Political (1896) Department.

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ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 511

Dated 8th Aug: 1896

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[Despatch Abstract.]

PETITION.

Referring Muazzam-un-nisa Begam, daughter of the late Ghulam Husain, Khan Bahadur, to G.O. No. 356, Political, dated 5th June 1896, declining to grant her a share out of certain stipends and stating that that order is final.

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To,
His Excellency Sir Elibank Havelock K.C.M.G. C.B.
Governor in Council
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The humble petition of Moazzamun Nisa Begum daughter of the late Ghoolam Hoosine Khan Bahadoor Great-grandson of Nawab Wallajah, Carnatic Stipendiary
N°s 341-A & 348-D.
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Most Humbly Sheweth:-

That your petitioner's great-grand-father Abdool Gaffar Khan Bahadoor, was one of the Nicka sons of His Highness the Nawab Wallajah, and as such, had conferred on him by Govt, a stipend of Rs 10000/- per Annum.

2. On his demise in the year 1814, the whole of that stipend was, on the recommendation of His Highness the Nawab Azeemood Dowlah Bahadoor, bestowed on his son Ghoolam Moortoza Khan Bahadoor, the grand-father of your petitioner. This recommendation was complied with by the British Government on account of the important services rendered by the said Abdool Gaffar Khan, on two very particular occasions.

First. — He was the principal party engaged in bringing about the Treaty of 1801 between the late Honble East India Company and His Highness the Nawab Azeemood Dowlah Bahadoor agreeably to the wishes of Government.

Second. — He it was who caused the stipends of the Carnatic pensioners to be fixed, whereby a very large saving amounting to several lakhs of Rupees per annum was effected by Government.

3. The abovementioned pension of Rs 10,000/- per annum, or Rs 833 per mensem was continued to be enjoyed by the grand-father of petitioner until 1851, when owing to family dispute, the stipend was divided, Rs 417 having been conferred on Ghoolam Moortooza Khan Bahadoor, Rs 208 to Padsha Begum, (his mother), and Rs 208 (his nephews), each Rs 104, making a total of Rs 833 per mensem, or Rs 10,000/- per Annum.

4. In the year 1862, the petitioners grand father demised, when his pension of Rs 417 and that of his mother Rs 208 (para 3 supra), an aggregate sum of Rs 625 per mensem was withheld from the Service men

* Vide letter from the Lt Hon'ble the Governor & 30th Augt 1814.

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⊕ Extract minutes of Consultation, N° 431 dated 11th Nov 1851 para 3.

+ Ghoolam Moortoza Khan Bahadoor

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members of the family; and not only so, but the pensions of the nephews of the petitioner's grand-father were also discontinued, and thus the entire amount of the pensions of Rs 833 per mensem, or about Rs 10,000/- per annum, was resumed by Government with the exception noted below.

9 5. That your petitioner's father Gholam Hoosine (Hussain) Khan Bahadoor was in the enjoyment of two stipends, one of Rs 69-8-0 per mensem in right of his father,* and the other of Rs 30-0-0 per mensem in right of his mother;⊕ while petitioner's two paternal aunts enjoyed similar amounts on the strength of the said Proceedings of Government, (the whole about Rs 189) being about one-fifth of the original pension of Rs 833 which the petitioner's grand-father enjoyed.

Vide Gos. Nos. 176 & 210 dated 7th August 1868 and 17th June 1869

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⊕ G.O. No 293 dated 30th April 1884.

6. That great injustice has been done by Govt. to petitioner, your Excellency in Council will clearly perceive from the following considerations:—

(a) In Article V of the Treaty of 1801 it is recited as follows:— "It is hereby stipulated and agreed that "one-fifth part of the net revenues of the Carnatic "shall be annually allotted for the maintenance and "support of the said Nawab and of his own immediate "family". Your Excellency will be pleased to observe,

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(1) that not only has the net revenue of the Carnatic been gradually enhanced, but also from the numerous lapses of the stipends of the Carnatic pensioners, a very large amount has reverted to Government, so much so, that very little of the one-fifth part "stipulated and agreed" upon is now being given to the family of the Nawab!

(2) that the petitioner as well as her grand-father and father is of His Highness the Nawab Wallajah's "own immediate family", and

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(3) that to withhold from her the stipend justly and equitably due to her, will doubtless prove to your Excellency to be an act of injustice and violation of the terms of the Treaty quoted above.

(b) Lord Clive, in his Minute* of the 29 Sept. 1801 in his concluding paragraph, states thus, "The nature of the present arrangement is "calculated to secure a gradual diminution "of this expenditure". But the almost entire resumption of the pensions of her grand-father and father, and not a pie to the petitioner cannot with any propriety be styled "a "gradual diminution".

*: para 3.

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(c) Were any further argument needed your petitioner would refer to the Despatch of the late Hon'ble the Court of Directors of the 11th March 1846, in which it is distinctly and clearly laid down that "a gradual reduction "should be made, that is to say, that the "personal expenses of the deceased stipendiary "should be only deducted".

(d) Your petitioner would further refer to another Despatch of the 22nd May 1850, in which the Hon'ble Government reiterate their previous order to the effect that "We are of opinion, however, "that the rule ought not to be that of "reduction by thirds on successive lapses, since "as we have repeatedly remarked that such "a rule is liable to interfere with the interests "of persons receiving and entitled to receive, "support from the stipend".

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7. Just and equitable as the principles above enunciated are, your Excellency's petitioner humbly submits that they have been altogether ignored to the prejudice of her interest. As already stated, far from any "gradual reduction" being made, your Excellency's unfortunate petitioner and her mother have been thrown into the most abject and destitute circumstances although they are not collaterals, or dependents of His Highness the Nawab Wallajah, but direct* lineal descendants of His Highness. The petitioner is the fourth in direct descent, and yet has been denied the pension fairly due to her whilst the stipend of her own paternal aunt Malikun Nisa Begum has been recently ordered to be continued after her demise, although she

* G.O. No 3058 [illegible] 1864

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to children (Vide G.O. No 150 Political 8th March 1894 and Nos 98 and 170 Political dated 8 Feby and 9th March 1896) in the face of G.O. No 176 Political dated 7th August 1868 limiting the stipend for her life only.

