Madras Record office.

Government of Madras.

Revenue Department

G. C. No. 533.

Dated. 19. H. 1859.

Not to be folded or roughly handled.

No. 19. Read the following Petition from Hajee Mahomed CASSIM:

Requesting to order re-issue of his pension of Rupees 2½ per mensem with arrears from the date of its suspension. } (Here enter 15th March 1859.)

No. 20. ORDER THEREON, No. 533; dated 14th April 1859.

On a review of the circumstances of this case, the Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to sanction the continuance of Petitioner's pension, and orders that all arrears from the date of its suspension be paid to him.

The orders of Government, No. 727, dated 6th July 1840, together with all subsequent orders bearing on this subject are hereby cancelled.

(Signed) W. C. SIM,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

To

THE RIGHT HONORABLE GEORGE LORD HARRIS,

Governor in Council of Fort St. George.

The Petition of HAJEE MAHOMED CASSIM

HUMBLY SHEWETH,

That your Petitioner is a Merchant of this City, who, during the past thirty years, has been travelling over many parts of Europe, Africa and Asia, attending to his business of a Merchant, and earning his own and his family's livelihood. In that duty, your Petitioner has made many journies, in all of them cheered with the consciousness of doing his duty to his family, and since his wanderings began, has visited London once ; Paris once ; Constantinople four times ; Cairo eight times ; Mecca six times ; Bombay, Calcutta and Trichinoply each about twenty times ; has travelled through Hyderabad, Nagpore, Indore, Gwalior, Benares, and has twice been to Dehli ; and he feels confident that every English gentleman, not only of this City but all whom Petitioner has met in his journeyings, would bear testimony to the correctness of Petitioner's conduct in private life, in his mercantile dealings, and as a subject of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen. And Petitioner submits this with the sole object of satisfying your Lordship that in his own sphere, Petitioner by frequent and prolonged journies to remote countries has endeavoured during his long life to earn his own and his children's bread in a suitable manner, and to be able to explain that while absent on one of his mercantile journies, while wholly ignorant of the introduction of a rule relating to pensions left undrawn by absentees, Petitioner's pension of Rupees 2½ per mensem was unavoidably and necessarily left by him undrawn, and when Petitioner returned to Madras, and applied for its re-issue with arrears, the Collector of Madras, acting up to the new rule which had been introduced in Petitioner's absence, declined compliance with Petitioner's request.

Since that time, Petitioner on several occasions of his returning from one or other of his long journies has petitioned for the re-issue of his pension, but hitherto without success.

Therefore, your Petitioner now respectfully submits his case for your Lordship's gracious consideration. Often unavoidably absent for long periods into far countries, diligently employed in earning his livelihood, and in all his wanderings proud of knowing himself to be a British subject, Petitioner may hope that his case be not judged on rules ordinarily applied to those of his countrymen, who select to dwell in this City without a desire to bestir themselves for their own good, and that your Lordship in Council will recognize that Petitioner did only praiseworthily and right, in not sitting down in idleness to live on his pension of Rupees 2½ per mensem, and that his case merits the most favorable consideration of Government : and in now enclosing for ready reference all former applications, Petitioner confidently hopes that your Lordship in Council will believe that when the rule was passed, lapsing the undrawn pensions of absentees, Petitioner was absent on his legitimate business, continued ignorant thereof until his return to Madras, and Petitioner having on previous occasions of absence been permitted on his return to draw the pension with arrears, he was justified in assuming that the practice would be adhered to on that occasion also. Petitioner therefore prays that your Lordship in Council may graciously be pleased to order reissue of his pension of Rupees 2½ per mensem with arrears from the date of its suspension. Petitioner prays early orders on his case, as he is now meditating another journey to a distant country.

MADRAS,
15th March 1859.

Revenue 1859 Dept.
Dto Covs: 19 March 59.
No 636

From Hajee Mahomed Cassim -

Dated 15th March
Recd 19th March 1859
With 2 enclosures

J. E. No. 533 - 11th April 1859

No 19.

Requesting to order re-issue of his pension of Rs 2 1/2 per mensem with arrears from the date of it's suspension -

Madras 10th February 1845.

To.

S. A. Huddleston Esquire,
Collector of
Madras

Sir,

About four years ago I addressed you on the subject of my Pension or allowance granted to me by Government as a Legatee of the late Mahomed Abdullah, as per Certificate No[illegible] to which I received no satisfactory reply. Urgent private affairs at that time called me away from Madras, and having been carried by business from country to country, I could not ere this address you again on the subject. I now beg to call your attention to it; the arrears of Pension due to me, is from 12th July 18[illegible] to 11th January 1845. being 30 Kists @ 7½ Rupees per Kist, amounting to Rupees 225. which Sum I beg you will kindly order to be paid to me.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedt. Servt.
Mahomed Cassim

Madras 25th February 1845.

