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No. 99. Read the following letter from W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government; dated 30th September 1859, No. 3929.

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Para. 26.

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7. The Government are aware that Rungah Charloo was precluded from entering the new grade of Deputy Collector in consequence of advanced age. He resigned office on the 30th June 1859, and his pension will commence from the 1st July following.

No. 100. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE THE PRESIDENT.

Instances of faithful, able, valuable service, such as this, are not of frequent occurrence; and it is both our duty and interest to distinguish them by a proper reward. I think we should recommend Rangácháru lu to the Secretary of State for a special pension of 400 Rupees a month (viz. 99 Rupees in excess of the pension which he receives under the ordinary rules), with the reversion of one-fourth part, or 100 Rupees, to his Nephew and heir; and in the event of our recommendation being complied with, a suitable title might be conferred upon him.

(Signed) C. E. TREVELYAN.

GUNDI, 22*d October* 1859.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, for the month of November 1859.

No. 101. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE MR. MOREHEAD.

As Rangácháru undoubtedly was the person who really effected the revision of the assessment of South Arcot, the results of which are now marked with so much success, I would suggest that his pension be fixed at the full amount of his salary.

The grant of 100 Rupees to his Nephew his heir, is sufficient. I concur with the President in his suggestion that a title should be conferred on Rangácháru.

22d October 1859. (Signed) W. MOREHEAD.

No. 101 A. MINUTE BY HIS EXCELLENCY SIR P. GRANT.

I concur with Mr. Morehead.

22d October 1859. (Signed) PAT. GRANT.

No. 101 B. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE THE PRESIDENT.

On re-consideration, I agree with Mr. Morehead that my proposal was insufficient. The merits of the case would not, in my opinion, be adequately met without the grant of a pension equal to the whole of the salary last received by Rangachárí.

3rd November 1859. (Signed) C. E. TREVELYAN.

No. 102. ORDER THEREON, 9th November 1859, No. 1527.

Resolved that the application submitted with these Proceedings for a special pension to M. Rangácháru late Head Sarishtadár of the District of South Arcot be forwarded to the Secretary of State for India by the next Mail, with the strong recommendation of this Government that in consideration of the faithful and able services rendered by the applicant during so many years, a full pension of seven hundred Rupees a month may be granted to him for his life, with a reversion of one hundred Rupees per mensem, to his grand-nephew and heir for his life.

2. In the event of their recommendation being complied with, the Government will confer a suitable title on Rangácháru.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

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REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
Fort Saint George,
30th September 1859.

I have the honor to be,
SIR,
Your most obedient servant,
W. Hudleston
Acting Secretary.

Copy to Acting Collector of South Arcot.

APPENDIX.

TESTIMONIALS.

This is to certify that M. Rungiah Braminee has served in the General Department as an Assistant to the Office Manager from March 1816 to this date, during which time, he has conducted himself with fidelity and attention, and discharged his duty to my entire satisfaction. He is a very useful person, and I feel no hesitation to recommend him to my successors as an active servant.

Fort Saint George:
Acct. General's Office,
10*th August* 1822.

(Signed) GEORGE GARROW,
Accountant General.

This is to certify that the bearer, M. Ruugiah, Braminee, has served in the Accountant General's Office from March 1816 to the present date, has conducted himself with much satisfaction to his superiors, and has proved himself to be an excellent Accountant and well qualified in all branches of Public business entrusted to his charge. He leaves the Office from ill health and entirely at his own request.

Fort Saint George,
Acct. General's Office,
8*th April* 1824.

(Signed) J. G. TURNBULL,
Accountant General.

Runga Charloo served under me as Head English Accountant, to which situation I appointed him on the recommendation of the Accountant General in whose Office he had previously served, from June 1824 to March 1827, when I quitted the Collectorate of Masulipatam. I ever found him a most skilful and talented Accountant, clever, and willing to superintend the Writers and all the Department, together with the superintendence of the Stamps; and in consequence recommended him strongly to my successor. It is only requisite to state further that he continues to be employed by that Gentleman and in a superior situation.

Madras, 1*st February* 1837. (Signed) C. ROBERTS.