8. On the petitioner's step-brother Mahomed Ali was conferred a stipend of Rs 51-"-" in G.O. No 707 of 2 December 1891, and his stipend* has since been declared continuable, and not even a fraction of this on the petitioner or her mother. The state of their feelings can better be imagined than described. It may not be out of place to mention here though about 4 years have elapsed since the Paymaster is said to have paid the bonuses of your petitioner and her mother and her deceased sister, to the said Mahomed Ali, the latter never paid the amount to them. (Vide Exhibits E & F in her mother's petition dated 30 March 1896) or made provision for the marriage expenses, and as for dragging him to Court of Law and recovering the money thus misappropriated by him as suggested⊕, the petitioner's disadvantageous position as a gosha lady of noble-birth and high connection disables her!

* Vide G.O. No 150 Political dated 6th March 1894 and Nos 98 & 170 Political dated 8 Feby and 9th March 96 in the face of G.O. No 176 Political 8 7th Augt 1868 limiting the stipend of his father for his life only.

⊕ in G.O. No 356 dated 5th June 1896

9. Once more your Excellency's humble petitioner respectfully submits that your petitioner and her mother are members of the Wallajah family who have ever been faithful allies of the British Govt, and according to the Treaty of 1801, to Lord Clive's minute, and the Court of Director's Despatch of 22nd May [illegible] believe themselves to be equitably and justly entitled to the kind and generous consideration of Government, and they pray therefore that your Excellency in Council will be graciously pleased to pass an order directing that a due proportion of the stipends of your petitioner's father and grandmother may be bestowed on them or that after deducting from her father's stipends, the amount of Rs 51/- per mensem allotted to her step-brother Mahomed Ali, the balance of Rs 44-8-" at least may be apportioned to her and her mother.

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Endt No. 1396.

From

Moazzamun Nisa Begam

Madras.

Referred to the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, for complete report on the latter part of para 7 of the petition

Hedrick Rice

Chief Secretary

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14.7.96.

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TO BE RETURNED WITH REPLY.

CURRENT No. 983

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Political (1896) Department.

From

The Paymaster
Carnatic Stipends
Chepauk.

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George.

Dated 22d July 1896.
Recd 23rd 24th

UNDER SECRETARY
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POLITICAL DEPT.

No: 300 of 1896

Enclosure one. (C.No: 915)

Reports on the petition of Nuzzam-
-un-nisa Begum as called for by
Government Endorsement No: 1396
dated 15th July 1896.

CURRENT No. 915

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No: 300 of 1896.

Paymaster Carnatic Stipends
Office Chepak 22d July 1896.

From

Colonel H. D. Stewart I. S. C:
Paymaster Carnatic Stipends
Chepak.

To,

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir,

In reply to your Endorsement No: 1396 dated 16
Instant, on petition Current No 915 from Munazzam-un-
-nisa Begam, I have the honor to report, that petitioner's
statement that She is neither a collateral nor a depend-
-ant but is 4 degrees in direct descent from Nawab Walajah
true as She is a "nikahi" daughter of Ghulam Husain,
"Shadi" Son of Ghulam Murtuza Khan, "Shadi" Son of
abdul Ghaffar Khan, one of the 10 "nikahi" Sons of Nawab
Walajah. But her assertion "yet has been denied the
pension fairly due to her" is utterly false, as on the demise
of her father Ghulam Husain his family was liberally
treated and the petitioner, her Sister and mother as his
daughters and widow respectively of the late Ghulam H
received a share of Rs 5-1-9. each in the distribution of
two-thirds of the deceased's lapsed pension - vide G:O:
707 dated 2d December 1891 "Political" which was
-talized and paid in lump sums to them in April
in accordance with clause (b) para I of G:O: No. 359 d
22d May 1885 "Political".

* Herewith returned.

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2. Malik-un-nisa Begam is own sister
the late Ghulam Husain and her Stipend of Rs

her mensem which she draws in right of her father by G.O. No 176 dated 7th August 1868, was originally returned by the late Colonel Baynes as "continuable" along with her brother in appendix E to G.O. No: 359 dated 22nd May 1885 "Political", hence her name appears in the revised lists appended [to] G.O. No 150 dated 6th March 1894 "Political" as con=[tin]uable, and further, the request of Malik-un-nisa [Beg]am as regards the disposal of her above stipend after [her] demise was recorded in para I of G.O. No: 387 dated [...] June 1894 "Political". - "Petitioner's argument as regard Malik-un-nisa Begam's stipend is not apparent, as the stipends of both Ghulam Husain and Malik-un-nisa Begam were returned continuable in 1855 lists. ~ Petitioner's mother submitted a similar appeal in ~ March last, which was disposed of by G.O. No 356 dated [..]th June 1896 "Political" -

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I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient servant

A. S. Stewart Colonel
Paymaster Carnatic Stipends
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From,
Anvarun Nisa Begum
Second widow of the late
Ghulam Hossine Khan Bahadur,
Great Grandson of Nawab
Wallajah of Carnatic

To,
His Excellency Sir E. Havelock G.C.[M.G.]
G.C.I.E.
Governor & President in Council
Fort Saint George.

Dated 16th July } 1896
Recd } 28-7-96
Regd }

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Duplicate

Stating that as per G.O. No 359 d 22 May [1885] a moiety of her husband's stipend should have been conferred on her, praying that after deducting the amount of Rs 51/- allotted to her step-son Mahomed Ali, the balance Rs 44-8- may be apportioned to her & her daughter; requesting to direct the Paymaster to disburse the amount as per bond taken from Mahomed [Ali] or permit their Authorised Agent to conduct the case for the fraud committed, or a disinterested party appointed to investigate the whole truth and do justice in the circumstances stated.

Note Papers re this woman's case [...] Cur. 9915 + 9831 [...]

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To

HIS EXCELLENCY

SIR ARTHUR ELIBANK HAVELOCK, G. C. M. G., K. G. C.,

GOVERNOR & PRESIDENT IN COUNCIL,

FORT SAINT GEORGE.

The humble Memorial of ANWARUN NISA BEGUM, *Second widow of the late* GHULAM HOOSINE KHAN BAHADUR, *great-grandson of Nawab Wallajah, Carnatic Stipendiary No. 341-A and* 348-D, 1-A

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH,

1. That Ghulam Hoosine Khan Bahadur, your Memorialist's husband, died in October 1891, leaving his first* wife and a son by her; and his second† wife, (your Memorialist), and two daughters by her, as shown in the margin.

*1. *Ammatul Aziz Katija Begum, 1st wife.*
2. Muhammad Ali, son.
†3. *Anwarun Nisa Begum, 2nd wife.*
4. Muazamun Nisa Begum, daughter.
& 5. Muazazun Nisa Begum, daughter.

2. That your Memorialist's husband, though a very close relative and the 3rd in descent from Nawab Wallajah, as briefly exemplified in the margin, was in receipt of a stipend of Rs. 99-8-0* per mensem, from the office of the Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends.

