject of my painful appeal.

I am the grand-son of the late Dutch Governor and Commodore J. L. Van Spall, on whose death, soon after Cochin and its dependencies in the Malabar Coast, were ceded to Her Great Brittanic Majesty's Government, his children, 12 in number, amongst whom my father F. C. Van Spall was one, were provided and protected with a pension, not for services rendered, but in consideration of their family circumstances, and the helpless state they were reduced in a British Settlement, *from a change of Government*. On the death of my father, I was a minor, and after acquiring a knowledge of English and Vernacular languages, volunteered for some time Government Offices, and got admittance, but for want of interest I am now unemployed. I enclose copies of testimonials to prove the above assertion. I am now left in a very distressed position. I have applied to the Madras Government, and to the Supreme Government of India, to continue my father's pension, on the same understanding it was originally granted to him. Copies of my last application, and the reply received are herewith enclosed, soliciting your Excellency will graciously take into consideration my just claim, pursuant to the Treaty of Capitulation concluded between Her Great Britannic Majesty's Government, with the King of Holland, and generously allow me the scanty support, on the same ground it was granted to my late father. I need not detail my grand-father's family circumstances, which gives me claim of no ordinary character. His death in India, has, to this moment, left his considerable property unrecovered and had not that support been extended towards his children, individually, by the liberal British Government, they would have perished for want of common necessaries of life. This will, I fear, be my fate, if I am left unsupported and un-assisted, and I repeat, that, I throw myself to your footstool with anxious expectation, that my misery will be alleviated, on receiving your Excellency's merciful decision.

With humble prayer for your Excellency's long life, and happiness.

MALABAR COAST, TELLICHERRY,
*6th March* 1862. (Signed) GEORGE O. VAN SPALL.

P. S.—The special reasons assigned in my last application to the Governor General, is omitted in this, and request that they may be considered along with this appeal.

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No 690 of 1862.

The Memorial enclosed in the foregoing Petition will be transmitted for the consideration of the Secretary of State for India.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, (By order.)
19*th March* 1862. (Signed) W. S. WHITESIDE,
*Actg. Depy. Secy. to Government.*

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No. 61. ORDER THEREON, 28th March 1862, No. 125.

Resolved, that the Memorial and its enclosures submitted with the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
*Chief Secretary.*

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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Memorial may be
forwarded to England

No 125 - 28th March 1862

Resolved, that the Memorial & its enclosures submitted with the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Right Hobble the Secy: of State for India.

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Sid of 11 April.

No. 690 of 1862.

The Memorial enclosed in the foregoing Petition will be transmitted for the consideration of the Secretary of state for India.

Fort St. George 19th March 1862.

By Order

W. H. Mitchell

Ag. Dy. Secy. to Govt.

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No 690 of 1862.

From W. George O. Van Spall of Tellicherry Malabar -

Dated 4th Rec'd 14th } March 62

Memorl in triplicate with 3 enclosures in each -

No 123.

Submits in triplicate a memorial addressed to the Secretary of State appealing against the orders of this Govt. declining to continue to Petitioner the Stipend enjoyed by his late Father as son of the last Dutch Governor of Cochin -

Prays that the Memorial

With an Order