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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT

G.O. No. 378 Press Mis.

Dated 19 - 12 - 28 19/2/29

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No. 30 Read the following:—

To the Right Honorable Sir W. T. DENISON, K. C. B.,
Governor in Council, Fort Saint George,
&c., &c., &c., &c.

The humbly Petition of AMEER NAWAZ JUNG BAHADOOR, late Deputy Superintendent of His late Highness' Gardens at Madras.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

That after the death of the late Nabob Government were pleased by the Order as per margin,* to allow the services of ancestors to be reckoned with the services of such servants whose services were in themselves sufficient to enable them to a pension, so that it was with a desire to act with liberality and to prevent the extinction of the Nabobship, pressing hard upon the late Nabob's servants and retainers.

* 1856, 26th November, No. 45, from Mr. H. Forbes.
,, 1st December, ,, 473, to Government of India.
1857, 12th January ,, 6291, from do. do.
,, E. M. C., 19th March, No. 230, paragraph 11.
,, Do. 23rd July, ,, 567, paragraphs 4 & 5.

Agreeably to those orders petitioner applied to the Agency for a pension in October 1857, marked A basing it on his deceased grandfather's service; but Dr. Balfour finding his claim to be indisputable and instead of dealing with it on its merits irrespective of the condition of applicant's relatives rejected it, on the plea that applicant's father was on the receipt of a full rate service pension; but as your Excellency will observe admitted that under G. O., No. 975 of 1857, paragraph 3, he "can submit his claim after his father's demise."

The present Government Agent having advertised in the Fort Saint George Gazette in all languages to the effect that no claims for pension, &c., will be admitted after the 14th March 1862, petitioner presented a petition prior to that date, No. 461, and on the 18th July 1863 received the following endorsement:—"Inadmissible under G. O., 4th November 1859, No. 644, paragraph 2."

On its receipt petitioner re-capitulated the subject, dated 19th August 1863, praying for a re-consideration of his case, especially as his father who was on the receipt of 300 Rupees a month was now dead; but he received a reply, No. 653 of 1863, to which your Excellency's petitioner humbly begs to draw attention.

In the first paragraph of that endorsement, No. 653 of 1863, it is mentioned, that the present Government Agent's advertisement "did not re-open all the claims which had been already preferred, considered and settled," petitioner here deferentially begs to state that his claim for pension presented in 1857, was neither considered into nor settled, for had it been considered on its merits, petitioner would now be on the receipt of a pension, and it is clear that it was not settled because Dr. Balfour himself endorses it, No. 2914, that petitioner can apply after his father's demise.

In the second paragraph Major Wilson affirms that petitioner's claim for pension in right of hereditary service "was considered and rejected," and it must therefore be considered "final." Reading Dr. Balfour's endorsement on petition No. 2914, it is evident that petitioner's right for pension was not disputed, neither can it be considered "final," because Dr. Balfour left it open to applicant to apply after his father's demise.

The third paragraph again refers petitioner to the same endorsement as upon No. 461, thereby intimating that his claim is inadmissible under G. O., 4th November 1859, paragraph 2, No. 644. To this petitioner most humbly begs to remark that this order and paragraph of Government does in no way refer to applicant, first, because he is not a new applicant; secondly, he does not now claim pension in right of his deceased father who was a pensioner of 1855, but that of his deceased grandfather who died in the life-time of the Nabob; thirdly, because the Orders of Government, herein quoted, sanction and are definite on such claims; and lastly, because petitioner is of opinion that the endorsement of the last Government Agent must be upheld, but that order bears only upon the claims of servants whose own service is insufficient, and whose

fathers and grandfathers being pensioners of 1855 are still alive, apply for pension in the event of either of their deaths, occurring subsequent to that date.

As applicant comes under the Orders of Government, dated 18th November 1857, and had applied in that year, but the merits of whose case were not then taken into consideration, he humbly implores to submit his case for the kind and favorable consideration of Government.

For which act of kindness petitioner shall as in duty bound ever pray.

MADRAS, *17th November* 1863.

No. 87. ORDER THEREON, 19th December 1863, No. 378.

The foregoing petition will be referred to the Government Agent at Chepauk, who will inquire into the petitioner's claim and make a full report on it.

2. The Governor in Council observes that many of the endorsements given by Major Wilson to petitioner are dated twelve or eighteen months subsequent to the date of the petitions. The Government desire to be informed of the cause of this delay, and of the present state of the Agent's file.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. McMootry.

Order thereon

The foregoing Petition will be forwarded to the Chepauk Agent for inquiry & early report. It appears from the Endorsements given to the Petitioner by Mr. Belfour in Jany/58 that Petitioner's claim to pension was admitted by that Officer but that his father having been already pensioned for service he was told under the Govt. order of 18th Novr. 1857 No. 935 to submit his claim after his father's demise. It would have been more in accordance with the directions of that order if Mr. Belfour had inquired into the claim, prior to demise of pensioner, & informed Petitioner, & informed him that he should receive it

from the date on which pension should cease to be paid to his father, but the Agent is not doing this was no fault of Petitioner's

It is evident that he made his claim in good time & that Major Vidal's endorsement in July last rejecting it is under date 6 of 4th November 1859 & therefore erroneous. Neither the claimant nor Major Vidal

The endorsements given Petitioner by Major Vidal in July & August last appear to the first & the 4th incorrect & contradictory, Petitioner's claim being first rejected because made too late, & afterwards stated to have been considered & settled in 1857, whereas as proved above, Petitioner despaired on endorsement from & home by Dr. Belfour in Jan. 1858 saying that his claim should be submitted after his father's decease.

The Government have received a number of Petitions during the last few months enclosing Endorsements given by Major Wilson recommending that the Petitions had been presented to him, the majority of the Endorsements as has been pointed out to the Agent erroneously rejecting the claims as "too late" under G. O. of Oct. 4th 1853.

The Govt. desire to be informed what led to the great delay in making these replies, & also what is the state of the Agent's Petitions file at present.

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Political Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Petition from Ameer Nawaz Jung Bahadur, late Superintendent of His late Highness's gardens at Madras

(Date entered 17th November 1863)

Order thereon 19 December 1863 No 370

The foregoing Petition will be referred to the Government Agent at Chelpauk, who will enquire into the Petitioners claim and make a full report on it.

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To
The Government Agent at Chelpauk
with long enclosures

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No 370
Proceedings of Govt

Read 19 December 1863

Petition of Ameer Nawaz Jung Bahadur late Superintendent of His late Highness's Gardens at Madras praying for the payment of certain sums due to him for services rendered to His late Highness

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