* *Nawab Wallajah of Carnatic.*
1. Sabbith Jung (1st grantee).
2. Ghulam Murtuza Khan Bahadur (2nd grantee.)
*3. Ghulam Hoosine Khan Bahadur (3rd grantee.)

* Rs. 69 8 0 from his father.
„ 30 0 0 do. mother.
Total Rs. 99 8 0

3. That after his demise on 29th October 1891, all the surviving members of the family named in para. 1, lived together, allowing matters to be managed by Muhammad Ali, the only son and male member of the deceased. While so living, your Excellency's Memorialist perceived certain irregularities which will be found detailed below in paras. 11 *et seq.*

4. That on the death of your Memorialist's husband, one-third of the stipend mentioned in para. 2, lapsed to Government, and as the *first widow had previously relinquished her right to any part of the stipend, she being already in receipt of a pension of Rs. 32* (*vide* her petition submitted to Government, dated 23rd November 1891, the available sum of (Rs. 66-5-3) had to be distributed between your Memorialist and her two daughters and Mahomed Ali, in accordance with precedents shown below, namely, a monthly

* With Paymaster's letter No. 861 of 1891.

stipend of Rs. 13-4-3 to your Memorialist and her two daughters each, or, in the aggregate, Rs. 39-12-9; the balance of Rs. 26-8-6 being awardable to Mahammad Ali, the son by the first wife.

PRECEDENTS.

Serial No.	Name of Stipendiary.	No. of Stipendiary.	Amount of Stipend.	Whether Shadi or Nikha.	Remarks.
			Rs. A. P.		
1	Ghulam Abdul Qadir	551-A	45 0 0	Nikha son.	Family of Ansarulla Khan Bahadur.
2	Ghausi Begum	551-B	22 8 0	Do. daughter.	
3	Mahmud Hoosine	550-D	35 0 0	Do. son.	Children of Ameerud Dowlah Bahadur.
4	Faizun Nisa	550-E	17 8 0	Do daughter.	
5	Muhamed Nasirudin	550-G	25 0 0	Concubine son.	
6	Muhamed Qadir Hoosine ...	550-H	25 0 0	Do.	
7	Inayatun Nisa Begum	1312-A	16 0 0	Shadi widow.	
8	Abdul Vahed Sahib	1312-B	32 0 0	Do. son.	
9	Habibun Nisa Begum	1312-C	16 0 0	Do. daughter.	
10	Abdul Hafiz Sahib	1312-E	16 0 0	Nikha son.	
11	Shah Begum	1312-G	8 0 0	Do. daughter.	
12	Muhamed Khairulla Sahib ...	1312-I	16 0 0	Do. son.	
13	Do. Sarvar Ali Sahib ...	1312-J	16 0 0	Do. do.	Family of Munirud Dowlah Bahadur.
14	Do. Fiaz Husain Sahib ...	1312-K	16 0 0	Do. do.	
15	Abdul Husain Sahib	1312-N	16 0 0	Do. do.	
16	Ghulam Muhiadeen Sahib ...	1312-O	16 0 0	Do. do.	
17	Do. Safiullah Sahib ...	1312-P	16 0 0	Do. do.	
18	Do. Rahmatulla Sahib ...	1312-Q	16 0 0	Do. do	
19	Do. Abdul Ghaffar Sahib ...	1312-R	16 0 0	Do. do.	
20	Yasin Begum	1312-S	8 0 0	Do. daughter.	
21	Farhat Bi	1312-T	8 0 0	Do. widow	
22	Karim Bi...	1312-U	8 0 0	Do. do.	

A similarly equitable distribution was made among the families of Itabarud Dowlah Bahadur, Turab Ali Khan Bahadur, Tahoor Jung Bahadur and Samsamud Dowlah Bahadur and the many others quoted in Government Order, Political, No. ~~357~~ 359, dated 22nd May 1885, Nos. 5 and 6 in the above table, though the children of concubine of the late Ameerud Dowlah Bahadur, were given only Rs. 10 less than No. 3, the nikha son of the said Ameerud Dowlah Bahadur.

5. That instead of a distribution being made as indicated above, in your Memorialist's family, the Paymaster, proposed to Government an allowance of Rs. 5-1-9 only to be granted to your Memorialist and each of her daughters or, in the aggregate, Rs. 15-5-3, and the balance, Rs. 51, to be given to the surviving son, Muhamed Ali, although your Memorialist was, like his mother, a nicka wife of her deceased husband whose nicka was performed at Mecca while that of your Memorialist was celebrated in Madras, a fact which is well-known and can be easily proved. The paymaster's proposal alluded to above, was approved by Government *as a temporary arrangement* in G. O. No. 707, dated 2nd December 1891.

6. That your Memorialist in this connection begs respectfully to submit that it is difficult to understand how the Paymaster felt himself justified in proposing the *foregoing small stipends for your Memorialist and her daughters*, an allowance, which when compared with those sanctioned in the cases cited in para. 4, exhibits that a very invidious distinction has been made between your Memorialist's family and the other families referred to, who though possessing

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the same degree of relationship, have been awarded more liberal proportions from the stipends of the deceased members. It is therefore respectfully submitted that the circumstances of the award made in your Memorialist's family call for some modification of the *stipends granted to them in 1891.*

7. That in order to illustrate the justice of her remark, your Memorialist begs further to invite attention to the marginal schedule which exhibits at a glance the several stipends which were paid to the descendants of the several sons and daughters of Nawab Wallajah, including your Memorialist's husband.

Serial No.	Names of original grantees.	Amount of original grant.	Amount of second grant.	Amount of third grant.	Remarks.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
1	Dilawar Jung, son of Wallajah.	833 0 0	833 0 0	600 0 0	
2	Sabbith Jung Do.	833 0 0	833 0 0	139 0 0 *	* Memorialist's husband Rs. 69-8-0, his two sisters Rs. 34-12-0. each Rs. 69-8-0. Total Rs. 139-0-0.
3	Abdul Hamid Khan Do.	833 0 0	833 0 0	600 0 0	
4	Razia Begum daughter of Do.	416 0 0	416 0 0	356 0 0	
5	Rabia Begum Do.	416 0 0	416 0 0	320 0 0	
6	Fazilatun Nisa Begum Do.	416 0 0	250 0 0 r	... ...	r Had no issue amounts continued to servants and retainers.
7	Hafiza Begum.	416 0 0	104 0 0	36 0 0	
8	Dowlatun Nisa Begum.	416 0 0	130 0 0	130 0 0 a	a Khadur Hoosin was the 2nd grantee and his full stipend was continued.