RUNGA CHARLOO,

I have the pleasure to send you a Certificate you requested. I shall bear in mind the wishes you expressed this morning regarding future promotion, and wish you a good journey and health and happiness, wherever you go.

I remain, your sincere Friend,

Bunder, 26*th December*. (Signed) G. S. HOOPER.

M. Runga Charloo having resigned his situation as Head Accountant on this Establishment in consequence of the promise of promotion in another District, I have much pleasure in giving him this Testimonial of his good conduct, zeal, and abilities during the period he has served under me, viz. since the month of July last, when I first arrived in this District. He has always discharged his duties entirely to my satisfaction, and I part with his services with regret.

(Signed) G. S. HOOPER,
Acting Collector.

Masulipatam, 26*th Decembe*r 1832.

Extract of a letter from JOHN DENT, Esq., *Principal Collector of Southern Division of Arcot, to the Board of Revenue, under date 4th February* 1838, *para.* 1.

On the 3d Instant I had the honor to forward an application from my Head Sheristadar, Chintamany Pattah Madoova Row, requesting permission to resign his situation, and praying that a shrotriem may be granted to him.

In consequence of Madoova Row's resignation the situation of Head Sheristadar has become vacant; and it has devolved upon me to nominate a person to succeed him. The person whom I beg very respectfully to propose for his successor, and whom I have appointed, subject to your Board's confirmation, is the present Deputy Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, a person who has filled the office of Accountant and Deputy Sheristadar in the Cutcherry for the last 4 years, and who from his intelligence, thorough knowledge of every detail connected with the duties, his unremitting application to business, and strict integrity I consider above any other person fitted for the situation. His appointment will be agreeable to the people of the District generally, and I am sure for the advantage of Government; and I therefore very respectfully and earnestly solicit your Board's sanction for his nomination.

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It is very possible, though not probable, that the present Division Sheristadar attached to the Sub Collector may apply for the succession to Madoova Row, and I can only say in reference thereto that without disparaging his acquirements, I consider him so inferior to Runga Charloo in natural talents, in knowledge of the District generally and his habits of business, that I have not a moment's hesitation in recommending the one in preference to the other.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 12*th February* 1838.

The Board under the explanation of the services and qualifications of the Deputy Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, as set forth in the foregoing letter, resolve to confirm his nomination as Head Sheristadar in the Southern Division of Arcot, in succession to Chintamany Pattah Madoova Row, permitted to resign.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) W. ASHTON,
Principal Collector.

To M. RUNGA CHARLOO,
Deputy Sheristadar.

I have much pleasure in communicating to you the confirmation by the Board of Revenue of your appointment to be Head Sheristadar, as recommended by the late Principal Collector; and I take the opportunity of expressing my entire concurrence in the good opinion of you entertained by Mr. Dent, and in the Public Testimonial conveyed in his letter to the Board of Revenue dated the 4th February 1838.

Cuddalore:
Collector's Cutcherry,
15*th February* 1838.

(Signed) W. ASHTON,
Collector.

In addition to the numerous Testimonials on record respecting the high qualifications and good conduct of Runga Charloo the Head Sheristadar, I have much pleasure in repeating my very high opinion of his talents, industry and zeal for the Public Service.

(Signed) W. ASHTON,
Late Principal Collector.

Cuddalore, 4*th June* 1841.

wish you to accept from me as a parting gift on my leaving the District. It will shew you that I appreciate your character as a high servant of Government, and that I value the aid which you afford-ed me when Collector of the District. Your knowledge of Revenue business and perfect acquaintance with South Arcot, made your assistance always useful to me; but it was more especially so when considering measures for revising the assessment; and I hope we shall both soon have the satisfaction of seeing the District increase in prosperity under the lighter Land Tax * * * * You will derive happiness from seeing the District flourish, under measures of improvement to which you have given important aid.

Mr. Hall, who seems to have just assumed charge, will soon receive the sanction of Government for proceeding to modify the assessment in the Hooloos Talooks; and he will find your aid valuable in arranging the details, and in extending a similar reduction for the 2 southern Talooks and Cuddalore. I will not however write on that subject to-day, but conclude with expressing my best wishes for your happiness.

