

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	<i>481</i>	Press Mis.
Dated	<i>7-4-</i>	<i>1859</i>

Not to be folded or roughly handled

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 12th April 1859.

No. 11. Read the following letter from C. THEROOVENCATA Charry, Officiating Uncovenanted Assistant to the Director Revenue Settlement; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Nungumbacum, 29th March 1859.

SIR,

I most respectfully beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 26th March, informing me of my appointment to a Deputy Collectorship in Chingleput, and to express my heartfelt thankfulness for the generosity of our benign Government.

I am ready and prepared to enter on the duties of the appointment, but I am given to understand that Mr. Newill has since raised objections to my doing so at once on the ground that my services are required for a few months more in his office in which I am sorry to say I had the misfortune of being made to hold a temporary appointment.

I beg most respectfully to submit for the favorable consideration of Government my reasons for being relieved from the post at once or immediately after the end of April if not earlier according to the final arrangement proposed by Mr. Newill in his Proceedings 18th October last as all the requisite information he expects from me to wind up his report on the Settlement of South Arcot talooks may be furnished by the time.

He was pleased of his own accord to invite me to the post of Uncovenanted Assistant under him; while thanking him for his kindness, I more than once expressed my inability and unwillingness to accept his offer. He repeated it and at last I was induced to accept it in May last on the express condition that at the end of six months, I might be free to return to my permanent post at South Arcot, if I wished so to do. After I joined his department, I repeatedly gave him to understand that I fully and firmly intended to return to South Arcot at the end of the six months. This I did in person, by the medium of gentlemen, and lastly by letter of the 20th September last, in order that he might have ample time and opportunity to enable him to select a successor. Nevertheless it pleased him to arrange with the Collector of South Arcot to detain me for a further period of six months, which he then said would be the extremest limit of my stay in the department to effect the Settlement of the Southern Talooks of South Arcot of which he now promises to submit his report shortly to Government as will be seen from the enclosed copies of the correspondence.*

* 3 in No.

Even during the latter 6 months, I often begged to be permitted to return to my duties but was assured that I would be soon relieved. This and the fact of his enquiries after a successor for me induced me to hold on.

The expense, difficulties and annoyances of a travelling life and other inconveniences of continuing in my present office under him are too great for me, and I have suffered both in health and pecuniary circumstances, I have hitherto borne all this in the hope of being speedily relieved from the harassing post.

Under these circumstances, I most humbly but not less earnestly pray that you will be pleased to lay this address before the Honorable the Governor in Council for his favorable consideration and obtain for me the permission of Government to assume the duties of the new office in Chingleput which it has pleased it to confer on me at once.

Hoping the Government will be pleased to grant my prayer and pardon me for this intrusion.

From C. THEROOVENCATA Charry, Officiating Uncovenanted Assistant; to H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement, dated Guntoor 20th February 1858.

MOST HONORED SIR,

As the term of my leave will be over by the end of next month I am induced to address the following few lines on the subject of the final decision I have come to as regards my

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 12th April 1859.

joining permanently your establishment. I must first of all thank you for the good intention you were pleased to shew to promote my welfare by kindly offering me a situation of an Uncovenanted Assistant under you notwithstanding all my hesitations and backwardness either to apply for or to take up the appointment, also for the kindness with what your goodness was pleased to allow me time to enable me to give it a fair trial before coming to a final conclusion without prejudice to my permanent appointment at South Arcot.

I have had now sufficient time allowed to judge of the requirements of the new office which I now temporarily fill, and during the six months probation I have had ample opportunity to see the thing in all its bearings, and the result is I am sorry to say most unfavorable than I first anticipated.

The enormous expenses of travelling hundreds of miles, the great many inconveniences and unbounded trouble attending the journey are far greater than I have imagined in the first instance. Besides, I am sorry that my circumstances as well as health do not admit of my taking up the expensive and arduous appointment which requires constant travelling into distant Districts with advantage to Government and credit to myself. I would be quite happy to avail myself of your goodness' kind offer had it been in my power to do so, but on the contrary I find myself entirely incompetent to hold it. Under these circumstances, I am neither prepared nor willing to remain attached to the department any longer. I have arrived at the above conclusion after a mature and prayerful consideration of the results of my experience during my probation; the requirements of the appointment are such as likely to suit better more fit and able men than myself. It is therefore nothing but natural on my part to wish, as I have already intimated to your goodness, to return to my post at Cuddalore, and most respectfully and earnestly request that your goodness will be pleased to allow me to do so before the expiration of the terms.

I beg further that your goodness will be kind enough to favor me with leave for a few days more in addition to the time I may be allowed to have to join my permanent post at Cuddalore, in order to enable me to visit my village where my presence is urgently and unavoidably required to make necessary arrangement to carry on the cultivation, &c., of my little farm, and wish to be allowed to leave your office from the 15th of next month. I would in the meanwhile beg you to favor me with the last pay certificate, &c.

No. 574.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Director of Revenue Settlement.

* Dated 20th Ultimo.

Read the following Petition* from C. Theroovengada Charry, Officiating Uncovenanted Assistant, complaining of the inconveniences of travelling with the Director's establishment, and soliciting permission to return to his permanent incumbency of the Sub-Division Serishtadarship in South Arcot.

(Here enter No. .)

6. The Director resolves to communicate the above proposition to the Acting Collector of South Arcot with the request that he will be good enough for the reasons set forth to allow Theroovengada Charry to continue on the same footing as before in this office until the Settlement is completed of the Talooks classified in the season which has now closed, and a successor is found to supply his place. The Director contemplates that the Settlement will be completed within a few months from this time, say six at the furthest, and trusts the Acting Collector will find no inconvenience in complying with the requisition now made, and for which extended favor the Director will stand much indebted to him.

REVENUE SETTLEMENT OFFICE,
Madras,
18th October 1858.

(Signed) H. NEWILL,
Director of Revenue Settlement.

No. 491.

Official Memorandum.

The Acting Collector of South Arcot begs to inform the Director of Revenue Settlement in reference to his Proceedings dated the 18th Instant, that he is quite welcome to the services

24

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 12th April 1859.

of Tiroovengadacharloo for the additional 6 months during which they are stated to be required. To prevent inconvenience to the officers who are employed during Tiroovengadacharloo's absence, the Acting Collector would request timely intimation of the exact date, as soon as it can be determined, upon which Tiroovengadacharloo will resume his post of Sub-Division She-restadar.

SOUTH ARCOT,
Collector's Cutcherry, Cuddalore, }
21st October 1858.

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

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, No. 481; dated 7th April 1859.

Referred to the Board of Revenue, with reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation of dated March 30, 1859, No. 428.

(Signed) M. NORMAN,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