8. That your Memorialist further submits that, because a mistake was originally made in the equitable distribution of her deceased husband's stipend, it would be extremely hard if the benevolent Government adhere to its previous orders. It may be generally stated that in some previous instances when imperfect representations have led to a departure from justice, the Government have been graciously pleased to revise their original orders and to grant enhanced allowances to aggrieved members of the Carnatic family. The cases in point are those of the families of Shujaeth Jung (Government Order, dated 18th May 1847): Azizulla Khan, (Government Order, dated 19th October 1847): Ghulam Mustafa Khan (Government Order, dated 2nd November 1847). Itmadud Dowlah Bahadur was grantad a pension of Rs. 17½ (Government Order, dated 21st June 1878, No. 327) though he had commuted his pension and received an amount of Rs. 17,640 on 20th April 1857. Rabia Begum was granted a pension of Rs. 9 as the 5th grantee from Hafizh Begum (*vide* No. 7 of the foregoing Schedule) in Government Order No. 480, dated 31st August 1878, though she had already commuted her first stipend by Government Order No. 328 of 4th November 1863. Cawder Bee, widow of the late Mirza Sultan Buksh Bahadur was granted a pension of Rs. 5 to 7½ in Government Order, dated 18th February 1889, No. 91, and there are innumerable instances in the records of the Government Office in which the paternal Government was pleased to grant higher rate of pensions on compassionate grounds.

9. Your Memorialist respectfully requests that the Government will kindly take into its generous consideration *your Memorialist's and her daughter's present destitute condition* and will deal with them mercifully and grant them their

proper share *out of that portion of the stipend of your Memorialist's husband which lapsed in 1891, or out of that of his father, Ghulam Murtuza Khan Bahadur's lapsed stipend who, in his life-time, was in receipt of Rs. 833, or out of the stipend of her step-son, Muhamed Ali, who has been allowed a quite disproportionate amount of Rs. 51 to which he has no title according to the long-established rules, vide remarks against Nos. 341-A & $\frac{348\text{-D}}{1}$ referred to in G. O. No. 357, dated 22nd May 1885.* In several instances, the local Government has ordered the continuation of full grants to the descendants of Nawab Wallajah, notwithstanding they were 4th and 5th in descent from the original grantee. Your Excellency's humble Memorialist therefore earnestly craves that herself and her daughter may be treated with greater consideration. Apart from this, the families of Nawab Wallajah's servants have been better provided for by Government than your Memorialist and her daughter, who have a fair and legitimate claim upon the bounty of the benign Government.

10. That your Memorialist having explained in the foregoing paragraphs her relationship to Nawab Wallajah and the insufficiency of the stipend granted to her and her daughters, begs now to represent that her youngest daughter died in October 1892, and on her death, your Memorialist and her surviving daughter should and in accordance with precedents, have received Rs. 19-10-4 each, *i. e.*, Rs. 13-4-3 in their own right each, *plus* a moiety of the stipend of the deceased; but in spite of such long obtaining compassionate course being followed, a deviation from it has been unfairly adopted in your Memorialist's and her daughter's case as mentioned below.

11. That without the knowledge, consent, or permission of your Memorialist and her daughters, their stipends have been commuted and the money to which your Memorialist and her two daughters were rightly entitled, has been delivered to the said Muhamed Ali in April 1892 from the Paymaster's Office on the plea of his having submitted *forged Hindustani Petitions* noted in the margin on your Memorialist's behalf, that the marriages of her daughters were about to take place—*on the condition that Muhamed Ali should stand security for the performance of the marriages in question*, and to this effect a *bond* was taken from him. Your Memorialist begs also to represent that she knew nothing about this transaction for a long time after which, when, on learning from other sources your Memorialist asked Muhamed Ali on the matter, and demanded the money; he first gave her some evasive replies and then to her great surprise he said that the commutation money due to her deceased daughter and to which your Memorialist and her other surviving daughter were entitled to, was in consequence of the death of that daughter, refunded to Government, which statement your Memorialist has reason to believe was a deliberate falsehood—necessitating strict enquiry into the matter—and afterwards he said that *out of the interest derived from the investment of the bonuses*, drawn by him on account of the commuted stipends of your Memoralist and her daughters he was supporting them.

12. That owing to his above misbehaviour and ill-treatment, your Memorialist and her elder surviving daughter were obliged to separate from the family in March 1895, and your Memorialist being anxious to see the girl, then closing her 22nd year married, necessarily raised a loan from her friends and celebrated her *Nikha ceremony only*. It may not be out of place to mention here that though more than 3 years have elapsed since the Paymaster is said to have paid the bonuses of your Memorialist and her daughters to the said Muhamed Ali, the latter failed to pay the amount to them, or to make provision for the marriage expenses, and your Excellency may clearly see that he has thereby rendered himself liable to very serious charges.

13. That after the *Nikha* ceremony of your Memorialist's surviving daughter (Muazamun Nisa Begum), your Memorialist applied, on the 3rd April 1895, to Muhamed Ali to return her the commutation money, through her Solicitor, Mr. James Short, and received reply from Muhamed Ali's Solicitors, Messrs. Wilson and King, on the 6th

EXHIBITS A, B & C.

EXHIBIT A.

To Colonel Stewart,

I beg to inform you that as the marriages of my daughters are to be celebrated in the month of *Shawal*, I hope you will be good enough to pay the amount of their commutation money.

The ○ Mark of ANWARAN NISA.

Seal of Witness, Ammatul Aziz Katija Begum.
Do. Do. Muhamed Ali.

Madras,
7th April 1892.

EXHIBIT B.

To Colonel Stewart,

We beg to appoint Muhamed Ali Sahib as our Vakil to receive our commutation money, and to request you to hand over the bonds to him.

The ○ Mark of MUAZAMUN NISA BEGUM.
Sealed.

The ○ Mark of MUAZAZUN NISA BEGUM.
Sealed.

Madras,
11th April 1892.

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EXHIBIT C.

To Colonel Stewart,

We beg to inform you that Muhamed Ali has received our commutation money.

The Mark ○ of MUAZAMUN NISA BEGUM.
The Mark ○ of MUAZAZUN NISA BEGUM.

Madras,
20th April 1892.

(True Copy.)

(Sd.) H. S. STEWART, Col.,
Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

Paymaster's Office, Chepauk,
16th September 1895.

EXHIBIT D.

Madras, 6th April 1895.