Your well-wisher,
(Signed) E. MALTBY.

RUNGA CHARLOO.

You have asked me for a testimonial. I have much pleasure in stating that during the period I held the appointment of Sub-Collector in this District, (from 1843 to 1849) I found, on all occasions when I consulted you, that your assistance and opinions were most useful and valuable. You have always evinced the greatest readiness to afford me advice in matters connected with the Revenue of the District, and I have never, I think had reason to regret having followed that advice. I need scarcely add that I consider you a most valuable public servant.

I remain,
Your well-wisher and friend,
Cuddalore, 17*th Sept.* 1849. (Signed) D. WHITE.
To the Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo.

RUNGA CHARLOO.

In leaving South Arcot, it will be a satisfaction to me to tell you, in writing, that on all occasions when I have had your assistance in public business, I have found it most useful, and that all I

have seen of you leads me to consider your ability and experience as very valuable.

I am, your's truly,
(Signed) G. S. FORBES.

7th July.
To the Head Sheristadar.

To RUNGA CHARLOO,
Head Sheristadar, Cuddalore.

I am much obliged by your note, and it is with pleasure that I acknowledge it, and trust that you will live yet to see South Arcot flourishing and lightly assessed, and that your talents and extensive knowledge of the District may be applied to secure a just and fair settlement. Wishing you many years yet of honorable and useful employment.

I am, your's with sincere regard,
6th March 1855. (Signed) J. F. THOMAS,

I expect to quit India this day week.

Madras, 22*d April* 1857.

To M. Ry.
RUNGA CHARLOO,
Head Sheristadar of Cuddalore.

I am obliged by your note of the 20th, expressing your good wishes on my approaching return to England. I hear you purpose retiring shortly from the career of public life after your long and creditable service; and I trust you may have health long to enjoy the Pension which you have so well earned.

Your's faithfully.
(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERRY.

Madras, *5th March* 1855.

To R. Ry.
RUNGA CHARLOO.

I received your letter this day and thank you for your congratulations. I do not forget that I commenced my public service in South Arcot 21 years ago when you were Naib Sheristadar, and my first instruction in Revenue matters were chiefly from you. It has always therefore been a pleasure to me to hear your conduct so often alluded to in terms of praise by various succeeding Collectors, and it will add to your name when the present revision of assessment and the introduction of a better system are completed.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY.

Madras, 14*th April* 1859.

My Dear Friend,

I am leaving India to-day after 26 years service, and do not expect to return, and I cannot embark without writing to you as the oldest and most respected of my Native friends, to acknowledge all the assistance I have, on several occasions, received from you; and to express my hope that your retirement from the service will be with the recognition you deserve. It is now 24 years since I joined my first station, Cuddalore, as Assistant to that excellent man Mr. John Dent. You were then Nab Sheristadar, and Mr. Dent consigned me to you to teach me my business, which you did very effectually and this training in all the practicable details of Revenue duty, has been of very great advantage to me ever since. I learned more in that 4 years in South Arcot than I ever did afterwards, in the same time. It was chiefly owing to this early knowledge and experience that I have got on in the service, and I have always felt grateful to you for it.

Subsequently in 1842 when engaged in the survey and assessment in Kurnool, I received much valuable information and advice from you; and on every point on which I have since consulted. you, have found your opinions most useful.

Now that you have just retired after an honorable career, I hope Government will mark their sense of your services in some special manner.

Believe me your's very sincerely,

(Signed) W. H. Bayley.

Extract from a Speech delivered by Hon'ble Mr. Daniel Elliot,
Member of the Legislative Council.

The Sheristadars in the Madras Presidency were no more mere Accountants than the Collector was a mere tax gatherer. He would mention that he had only been a very short time ago in a Madras District in which one of the most important operations possible was going on, a reduction of the Revenue; and he had heard from the Collector how little assistance he had derived from his Assistants; indeed the Collector had remarked that he could not have gone on without the assistance of the Sheristadar. The actual position of the Sheristadar had always been seen and approved of by the Madras Government, and it was in this way that the high allowances of these officers were fixed. He would state that that

was approved of not only by Sir Thomas Munro, but by a Gentleman, one of the ablest and wisest men whom India had ever seen.

