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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 20*th February* 1861.

No. 286. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th January 1861, No. 507:—

Read again letter from the Collector of South Canara, dated 3rd September 1860, No. 146.

(In Cons. 10th September 1860, No. 4,526.)

Read also again letter from the same Officer, dated 29th September 1860, No. 164.

(In Cons. 6th October 1860, No. 5,044.)

Read also again letter from the same Officer, dated 1st December 1860, No. 203.

(In Cons. 8th December 1860, No. 6,410.)

Read also the following letter from the same Officer, dated Mangalore, 5th January 1861 No. 4:—

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Board, dated the 17th December last, No. 5,924, I have the honor to state that the pensioned female, Patama, wife of Amoo, is a Moplah, and therefore of the Mahomedan religion. The names of Moplahs generally differ from those of other Mussalmen.

2. As regards the privileges of Gosha, females of the Moplah caste are considered to be entitled to them on this coast. Patama is the widow of a Peon, and from what I learn she has always lived a secluded life.

Under the peculiar circumstances of the case, which call for every consideration, the Board will recommend to Government that the name of the widow Patama be added to the List of Female Pensioners enjoying the privilege of being held "Gosha."

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 287. ORDER THEREON, 20th February 1861, No. 400.

1. The Board recommend that one Patama a Moplah, and a female pensioner on Rupees 4 per mensem since 1837, when her husband who was a Police Peon, died in the Government service during the Coorg insurrection, should in order to enable her to commûte her pension be enrolled in the List of Pensioners enjoying the privilege of being held "Gosha."

2. It appears from the Collector's report that both from custom of caste and habits of life, the applicant is entitled to the privilege sought, and the Government therefore grant the required permission.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 4,214.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 17th September 1860.

Read the following letter from J. FRASER, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Mangalore, 3rd September 1860, No. 146:—

1. Under the provisions of the Board's Circulars, dated 5th April 1859, No. 1,205, and 28th March 1860, No. 1,507, I have the honor to submit for the sanction of Government a case of a secluded Pensioner,* who is desirous of having her pension commuted for a ready-money payment.

* Putami, widow of Ammoo, a Peon.

2. The Pensioner holds a certificate as per margin, and is in the receipt of a pension of 4 Rupees per month, or Rupees 48 per annum. Her age, computed from the entries in the certificate where it is given at 30 years on the 8th August 1837, the date of that document, now amounts to 53 years; and according to the commutation rate she would be entitled to nine times the annuity now enjoyed by her, or Rupees 432.

No. 30, dated 8th August 1837.
Government sanction, 21st June 1837.

$48 \times 9 = 432$.

3. The woman has appeared both before the Duffadar of my Cutcherry and the Monegar of Mangalore Taluq, and both report her to be 60 years of age, judging from her present appearance. If this be her correct age, she would be entitled to only Rupees 384.

$48 \times 8 = 384$.

4. I request the orders of Government regarding her case.

The Collector should endeavor to discover whether there is any reason to suppose that the entry in the Register is erroneous. The Board presume he is quite satisfied of the identity of the Pensioner, who, they suppose, receives her allowance from the late Native Pension Fund.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary.

To J. Fraser, Esq., Collector of South Canara.

Exd. J. Wright.

Enclosure No. 1 in the Pro: of the Board of Revenue to the Secretary to Govt. N. D. dated 29th Sept. 1861 No. 507.

P. 298/61.

Letter from the Collr. of South Canara to the Secy. to the Board of Revenue dated 3d September 1860 No. 144b. regarding the case of a deceased pensioner & Bd's Pro: thereon

In Con. 6th October 1860, No. 5,014.

From J. FRASER, Esq., Collector of SOUTH CANARA,
dated Mangalore, 29th September 1860, No. 164.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board, dated 17th instant, No. 4,214, I have the honor to state for their information, that there are no means to discover the real age of the pensioned widow therein alluded to, as it is not usual with Mahomedans here to keep any record of births, &c. From her present appearance there is strong reason to believe, that her age, as given in the Pension Certificate, is not correct.

2. The identity of the widow has been satisfactorily ascertained; she does not receive her pension from the late Native pension fund, as supposed by the Board, but it is a special allowance granted in consequence of her husband, who was a Police Peon, having died in the Government service, during the Coorg insurrection in 1837.

Exd. T. Dunn.

No. 5,924.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 17th December 1860.

Read the following letter from J. FRASER, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Mangalore, 1st December 1860, No. 203:—

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Board, dated 7th November, No. 5,153, I have the honor to forward a Medical Certificate from the Officiating Zillah Surgeon on the state of the health of pensioned female Putama, referred to therein.

2. The Zillah Surgeon is further of opinion that the pensioned widow is 60 years of age.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Medical Certificate.

1. The Board observe that the orders of Government for commutation of Pensions are restricted to cases of Rupees 20 per annum, save in the cases of "Gosha" females, or Hindu ladies of rank, who are not in the habit of appearing in public, in which cases the limit is extended to Rupees 20 per mensem.

2. In this case the amount of the Pension brings it within the latter category; but it seems doubtful whether a Peon's wife can be considered of the rank entitled to claim the privileges of Gosha. Moreover "Putama, wife of Amoo," does not sound like a Musselman designation, but the Board are aware that this criterion cannot be relied on in the Western Coast. The Collector himself stated that it was doubtful whether the age of the applicant was correctly stated, but this point the Board have waived. They think it necessary, however, before recommending the case to Government, to receive an assurance from the Collector, that he is satisfied that the case is one entitled, in all respects, to the benefit of the Commutation rule.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary.

To J. Fraser, Esq., Collector of South Canara.

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No. 400

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 20th February 1861.

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Proceedings of the Board of Reven

Submitting letters from the Collector of South Canara and recommending that the name of the widow Palama be added to the list of female Pensioners enjoying the privilege of being held "Gosha"

(Here enter 29th Jany/61 No. 507)

The Board recommend that one Palama a Moplah, and a female pensioner on Rs. 4 per mensem since 1837, when her husband who was a Police peon, died in the Governt. Service during the Coorg insurrection, should in order to enable her to commute her pension be enrolled in the List of Pensioners enjoying the

privilege

Enclosure No. 3 in the Proc. of the Board of Revenue to the Secretary to Govt. R.D. dated 29th Jany. 1861 No. 507.

Encl. 1st & 2nd

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Letter from the Collr. of South Canara to the Secy. to the Board of Revenue dated 1st December 1860 No. 203. regarding the health of a Pensioner named Palama & Bd's Pro. Vureon.

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Permitting the name of a Pensioned Female in South Canara to be added to the list of those enjoying the previlege of being held "Gosha".

No 286 & 287.