James Short, Esq.,
Solicitor, Madras.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Muhamed Ali Sahib has placed in our hands your letter to him of the 3rd instant written on behalf of Mirza Mohiadin Baig Saib and Mirza Cawder Baig Sahib with instructions to reply thereto.

Our client instructs us to inform you that *he has not been nor is he in receipt of the commutation allowance of the Carnatic Stipends payable to the ladies on behalf of whom your clients profess to act.*

We are, &c.,
(Sd.) WILSON & KING.

EXHIBIT E. No. $\frac{167}{13\text{-}4\text{-}95}$.

Anwarum Nisa is informed with reference to her petition of 6th April 1895 that she informed the Paymaster on the 7th April 1892 to the effect that the marriages of her daughters were about to take place; this letter which was sealed by two respectable Carnatic Stipendiaries as guarantee to the effect of the correctness of the statement contained therein, was sent to her through the office Humamnies to whom she stated that the contents of her said letter were true. On these assurances the Paymaster issued a sum of Rs. 756 to Muhamed Ali Sahib at her daughter's request which is filed in this office.

2. Petitioner now reports (after a silence of 3 years!) that her daughter has not yet been married. This surprises the Paymaster, who was induced to advance money as her daughter's dowry in obedience to Government orders.

3. Muhamed Ali has, however, returned the above amount of Rs. 756 stating at the same time that he has already advanced to the petitioner the above sum for the preparations of the marriage, for which he has satisfactory evidence to prove in a Court of Law. *The above transactions, however, does not concern the Paymaster.*

4. Petitioner is now informed that the amount which is now lodged at the office by Muhamed Ali, will not be paid to the petitioner; but the Paymaster will see the above amount paid to her *daughter* who is capable of giving a receipt for the amount, she being now 22 years old, provided that she gives a surety to the effect that she has not already received that amount directly or indirectly from Muhamed Ali, and also furnishes to this office an extract of her Nikha with Muhiadin Baig Sahib signed and sealed by a Government Qazi.

(Signed) H. S. STEWART, Col.,
Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

That in reply to this endorsement, your Memorialist, in a Petition dated 17th May 1895, informed the Paymaster that the bonus of Rs. 756 was never received by your Memorialist, that Muhamed Ali never performed the marriage of her two daughters, and on the contrary, your Memorialist had, for the first time learnt, that a Petition was submitted to the Paymaster purporting to have been signed by your Memorialist, and bearing, as alleged, *seals of two respectable Carnatic Stipendiaries, whom your Memorialist in the middle of September 1895, after receipt of (Exhibits A, B and C) furnished by the Paymaster, discovered that Muhamed Ali, and his mother were the witnesses to that important paper*—vide *copy of forged Hindustani letter, dated 7th April 1892, with translation.* (Exhibit A noted in the margin of para. 11.) In the above connection your Memorialist begs respectfully to submit that due and strict inquiries should have been made by the Paymaster as to the authenticity of the letter, prior to the disbursement of the money; and with reference to para. 1 of the Paymaster's reply (Exhibit E) your Memorialist begs to state, that the Humamnies never called at your Memorialist's residence and never had an interview either with her or with her daughters.

14. That your Memorialist further begs to invite your Excellency's attention to the significant fact that on receipt of her Petition on the subject of the commutation allowances, the Paymaster called upon Muhamed Ali, on the 10th April 1895, either to refund the amount of the bonus due to her daughter, or to furnish him with a receipt in token of her having received such payment, (Exhibit F) which circumstance, your Excellency may clearly see, proves conclusively that the Paymaster's Office was completely in the dark as to the payment of the amount to the *rightful party. On the 13th April 1895*, the Paymaster was pleased to inform your Memorialist (*vide* Exhibit E) that the amount has been refunded by Muhamed Ali and will be paid to her daughter on production of her *marriage certificate* and of a *Surety* that she had not received the sum directly, or indirectly, from Muhamed Ali. (Exhibit G.)

EXHIBIT F. No. $\frac{163}{10\text{-}4\text{-}95}$.

A complaint having been lodged by one Anwarun Nisa Begum that Carnatic Stipendiary No. $\frac{341\text{-}A}{1}$ Muhamed Ali Sahib has not returned the bonus (Rs. 756) to her daughter Muazamun Nisa Begum which Muhamed Ali Sahib received from this Office on the 13th April 1892, *on the condition that he would stand security for the performance of the marriage with this amount*, the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, directs that he will either at once return the amount of Rs. 756 which he received from the Paymaster for the above specific purpose, or furnish the undersigned with the receipt of Muazamun Nisa Begum in full satisfaction of the claim.

(Signed) H. S. STEWART, Col.,
Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

(True Copy.)
(Signed) H. S. STEWART, Col.,
Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

16*th September* 1895.

EXHIBIT G.

We do hereby testify that Muhamed Ali Sahib, the son of the late Ghulam Hoosine Sahib, did not pay the share of his step-mother Anwarun Nisa Begum nor those of his step-sisters from the estate of the deceased which amounted to about a lakh of Rupees. We are further aware that the said Muhamed Ali has not even paid the commutation amount of his step-mother and her daughters.

(Sealed) ABBASEE BEGUM.
(Signed) MUSTAFA HOOSSAIN.

19*th May* 1895.

15. That in compliance with the Paymaster's Memorandum (Exhibit E) your Memorialist's daughter applied to him on the 18th May 1895 enclosing an extract (Exhibit H) from the Government Qazis' Nikha register, and in reply she received from the Paymaster an endorsement, dated 20th May 1895, No. 212, (Exhibit J) informing her that the Paymaster's responsibility ceased on payment of her share of bonus, on her behalf, to her step-brother on the 13th

EXHIBIT H.

Nikha of Mirza Mohideen Baig Sahib, son of Mirza Hassen Baig Sahib, celebrated with Ammatul Moiz Moazamun Nisa Begum (matured virgin girl daughter of Ghulam Hoosine Ahsanud Dowlah Bahadur (Maher Rs. 5,000 and 39 tolas pure gold through Vakalat of Mustafa Hoosine, son of Nasirudin Hoosine Khan.

Witnesses.

Ghulam Asiz Hoosine, son of MUSTAFA HOOSINE,
Muhamed Sarvar Ali, son of MUNIRUD DOWLAH BAHADUR,
Nikha performed by Syed Ali, son of SYED ENSUFF,

Dy. Qazi.

27th Ramzan 1312 Hijiri, (corresponding to 23rd March 1895).

(True Copy.)
(Signed) KAZEE OBEIDULLA,
Govt. Qazi.

22nd Shawal 1312 Hijiri.

EXHIBIT I. No. $\frac{194}{18\text{-}5\text{-}94}$.