Note.—Mr. Hall mentioned to me, that these remarks had reference to the South Arcot District, as he had frequent discussions with him on various matters while he met him at Tindivanum.

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,—I have much pleasure in bringing to the Board's notice, that my Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, completed 5 years service in his present grade on the 14th Instant, and in recommending that the increased rate of salary, agreeably to the standing Rules, be awarded to him from the 15th February 1843. 22d March 1816.

In Principal Collector Dent's letter to your Board, proposing to appoint Runga Charloo to the office of Head Sheristadar, are concisely stated his merits, and he still continues to preserve that high character; and I deem it quite needless to add more than that I consider him most deserving of the favor solicited. 4th February 1833.

I have &c.,

(Signed) C. H. Hallett,
Collector.

Cuddalore, 22*d February* 1843.

Revenue Department

No 385.

Extract from Minutes of Consultation under date the 11*th April* 1843.

Read the following letter from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

Submitting a letter from the Collector of South Arcot, stating that his Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, completed 5 years service in his present grade on the 14th February last and supporting the Collector's recommendation that the increased rate of salary may be awarded to the Sheristadar from that date.

Here enter 16th March 1843, No. 123.

The Most Honorable the Governor in Council grants sanction for the payment to Runga Charloo, Head Sheristadar of South Arcot, of the increased rate of salary to which he has become entitled from the 15th February 1843. The Civil Auditor in this and in similar cases verifying the period of service upon which the increase is allowed.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. Thomas,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Fort Saint George.

20th April 1843. SIR,—In reference to the Orders of Government which accompanied the Board's Proceedings, sanctioning the increased rate of salary for my Head Sheristadar Runga Charloo, I have the honor to state, for the information of the Board and Government, that having completed his service as Head Sheristadar in my Hoozoor Cutcherry for a period of 10 years as shewn in the margin, he has become entitled to a higher salary of Pagodas 125 or Rupees 437-8-0, from the 16th Instant, according to the Orders of Government.

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From 15th February 1838 to 15th April 1847 as Head Sheristadar.	9	2
From 13th October 1834 to 14th February 1838, as Naib Sheristadar in this Cutcherry, being forty months, one fourth of which as per letter from the Board dated 6th March 1828.	0	10
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22d March 1816. I take this opportunity of expressing the high opinion I entertain of the qualification of my Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, who has always displayed the greatest activity and zeal in the discharge of all his public duties. I beg to add my testimony to that Messrs. Dent, Ashton and Hallett. of my predecessors, relative to the high and unexceptional character he continues to maintain. I have therefore much pleasure in recommending for the sanction of Government his claim to the higher rate of salary now solicited from the 16th Instant.

I have &c.,
(Signed) W. D. DAVIS,

Circuit Cutcherry:
Tindivanum,
24th April 1847.

No. 226.

Revenue Board Office,
Fo t St. George,
10th May 1847.

SIR,—I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit for the consideration and orders of the Most Noble the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from the Collector of South Arcot dated 24th Ultimo, reporting that his Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, has completed the period of service which entitle him to the salary of 125 Pagodas per mensem from the 16th Ultimo, and recommending that the same may be disbursed to him from that date.

11th April 1843. It will be observed that Runga Charloo has served 4 years and 2 months since Government sanctioned the last increase to his pay, which being added to the period (10 months) he is allowed to calculate as Naib Sheristadar, under the orders of Government dated 12th October 1827, entitles him to the 3d rate of salary or 125 Pagodas per mensem from the 16th Ultimo.

The Board are glad to observe the further testimony borne by the present Collector to the character and qualifications of M. Runga Charloo, and I have much pleasure in recommending that Mr. Davis' application, on his behalf, may be complied with.

(Signed) D. WHITE,
Acting Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

No. 587.

Extract from Minutes of Consultation under date the 17th May 1847.

Resolved that the Collector of South Arcot be authorized to pay to his Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, from the 16th April last the superior rate of Rs. 437 8-0 permensem, sanctioned by the Rule; the period of service on which this increase was allowed being verified by the Audit Office.