To

The Most Noble George
Marquis of Tweeddale K.T. & C.B.
Governor in Council
&c. &c. &c.
Fort St. George.

My Lord,

I beg respectfully to bring to your Lordship's notice that about 25 years ago Government allowed the Legatees of the late Mahomed Ali a certain Pension, a portion or Share of which came as one of the Legatees, at 2½ Rupees per month or 7½ Rupees per Rich, this allowance I continued to receive for many years in arrear of various periods varying from 9 to 18 Months. I had occasion myself in the year 1838 to proceed to Bombay, where having fallen ill I was obliged to remain till my health was restored, in consequence of which I did not return to Madras till 1840, when on applying to the Collector of Madras for the arrears of my Pension I was refused, on the grounds that I had not given sufficient reason for

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No 6598.

Collector in Council
to the Govt. Secretary
dated the 10th Feb. 1845
Requesting orders
to the Petitioner
Mr Ameer of Pensioner Peshkar
225 due to Petitioner
Madras

Petitioner in Person
to the Govt. Secretary dated the 5th Ult. Requesting
on the Petitioner
being by Clause 4 of the
grounds upon which
the Petitioner
Collector
Madras 13th Feb. 1845
T. S.
Collector

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Dated 13th February 45
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for my long absence from Madras. Just then
my Lord again called away on very urgent
private business to Bombay, from whence I was
compelled to go to Europe, considering my Lord that
an allowance granted to me by Government would
be perfectly safe, and as I had been in the habit of
drawing it in arrears, I did not think it necessary
to appoint another to receive the allowance for me
during my absence, I therefore beg your Lordship
will order the payment of the arrears of my pension
due to me. Should I hereafter have occasion to leave
the Presidency, which from the nature of my avocations
not occasion to do, I trust your Lordship may
that an allowance or income of Rs
Month during the non enjoyment of itself to defray
with a large family of the Presidency, I shall
appoint some person to receive my pension, as this
my Lord I would have done before if I was informed
by the Collector that such a step was necessary.
awaiting your Lordships favorable reply

I have the honor to remain

My Lord

Your Lordships most humble Obedt Servant

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Judge Canara Mahomed.

No 257 of 1845

From Hajee
Mahomed
Cassim.-

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To

The Right Honorable G. J. R. Harris
Governor in Council Vce Vce &c
Fort St. George

My Lord

I beg respectfully to bring to your Lordships Notice that about 37 Years ago Government allowed the Legatees of the late Abdul my Father a certain Pension, a portion of which fell to me, as one of the Legatees, at 12½ Rupees per Month, or 75 Rupees per Fasl, this allowance, I continued to receive for many years, in this interval having had urgent private Affairs to attend to, and on proceeding to perform them [illegible] to pass through Cairo, Constantinople and other parts of the Country, during which period I was taken ill and was not able to return to the Presidency, after some time elapsed— On my arrival at Madras, not being aware of any Orders having been issued, subsequent to my having quitted Madras, I addressed a letter on the 5th of August 1840, as ordinarily (of the preceding time) solicited for the arrears of my Stipend which was due to me, it was granted and given without the least hesitation and delay, but on the above date, the letter addressed to the Collector was returned to me with an endorsement on it, almost similar as follows— "That Government have declined to sanction the payment thereof, for it is not explained that the delay arose from illness or from any other cause over which, I had no control" Whereupon, I addressed another letter on the assigning the reason of my delay in claiming for the arrears of the Stipend due to me, that too, was returned to me, referring me to the above Endorsement— After the elapse of some time, I

I proceeded to London and made known the case to my friends there, and was advised by them to represent the matter to the then Governor of Madras, the Most Noble George Marquis of Tweedale, K.C.I. & C.B. as there is every probability of obtaining my Arrears of Stipend due to me by Government being a paltry and Scanty Sum — whereupon on my arrival at Madras, I made my appeal to the said Most Noble Marquis and it was returned to me without neither sanctioning the Arrears nor a continuance of it to be paid to me up to this period.