Anwarum Nisa is informed with reference to her Petition, dated April 1895, that her complaint regarding the distribution of shares of her late husband's stipend is inadmissible.

2. As regards her allegation of non-payment of certain sums paid on her account and that of her daughters to her step-son Muhamed

Ali Sahib, petitioner is informed that it is left to her to establish her right in a Court of Law as she may be advised.

(Signed) H. S. STEWART, Col.,
Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

EXHIBIT J. No. $\frac{212}{20\text{-}5\text{-}95.}$

In reply to her Petition of the 18th Instant, Ammatul Moiz Moazamun Nisa Begum is informed that from legal opinion recently obtained by the Paymaster the responsibility of this office ceased on payment of her share of bonus on her behalf to Muhamed Ali Sahib her step-brother on the 13th April 1892 as per receipt filed in this office; the endorsement No. 167, dated 13th April 1895, to her mother from the Paymaster is therefore cancelled, and the petitioner is informed that any claim she may have against her half-brother above-named, she is left to establish in a Court of Law as she may be advised.

(Signed) H. S. STEWART, Col.,
Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

April 1892, as per receipt filed in his office (*Exhibit C, forged Petition*); and in an endorsement No. 194, dated 18th May 1895, (Exhibit I) to her mother, (the Memorialist) it was stated that the commutation money having been paid on her account and that of her daughters, to her step-son, it was left to her to establish her right in a Court of Law. These two replies, it will be observed, do not correspond with the language of Exhibit E, and show that there is evidently something requiring explanation.

16. Your Memorialist next begs to point out, that her daughters *invariably sign their Petitions and letters, &c., and never use marks, as in the case of the forged Hindustani letters, dated 11th and 20th April 1892* (Exhibits B and C, para. 11) addressed to Colonel Stewart, copies of which have been furnished to Memorialist, as per Government Order No. 576, Political, dated 30th August 1895. The very fact of Muhamed Ali having refunded Rs. 756 to the Paymaster, conclusively proves that the said sum was never paid to your Memorialist or to her daughters, but that to screen his delinquency he refunded the amount, instead of paying it to your Memorialist or her daughter, as he should have done. It may be further mentioned that neither your Memorialist nor her surviving daughter has received their bonuses up to date. Vide *report of inquiry connected with Memorialist and her daughters made by Mrs. Firth, and submitted to the Paymaster in April 1895.*

As regards the Paymaster's action, as disclosed in the foregoing papers, it will be observed that within the short interval that elapsed between the date of his first letter quoted in para. 13 and his second letter quoted in para. 15, a most marvellous change seems to have come over his desire, as expressed in his Memo. (Exhibit E, para. 13) dated 13th April 1895, to see the amount paid to your Memorialist's daughter. Subsequently, on being informed by the Paymaster that the Memorialist and her daughter should sue Muhamed Ali in a Civil Court (Exhibits I and J) for the payment of the bonuses claimed by them, your Memorialist's daughter next requested the Paymaster, on the 11th June 1895, to inform her

Exhibit K. No. $\frac{244}{12\text{-}6\text{-}95.}$

Ammatul Moiz Moazamun Nisa Begum is informed with reference to her Petition of 11th Instant that the whole of this office endorsement dated 13th April last must be considered as cancelled.

2. The money deposited by Muhamed Ali Sahib was returned to him.

(Signed) H. S. STEWART, Col.,
Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

whether paras. 3 and 4 of the endorsement No. 167, dated 13th April 1895, (Exhibit E) in which it is said that the amount in question was returned by Muhamed Ali and was lodged in his office, should be taken as cancelled; and if so, what he has done with the money. To this query the Paymaster replied that the endorsement referred to should be considered as cancelled and added that the money was returned to Muhamed Ali. (Exhibit K.)

17. Your Memorialist, finding that the Paymaster's action was vacillatory and inconsistent, applied to him on the 17th June last for authenticated copies of *all* the documents and correspondence connected with the fact set out above, in view to taking further steps, and was informed by him (Exhibit L) that the request for grant of copies of documents was inadmissible without the orders of Government. On receipt of this reply, your Memorialist was compelled to trouble Government in the matter, and on the 30th August 1895 she learnt that the Paymaster was directed to furnish her with copies of such of the papers connected with her case as may be forthcoming in his office.

Exhibit L. No. $\frac{256}{18\text{-}6\text{-}96.}$

Anwarum Nisa is informed with reference to her Petition of the 17th Instant that her request for grant of attested copies of documents she applied for is inadmissible without the express orders of Government.

(Signed) H. S. STEWART, Col.,
Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

18. That in accordance with these instructions, your Memorialist begs to state she has been supplied with some of the documents,* *not all*, and that two important papers, *viz.*, (1) copy of Petition from Muhamed Ali's mother stating that as she was already in receipt of a pension, her own share in her husband's allowances may be distributed among her son, your Memorialist and her children; and (2) copy of security bond given by Muhamed Ali referred to in paras. 4 and 11 respectively, have not been supplied her, although she has reason to believe they are forthcoming in the records of the Paymaster's Office. These documents are of great importance to Memorialist, and in not furnishing her with them, the reason for abstaining to do so has not been explained.

* *Vide* her Petition to Chief Secretary, dated 5th August 1895, and Paymaster's reply thereto quoted in Government Order No. 576, dated 30th August 1895.

19. In these circumstances your Memorialist humbly begs that your Excellency in Council will issue orders for the disbursement, at an early date, of the *three sums of commutation money* amounting to Rs. 2,300 or thereabouts, according to the terms of the security bond signed by Muhamed Ali which is on the records of the Paymaster's Office, as your Memorialist has yet to perform according to the "Khandan" custom the "Shadi" (marriage) of her daughter, who is about 23 years, and which Memorialist has been obliged to postpone for want of funds.

20. That in regard to the prayer contained in para. 9 your Memorialist begs to state that, it is a matter of very deep regret that while the families of Nos. 1 and 3 referred to in the Schedule quoted in para. 7 *supra*, are enjoying the

full pension, the family of Memorialist's husband, *vide* item No. 2 in the said Schedule, should be deprived of the same for these many years *for no fault of their own*. Your Memorialist and her surviving daughter indulge in the confident hope that your Excellency will be benevolently and graciously pleased to consider their claims and to extend to them the benevolence so characteristic of your Excellency's Government, and grant them the boon sought for in this Memorial, *viz.*, the payment of the commutation money referred to above, as well as the grant in future to Memorialist and her surviving daughter of the difference of pension between the rate given in para. 4 and that hitherto paid, *i.e.*, Rs. 8-2-6, such being the difference between Rs. 13-4-3 and Rs. 5-1-9 *plus* a moiety of Rs. 4-1-3 of the deceased daughter's share.