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERRY,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Fort Saint George.

SIR,—I have the honor to state that on the 16th Ultimo, Runga Charloo, the Head Sheristadar of this District, completed the period of service by which he becomes qualified under the Government Rules, to receive the superior salary of 150 Pagodas per mensem. In bringing this circumstance to the Board's notice, I have much gratification in alluding to the able services and high character of Runga Charloo, and requesting sanction for disbursing to him the increased rate of salary from the date above-mentioned.

A detail of Runga Charloo's services is given in the letter of my predecessor dated 24th April 1847.

I have &c.,
(Signed) E. MALTBY,
Collector.

Cuddalore, *1st May* 1852.

Extract from a report of Principal Collector Mr. ASHTON, *to the Board of Revenue, dated the 20th November* 1840, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1249.

Para. 39. The Head Sheristadar continues to afford the greatest assistance in every respect to merit my highest approbation.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th April 1841.

Para. 18. The Board also are well pleased to notice with much satisfaction the continued favorable mention of Head Sheristadar M. Runga Charriar.

Extract from a report of Collector Mr. DAVIS, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 12th March* 1845, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1253.

Para. 24. I cannot conclude without adding my testimony to that already so frequently expressed in favor of my Head Sheristadar Runga Charry, from whose experience and high attainments I have derived the greatest assistance ever since I joined this Collectorate.

Extract from Minutes of Consultation under date the 4th June 1845.

Para. 17. The high terms of approbation in which the Collector speaks of the services of Mr. D. White, Sub-Collector, and Mr. Daniell, Acting Head Assistant, is gratifying to His Lordship in Council, and no less so the favorable mention of Runga Charry and Diague Moodeliar, the Head and Naib Sheristadars respectively.

Extract from a report of Collector Mr. DAVIS, *to the Board of Revenue, on the Settlement of Fusly* 1257.

Para. 33. The zeal, energy and ability of my Head Sheristadar, Runga Charry, have frequently been brought to the notice of the Board, and are too well known to some of its Members. I have only to bear testimony to his continuing to display these good qualities. His affability of manners coupled with a sense of doing justice, has earned for him the confidence and support of his superiors, and the good will and esteem of the people generally.

Extract from a report of Collector Mr. DAVIS, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 9th February* 1850, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1258.

Para. 28. I cannot refrain from adding the following observation on behalf of my Head Sheristadar. This old and valuable servant has frequently been brought to public notice, and I feel that I would not do him justice were I to pass him over in silence. His readiness to coöperate and aid me in the performance of the general routine of duties of the District, has gained my unqualified approbation. Runga Charry is clever, zealous, and exemplary in his conduct.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th July 1850.

Para. 16. The Board are glad to observe that the Head Sheristadar Runga Charloo, continues to give satisfaction in the performance of his responsible duties.

Extract from a report from the Acting Collector Mr. WROUGHTON, *to the Board of Revenue, on the Settlement of Fusly* 1259.

Para. 2. The statements seem concise, explanatory and so self-evidently correct, that I prefer placing them on their own merits before the Board, to hazarding any lengthened remarks of my own, which can only at this late period be obtained from the Marattah Cutcherry. The high character of the Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, is a sufficient guarantee of their integrity, and I have reason to think that this Officer during the period, and in a season of adversity has not spared himself; but on the contrary, has bestowed unusual care not only in the settlement but also in the preparation of the vouchers which support it.

Extract from a report of Collector Mr. E. MALTBY, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 3d December* 1851, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1260.

Para. 39. From the Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo, I have always received that aid which I was led to anticipate from the high character which he has borne, in the estimation of the Board and my predecessors in the District.

Extract of a letter from Collector Mr. MALTBY, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 26th November* 1852, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1261.

Para. 34. I have already brought to the notice of the Board, the ability and zeal of the Head Sheristadar, Runga Charloo.

Extract of a letter from Collector Mr. MALTBY, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 19th November* 1853, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1262.

Para. 35. The Report of the Sub and Additional Collectors are forwarded for the information of the Board; and I have pleasure in recording the valuable assistance which has been afforded to me in the management of the District by the Gentlemen of the Department and the Head Sheristadar.

