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14<sup>th</sup> June 1887.

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Most Honoured Sir

According to your honour's ~~order~~  
on the evening of the 1<sup>st</sup> Instant, when  
I applied to my father to send me some  
remittances, he has refused on the ground  
that he meant that I should remain for  
some more years in my Educational Career,  
that I acted against his wish by getting my-  
self employed so early, that he would send  
me any sum of money in case of my study-  
ing for some more years at Madras, and  
that in case of my continuing here that I  
should get myself all that I needed without his  
help. He has also asked me to give up this  
employment in case I do not get a permanent  
employment as my salary, and my narrow circum-  
stances too do not permit me to stay for Rs 30  
without the helping hand of my father. So unless  
I get a permanent salary of Rs 50, and a batch  
of Rs 20 till on the hills, I see no possibility of  
staying in your honour's office, if your honour  
is

is not prepared to spend so much, please  
to accept this as my resignation and  
kindly favour me with a good certificate  
for the services that I have been doing  
~~you~~ for the last few months. I am glad  
at least that I leave your honour after  
completing all the copper plate fronts.  
I am as it were placed in a dilemma,  
—— not to displease your honour  
on the ~~other~~ one hand and not to dis-  
obey my father on the other hand.  
Anyhow my circumstances do not permit  
me to stay for a salary of Rs 30. I  
shall stay in your honour's office for one  
more week during which time I beg your  
honour to procure another man in my  
place for Rs 30, in case your honour  
is not prepared to give me Rs 50 from  
the beginning of this month. Hoping to be  
oblige with a good certificate in case of  
being dispensed with, I beg to remain  
Sir

Your honour's most obedient servant

S. M. Katesa Sastri

In Dat. 14/9-81

Greenwood  
Ottawa  
July 9. 1881.

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My dear Kennedy Herbert

Will you very kindly  
ask Mr. Huddleston for me  
a small sum about my office  
which, as you may be aware, is paid  
out of a special limited fund  
sanctioned by the Govt of India.  
My principal & best Sanskrit  
Pundit, an extremely clever  
young scholar who has been work-  
ing with me admirably since  
January, tells me that his  
father insists on his leaving his  
present post (on Rs 30) unless he  
goes to an increase of pay to Rs 50, and  
that he (the father) has stopped his  
private allowance in the meantime.  
I really believe that Huddleston  
the clerk in question, honestly ~~and~~  
has told me the truth about this  
matter, & wants to stay with me if  
possible. He takes a great interest  
in the subject, and is really invaluable  
to me now, as he has been with me  
for so long. If I were to let him  
go I should be in great difficulties. I  
therefore strongly recommend that his  
pay be increased to Rs 50. The cost  
to the fund can be met without difficulty.

as, out of a sanctioned amount of  
Rs 1800 a month, I am only spending  
about Rs 1400.

At the same time I think <sup>979</sup>  
it advisable first to ask whether Govt.  
would entertain the proposal at all - or  
consider it so entirely unreasonable that  
they would reject it at once. If the  
latter I will not put the matter up  
officially at all, but go on as best I  
can (I shall however be seriously ham-  
pered in the work). But if Mr. Huddleston  
thinks that the proposal is reasonable, I  
will write officially - unless, this letter  
can be permitted to go forward to Council  
I so save time (?)

I enclose Burton's letter (for  
return). I have induced him to stay  
with me a little longer, & write again to  
his father, - who remains moderate.  
He is a young fellow of great promise  
and I commend his case for favourable  
consideration.

Yours sincerely

R. D. Russell

BY B. C. "

No 1387

Government House  
Ootacamund 12<sup>th</sup> July 1887.

To

CURRENT No. 1219

The Chief Secretary  
to Government

Sir,

I have the honor by order  
of the Honible the Governor to  
forward to you the enclosed  
letter from Mr. R. Sewell  
with its enclosure.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedt. servant

A. Kenney Herbert Major

Military Secretary  
for Pri. Secy.

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Ootacamund  
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Ordered in Council  
that Mr. Sewell be  
asked to apply  
officially.

14/7/87

Public (1881) Department  
(1881)  
From The Private Secretary  
to the Hon. the Governor

To The Chief Secretary  
to Government  
Sept.

Dated 12<sup>th</sup>

Resd 12 July 1887.

CURRENT NO. 1470

Enclosures 2.

No. 138.

Subject

Forwards a letter & enclosure  
from Mr. R. Sewell  
about the increase of  
pay to his Sanskrit  
Pandit -

No. 555.

Archaeological Office,  
Coatacamund,  
16<sup>th</sup> July 1887.

CURRENT No. 1470

From Mr. Sewell Esq.  
M. C. S.  
on special duty.

To The Chief Secretary to Govt  
Fort St George.

Sir,

I have the honor to request the  
favorable consideration of Government  
in the following matter.

In February, last, on the strong  
recommendation of Dr. G. Oppert, Professor  
of Sanskrit, I engaged S. M. Natesa Sastri  
- a young man whom he stated to be one  
of his most promising pupils, to work  
with me as my Tamil-Sanskrit Pandit,  
on a salary of Rs 30. He joined my office  
on February 26, and has since per-  
formed his duties to my entire satis-  
faction. As this was his first  
employment in the Public Service, I  
considered that, despite his superior  
qualifications for the work in hand, a  
Salary of Rs 30, was sufficient for him.  
He accepted it with some considerable  
reluctance as Dr. Oppert had given  
him to understand that he would  
probably get a higher salary. But,  
nevertheless, once his mind was made  
up, he worked with me cheerfully and  
well. It appears however that his  
acceptance was considerably against  
the wishes of his father who wanted

him to continue his studies and qualify for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the Madras University.

His father has now withdrawn from Natesa Sastri all private supplies in order to try and induce him to leave this post unless his salary is raised. And Natesa Sastri is in considerable difficulties. He wishes to stay with me, but does not like to disobey his father. The latter's consent, however, is freely offered to Natesa's remaining at his present post if his salary is raised to Rs. 50. <sup>979</sup>

I should be very considerably embarrassed if Natesa were to leave me. He has been working for nearly five months at this special subject; has shown remarkable aptitude for acquiring a knowledge of the ancient characters in which a number of inscriptions are engraved in different parts of the country; and is, in fact, my right hand man at the work. To have to begin all over again would greatly hamper me, especially at the present stage, as a very considerable time would elapse before a new Pandit, however able, could possess himself of the knowledge which Natesa has now acquired. Only a few months more remain, within which I hope to complete the compilation with which the Government has entrusted me, and if Natesa's salary is

ended

raised to Rs 50, the total extra cost to the special fund will not exceed Rs 60. or Rs. 80. at Rs 20. a month. We can well afford this, as my average expenditure has been only Rs 1457-79. a month, the grant allowed by Government being Rs. 1800. a month.

I therefore strongly recommend — and respectfully request, — that Government will be pleased to sanction the increase of Natesa's salary from Rs 30 to Rs. 50.

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I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> Servant,

R. K. Will  
on special duty.

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From BY G.O. No 979  
R. Sewell Esq.  
M.E.S.  
on spl. duty

To  
The Chief Secretary  
to Govt.  
Fort St George.

18/7/81

To  
C. Sewell, Esq. Secy. to Govt.  
Acct Genl. C.S.  
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No. 555.

Dated 16<sup>th</sup> July 1881

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No. \_\_\_\_\_  
CURRENT No. 1470

Subject.

Requesting sanction  
for an increase of  
Rs 20 per mensem  
for Sanskrit Pandit  
S. M. Natesa Sastru.

W. H. A. Dev