Therefore, and on being informed that your Lordship is of a generous and bountiful mind, and is willing to render justice and bestow to every one their just due and rights upon the ground and confidence of which, I make this appeal I beseech of your Lordship, that your Lordship will be graciously pleased to cause not only the Arrears from the date of my first application to the Collector, but a continuance of it to be granted up till present juncture which the bountiful Government granted to me — though I obtain an earning through my industry and great hardship, for which act of benificence I will ever feel thankful and obliged to your Lordship, and acknowledge the same with heartfelt gratitude and respect while

I remain — My Lord

Your Lordships

Most Obedient humble

& grateful Servant

Hajee Mahomed Cassim

Madras
26 July 1857

To
J. Huddleston Esq.re
Collector of
Madras

Sir,

I beg to bring to your Notice, that since my having left Madras to Bombay, have not drawn my Share or portion of Pension granted by Government as per Certificate No. 1 and therefore beg to request, that you will be pleased to order the Arrears to be paid to me. as one of the Legatee of the late Mahomed Abdullah named in the above mentioned Certificate -

I further beg to inform you, that I have always been accustomed to draw my portion or Share at different periods when in Arrears, and considering myself, that the Gift given by Government is in safety, induced me to remain in tranquil during the time I were at out Stations on private affairs - Your Kindly Conceding to this my request, shall evince it with gratitude -

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most Obed.t Humble
Servant -

Madras —
18th May 1840

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Mahomed Cawsin -
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No 1036 ½

Mahomed Cawdin

Dated 18th May 1840

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Requesting to enter the arrear of Pension drawn by him as Collector of Ongole

To

J. Huddleston Esqre

Collector

of the Guntoor

Madras

Dated 18th May 1840
Entered 5th Augt 1840

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Petitioner having apparently with a view to suit his own convenience (for it is not explained that the delay arose from illness or from any other cause over which he had no control) neglected to attend within the prescribed period, and had allowed nearly three years to elapse before he appears to claim the arrears of his Stipend, Government have declined to sanction the payment thereof.

From acting Civil Auditor 13th July 1840

W. Brooke
Acty Collector

Madras
5th August 1840.

Exd. L Hunter

To,

J. A. Huddleston Esqre.

Acting Collector of

Madras.

Sir,

With reference to the endorsement on my Petition addressed to you dated 18th May last. I beg respectfully to state, that very urgent busines of a private nature connected with my family rendered it absolutely necessary for me to proceed to Bombay, where I have been detained much longer than I expected. And considering that my monthly allowance to be perfectly safe, I took no steps all this while to appoint any one to receive it for me - and as I on several occasions did receive my allowance in arrears I expected the same indulgence would be granted to me this time also - Under these circumstances I earnestly solicit the favor that you will be pleased to order the payment of my arrears to be made as has been done hitherto - If deemed necessary I shall make future occasions when I may have business to proceed any where to intimate to you the same

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obed[t] and

humble Servant.

Madras -
24th Aug[t] 1840.

Mahomed Cawsin -

Petition

N° 915 of 1859

From Hajee Mahomed Cassim, a merchant of Madras.

Praying for early orders for the re-issue of his pension of 2 1/2 Rs per mensem, with arrears, from the date of its suspension, and submitting former petitions on the subject.

Mr Morehead's minute on N° 954 is sent on circulation with the accompanying order.

Returned under para 4 of the Petition Rules.

J. C. Sims

Assuming that Hajee Muhammed Cásim is a person of respectable character and that he has kept his claim alive by frequent applications since the arrear first commenced I agree with Mr Morehead Muhammed Cásim ought not to be dismissed because he has endeavoured to improve his circumstances by honest industry & adventure, instead of resting content with the pittance of 2 1/2 rupees a month

The Petr is to receive 90 Rupees monthly to his pension and the arrears which have accumulated are to be paid to him in convenient pattas to be paid to him at once.

Read 24th Aug. 1840
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24th August 1840

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Requesting the arrears of his allowance

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15th Sept. 1840.

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Haji Mohammad's
representation to be true
quite correct - I have
some knowledge of
him and believe
him to be perfectly re
-liable [illegible]

I understand Haji
Mahomed is to
have his passport
returned to him
by Jemadar Ameer
Ali

[illegible]

No. 533.

Extract from the Minit. of Court.
Under date the 14 April 1859

In a review of the circumstances of this case the Honble the Govr in Council is pleased to sanction the continuance of Petitioners pension, and orders that all arrears from the date of its suspension be paid to him.

The orders of Govt No 72, dated 6th July 1840, together with all subsequent orders bearing on this subject are hereby cancelled.

H Elliot

Copy to the Collr of Madras Dated 15th
1 — " — " Accountt Genl "
1 — " — " Chief Audr "
2 — " — " Sec Dept Revd

Revenue 1859 Dept^t.
D^o to Cons: 19^th April

No 533.

Extract Min^s of Cons:
D^d 14^th April 59.

Sanctioning the continuance of pension to the Petitioner Hajee Mahomed Cassim, ordering the payment to him of all arrears from the date of its suspension and cancelling the order of Government No 727 of 6^th July 1840 with all subsequent orders on the subject.

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