Extract of a letter from Collector Mr. HALL, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 30th October* 1855, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1257.

Para. 83. In conclusion it affords me much pleasure to be able to speak in favourable terms of M. Runga Charloo, the Head Sheristadar, who has assisted me in a most unwearied and assiduous manner possessing as he does a thorough knowledge of the past and present state of the District, with great intelligence and excellent ability; he has been of the utmost service to me, especially in carrying out the revision of assessment as far as it has been sanctioned.

Extract of a report from Collector Mr. HALL, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 4th October* 1856, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1265.

Para. 102. In regard to M. Runga Charloo, Head Sheristadar of the District, I can but repeat what I said of him in para. 83 of my Report for Fusly 1264. He has given me no reason to think that I then overstated his value as a public servant, or over-estimated his abilities or zeal, but on the contrary has afforded me continued grounds to believe the terms of praise in which I then spoke of him were no stronger than he deserved.

Extract of a letter from Collector Mr. HALL, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 25th September* 1857, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1266.

Para. 109. M. Runga Charloo, the Head Sheristadar, has continued to afford me great satisfaction. He is as the Board are aware a highly valuable public servant, possessing as he does an intimate acquaintance with the Revenue History of the District, great abilities and strict uprightness of character.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th August 1858.

Para. 17. The Board have pleasure in expressing their gratification of Mr. Hall's management of the District during the year under review, and in observing the high terms in which he notices the exertions of his European subordinates and the Head Sheristadar.

To M. RUNGA CHARLOO.

Extract from a letter of Acting Collector Mr. G. N. TAYLOR, *to the Board of Revenue, dated 1st October* 1858, *on the Settlement of Fusly* 1267.

Para. 61. To the great local knowledge and invaluable experience of M. Runga Charloo, the Head Sheristadar, I am much indebted; his indefatigable zeal and industry have, notwithstanding his advancing years, been as conspicuous as ever.

Copy of the sentiments recorded by Mr. G. N. TAYLOR, *Acting Collector, in the Uncovenanted Service Register Book.*

During the time I have had charge of South Arcot District, viz. from 1st October 1857 to 18th November 1858, I have found M. Runga Charloo all that he is described to be in numerous Testimonials which he possesses from former Collectors. I have much pleasure in recording my entire satisfaction at the manner in which his duties have been conducted and my appreciation of the assistance he has afforded me in the administration of the District.

(Signed) G. N. TAYLOR,
Acting Collector.

18th November 1858.

Nellore, *15th June* 1859.

You ask me, Runga Charloo, to add my opinion of you to those recorded by previous Officers under whom you have served. Your character stands too high and your services have been too well appreciated to render such expression either necessary or at all likely to enhance what has been already recorded by others on the subject. As you wish it, albeit, I have real pleasure in recording the invaluable and unequivocal satisfaction afforded by you during the time I held the office of Collector of South Arcot. Had I remained there it was my *full intention* to have recommended you, on retirement, for some special mark of the approval of Government, an honor which I believe to have been merited by you and which it will afford me sincere gratification to learn your having received.

Heartily wishing you many years enjoyment of your honorably earned Pension and position.

Believing me to be sincerely your friend,

(Signed) J. RATLIFF.

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Rangáchárulu [Mom.]

MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE THE PRESIDENT.

Instances of faithful, able, valuable service, such as this, are not of frequent occurrence; and it is both our duty and interest to distinguish them by a proper reward. I think we should recommend [redacted] to the Secretary of State for a special pension of 400 Rupees a month (viz. 99 Rupees in excess of the pension which he receives under the ordinary rules), with the reversion of one-fourth part, or 100 Rupees, to his Nephew and heir; and in the event of our recommendation being complied with, a suitable title might be conferred upon him.

(Signed) C. E. TREVELYAN.

Gindi 22d October 1859.

Exd. H. M. Elliot.

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Minute by the Honorable
the President

Instances of faithful, able,
valuable service, such as this, are not
of frequent occurrence, and it is
both our duty and interest to dis-
tinguish them by a proper reward.
I think we should recommend
Rangáchárí to the Secretary of State
for a Special Pension of 100 rupees a
month (viz 99 rupees in excess of the
pension which he receives under the
ordinary rules), with the reversion of
one fourth part, or 100 rupees, to his Nephew
and Heir, and in the event of our recommenda-
tion being complied with, a suitable Title
might be conferred upon him.