For which act of kindness and benevolence and charity, your Memorialist and her daughter shall, as in duty bound, ever PRAY.

No. 195, TRIPLICANE HIGH ROAD,
MADRAS, *March* 1896.

Mark of ANWARUM NISA BEGUM.

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From

ANWARUN NISA BEGUM,
Second widow of the late
GHULAM HOOSINE KHAN BAHADUR,
GREAT GRANDSON OF NAWAB,
WALLAJAH OF CARNATIC.

To

His Excellency Sir Arthur
ELIBANK HAVELOCK, C.C.M.G., G.C.I.E.,
Governor & President in Council,
FORT SAINT GEORGE.

DATED
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SUBJECT :—

Requesting to issue early orders to the Paymaster of Carnatic Stipends for the disbursement of certain bonuses and soliciting a reconsideration of the order regarding the rate of pension sanctioned to her and to her daughter.

To,
The Honble H. W. Bliss,
&c. &c. &c.
"Stonehouse Hill"
Ootacamund.

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Honorable Sir,

Enclosures 2.

Petition 16.7.96 to the Governm in Council
(2) do 30.3.96 do—

I, the undersigned widow of the late Ghoolam Hoosine Khan Bahadoor, great-grandson of His Highness Nawab Wallajah most respectfully beg leave to state that the noble birth, high connexion and reduced means of every one of the members of our family are well-known to your Honor, as it had already been fully represented in the Memorial* to the Secretary of State for India, submitted by my late husband, and that the Honble Government, satisfying the distressed condition of our family have been pleased to sanction one-third of the amount of the stipend* enjoyed by my father-in-law, the late Ghoolam Moortooza Khan Bahadoor, in the name of my late husband for life only

After my husband's demise, however, a moiety* of his stipend should have been conferred on me. But my Step-Son Mahomed Ali Miandad by crafty means to get a stipend of Rs 51/- per mensem on him, and at the same time to have it declared continuable⊗ even to his wife and children, while and my poor daughter are left utterly destitute

Besides, your Honor will observe that the said Mahomed Ali has not only arrogated to himself the benefit of my late husband's pension, but also deprived me and my daughters who are gosha ladies of our paltry stipends, commuted by submitting forged Hindustani letters to the Paymaster who paid the amount on an indemnity bond having been taken that he should spend it for the marriages of my daughters. Though the marriage was not performed the indemnity bond is allowed to remain a dead-letter.

Under these circumstances your Honor can better imagine the state of my feelings

* Published in Proc: of Madras Govt Political Dept 19 Decr 1867 No 31.

* G.O. No 1767 7 Augt 1868
G.O. No 210 17 June 1869
G.O. No 2938 30 April 1884.

* Vide orders in remark column of G.O. No 357 22 May 1885.

⊗ G.O. No 157 Political 6 March 1894 and No 98 & 170 Political 28 Feby & 9th March 1896.

⊛ Vide pages 13 & 14 of printed petition herewith submitted

…n of my late husband is well-founded, and as I have none but your Honor to whom I can look for protection and justice, I most humbly solicit that your Honor will submit my case for the favorable consideration of His Excellency the Governor in Council that orders may be issued for a due proportion of the stipends of my husband and my mothe…-in-law, or after deducting from her husb…d's stipend the amount of Rs51/- allotted to her step-son, the balance of Rs44-8-0 at least may be apportioned to me and my daughter, whose husband is confined to bed by paralysis.

Begging to be pardoned for the intrusion on your most valuable and precious time, and trusting that your Honor will be graciously pleased to intercede in my behalf and to cause favorable orders to be issued, as requested.

I remain
your Honor's most afflicted Servant

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…. Mark of Anwaruu Nisa Begum.

…ane High Road
…dras, 16th July 1896.

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Petition No. 1
To
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CURRENT No. 1001

To 5/11/14

His Excellency Sir Clibank Havelock G.C.M.G, G.C.I.E.
Governor and President in Council
Fort Saint George.

The humble appeal petition of Anwaruu Nisa Begum, widow of the late Ghulam Hoosain Khan Bahadoor, Great-grandson of Nawab Wallajah, Carnatic Stipendiary vide 341-A & 348-D/14-A

Humbly Sheweth:-

That her husband's grand-father, Abdool Gaffar Khan Bahadoor, was one of the Sicka sons of His Highness the Nawab Wallajah, and conferred on him a stipend of Rs 12000 per Annum.

2. That after his demise in 1814 on the recommendation of the Nawab Azeemood Dowlah Bahadoor that the full amount of his pension should be continued in the name of his son, Ghoolam Moortooza Khan Bahadoor, the Government were pleased to continue the full amount in consideration of the very important and meritorious services rendered by the said Abdool Gaffar Khan, first in being the principal party in effecting the Treaty of 1801 between the Nawab, the said Azeemood Dowlah Bahadoor and the late Honble East India Company; and in the second place, in limiting the stipends of the immediate lineal descendants of the Nawab Wallajah and Oomdatul Omrah, whereby a very large saving was effected to the British Government out of the revenues of the Carnatic.

* Vide letter from the Rt. Honble the Governor, 30th August 1814.

3. That this was continued until the year 1850, when from some family dispute the stipend was divided into three shares, viz:- Rs417 per mensem to Ghoolam Moortooza Khan Bahadoor, Rs208 to Padsha Begum (his mother) and Rs208 to his nephews.

Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 4318 11th Dec. 1851, para 3.

4. That in the year 1862 Ghoolam Moortooza Khan Bahadoor died, and his pension of Rs417 and that of his mother Rs208, making a total of Rs625 per mensem, was withheld from the surviving members of the family.

5. That on the application of her husband for the continuance of an allowance for the benefi…

-ters, his dependents, and family, Government passed
an order sanctioning a stipend* of Rs 139 only for his
life, being a little more than one-fifth of the joint
pensions (Rs 625) of Ghoolam Moortooza Khan Bahadoor
and his mother.

6. That this order is inequitable as will be apparent from the consideration of the following facts:—

(a) That the very large deduction of Rs 486 out of her husband's father and his grandmother's stipends of Rs 625 was opposed to the spirit and tenor of Lord Clive's minute of 1801, and of the late Hon'ble Court of Directors' Despatches of the 11th March 1846, in which it is distinctly declared that a gradual reduction should be made, that is to say, that only the personal expenses of the deceased stipendiary should be deducted.