(Signed) C. E. Trevelyan

Simla 22d October, 1859.

Minute by the Honorable
Mr Morehead.

As Rungah Carloo undoubtedly was the person who really effected the revision of the Appointment of South Arcot, the results of which are now marked with so much success, I would suggest that his pension be fixed at the full amount of his salary.

The grant of 100 pagodas to his Nephew his heir - is sufficient. I concur with the President in his suggestion that a title should be conferred on Rungah Charloo.

(Signed) W. Morehead.

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Minute by the
Hon. the President
Dated 29th Jan. 1858

Recommends that
Rungah Carloo be
recommended for
a Special Pension
of 100 Rs a month
with the reversion
of one fourth part to
his heir and that
a suitable title
might be conferred
on him.

No 107.

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Revenue 1859 Reference Proc. Fort St. Geo.

No 2056

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Dated 9th November 1859.

Read the following Minute of the Honorable Mr Morehead

MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE Mr. MOREHEAD.

As Rangáchárlu undoubtedly was the person who really effected the revision of the assessment of South Arcot, the results of which are now marked with so much success, I would suggest that his pension be fixed at the full amount of his salary.

The grant of 100 to his Nephew his heir, is sufficient. I concur with the President in his suggestion that a title should be conferred on Rangáchárlu.

(Signed) W. MOREHEAD.

I concur with Mr Morehead.

(Sgnd) Pat: Grant.

On reconsideration, I agree with Mr Morehead that my proposal was insufficient. The merits of the case would not, in my opinion, be adequately met without the grant of a Pension equal to the whole of the Salary last received by Rangachárú --

(Sgnd) C. E. Trevelyan

30. November 1859.

Exd. H. M. Elliot.

Revenue Department

No. 1527

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 9th November 1859.

Read the following

papers.

From the Actg Secy to the Bd of Revr.

Submitting for the favorable consideration of Government the claims of Rangáchárlu late Head Sheristadar of South Arcot for a superannuation pension, and strongly supporting his request for a more than ordinary mark of the approbation of Govt. of his services.

(Here enter 31st Septr/59 No. 3979)

Minute by the Honorable the President --

(Here -"- 22d October 1859)

Minute by the Honorable Mr. Morehead --

(Here -"- Octr "/)

Minute by Sir H. the Commr in Mysr

(Here enter Decr/59)

Minute by the Hon. the President

(Here enter 3d Novr/59)

Resolved that the application submitted with these proceedings for a special pension to M. Rangáchárlu late Head Sheristadar of the District of South Arcot be forwarded to

Revenue Department

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of 10th Novr 1859 No 65

From the Secy to the Bd of Revr

No 2104.

Submitted by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief's Secy

Encloses with the Memorial of Rangáchárlu late Head Sheristadar of South Arcot that the Govt. sanction the Revision of Rangáchárlu's Fixed amount of Pay from Rupees 40 to Rupees 50 per mensem.

Rupees 2102.

Minute by the Hon. the President

Dated 4th November 1859.

No 1810 C.P. & 107 B.

Or. a recommendation agreeable with the Minute of the President

Secy of Revenue Board

&c. &c.

to the Secretary of
State for India by the
next mail, with the
strong recommendation
of this Government
that in consideration
of the faithful and
able services render-
ed by the Applicant
during so many years,
a full pension of
700 Rupees a month
may be granted
to him for his life,
with a reversion of
one hundred Rupees
per mensem to his
grand nephew and
heir for his life -

2 In the event
of their recommendation
being complied with,
the Government will
confer a suitable
Title on Rungáchárlu.

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Pro: of the Madras Govt
Dtd 9th Novr 59.

Application of Ml. Ram.
gd Chârulu late Head
Sheristadar of South Circt
to be forwarded to the Secy.
of State recommending
that a full pension of 700
Rupees may be granted
to him with a reversion
of 100 Rs to his heir.

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