(b) This order was reiterated in another Despatch of the Hon'ble Court dated 22nd May 1850, in which it is stated that, "We are of opinion, "however, that the rule ought not to be that "of reduction by thirds on successive lapses, "since as we have repeatedly remarked, such "a rule is liable to interfere with the life-interests "of persons receiving, and entitled to receive, support "from the stipend."

7. That in reference to the above quoted orders, petitioner and her surviving daughter would most humbly and respectfully observe that a very large deduction has been made in the stipends of Ghulam Hoossain Khan Bahadoor and his mother; that they are neither collaterals nor dependents, but direct lineal descendants* of His Highness the Nawab Wallajah; that many inferior to them, enjoy two-thirds of their husbands' pension, and several others are in the enjoyment of their father's pension in full.

8. That in the circumstances detailed your petitioner most humbly and respectfully solicits that moiety of your petitioner's husband's stipend should [illegible] been conferred on her. If this course be now considered [illegible] prays that after

* Vide G.O. No 176, dated 7th August 1868, and G.O. No 2817 June 1869, and G.O. No 293 30th April 1884.

(*) Dated 29th Sep para 3

* G.O. No 3058 [illegible] 1864.

(x) Vide Orders [illegible] against Serial Nos [illegible] 263 in remark [illegible] of pp 5 d & 7 d of G.O. 22 May 1885. "Ca[illegible] Case of No 7.26 to 28 when these are refer[illegible] on pp 2 d of the said the remark column [illegible] shows "Moiety to [illegible]

× Vide G.O. No 707 8 2nd Dec 1891.

* [V]ide Exhibits E & F of her [p]etition 8 30 March 1896 [d]isposed of in G.O. No 356 [5] June 1896.

* Vide concluding [por]tion of para 13 of said [pe]tition disposed of in G.O. 356 8 5 June 1896

(+) Vide Exhibit F of her petition 8 30 March 1896

(*) Vide paras 13 & 14 of petition disposed of in the said G.O.

[He]r husband is [con]fined to bed by [par]alysis.

deducting the amount of Rs 51 allotted× to petitioner's step-son Mahomed Ali, the balance Rs 44-8-0 may be apportioned to her and her daughter, and the bonus disbursed to them, and as the Paymaster paid the commutation money to the said Mahomed Ali on the 13th April 1892, on a bond being taken from him to the effect that the latter should stand security* for the performance of the marriages of your petitioner's daughters, and as the youngest daughter died* (unmarried) in 1892, and the other was not married till the middle of March 1895. Your petitioner begs that your Excellency will be so good as to direct the Paymaster to recover at least the money viz: Rs 756, if the amount due to her deceased daughter was credited to Government, as per bond(+) from Mahomed Ali, he having obtained(*) it under specious and false pretences and never having fulfilled the specified condition. Now, as regards the suggestion made in G.O. No 356 8 5 June 1896, that the petitioner has her remedy in the Law Courts for any fraud committed on her, the petitioner begs to observe that she would have long ago availed herself of this remedy had it not been for the great disadvantages she is laboring under, as a gosha lady of high birth and noble connexion for appearing before a Court. If the Government would be so pleased as to remove these disadvantages by permitting her and her daughter to depute their Authorised Agent to appear on their behalf and conduct the case, she would then gratefully seek that remedy. If not, she earnestly prays that the Government may appoint a third disinterested party to investigate the whole truth by means of fair and unbiased examination of the existing records and necessary enquiry and do justice to your aggrieved Petitioner.

9. That once more your petitioner and her (*) daughter would submit that they are direct descendants of the Wallajah family, and have been faithful allies of the British Government, and according to the Treaty of 1801, are entitled to some sort of consideration

they pray that your Excellency in Council will be graciously pleased to pass an order that a due proportion of the stipends of petitioner's husband and mother-in-law, after deducting the amount of Rs 5½ allotted to petitioner's step-son Mahomed Ali, may be bestowed on her and her daughters as her husband is confined to bed by paraly

For which act of kindness and generosity your petitioner, as in duty bound, shall ever pray.

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+ Mark of Anwaran Nisa Begum

No. 195 Triplicane High Road
Madras 16th July 1896.

[G. 25 A.] 1,000—21-5-96.

Political Department

C. No. 915, 983 & 1001

Duplicate

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H. E. the GOVERNOR.

FOR ORDERS.

NOTE

For convenience of reference the papers referred to in the present note have been placed on the top of the file and immediately below the currents.

C.No.915 is a petition from Mussamat Anwar-un-nisa Begum, daughter of the late Ghulam Husain, Khan Bahadur, which is in great measure a repetition of the petition from her mother, Anwar-un-nisa Begum, disposed of in G.O. No. 356 Poll., d/ 5th June 1896. The case of Anwar-un-nisa Begum and her two daughters was carefully considered when G.O.No.356 of 1896 was passed and a complete history of the pension to which they lay claim is given in the note attached to that order. The petitioner repeats a great deal of the past history and the only points which are at all new are those in paras 6, 7 and the first part of para 8 of C.No.915.

2. As regards para 6 of the petition, the treaty of 1801, Lord Clive's minute of the same year and the Despatches from the Court of Directors of 11th March 1846 and 22nd May 1850 are the documents upon which the present treatment of Carnatic stipends is based. It does not seem necessa

stipend from which the petitioner's father derived his pension would, as shown in the note in G.O. No.356, d/ 5th June 1896, have lapsed years ago.

3. From the Paymaster's report on the latter part of para 7, it will be seen that Malik-un-nisa Begam is the sister of the late Ghulam Husain and that the continuance of her pension rests on exactly the same grounds as the continuance of Ghulam Husain's pension from which the present petitioner has derived a bonus. With reference to para 4 of the petition and the point raised with regard to the bonus of Muhammad Ali ~~Khalid~~ continuable, attention is solicited to para 4 of the Paymaster's letter on page of G.O.No.150 Poll., d/ 6-3-94 and to para 3 of G.O.No.884 Poll., d/ 30-12-03 (page 5) Muhammad Ali was, as pointed out in the note in G.O.No.350 of 1896, the ~~shadi~~ son of Ghulam Husain and was in the direct ~~shadi~~ line from the original grantee. The petitioner was the nikahi ~~elder~~ daughter of Ghulam Husain. It is submitted that the following order may issue on the petition.

C. No. 983

FOR ORDERS.

H. M.

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ORDER No. 511 dt 8. August 1896

The petitioner will be referred to G.O.No. 356 Poll., d/ 5th June 1896, which is final, and informed that further petitions on the subject will not receive any notice.

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